



# HOLIDAY COUNTDOWN

## TOP SHELF

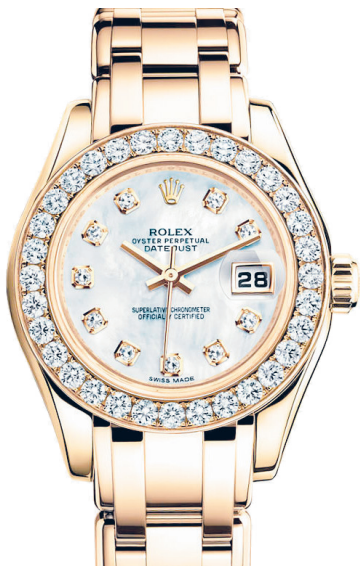
This Christmas, Lexus wants customers to “Unwrap Excitement.” It’s hard to imagine unwrapping anything more exciting than a **2014 Lexus LS 600 Hybrid L AWD (All Wheel Drive)**. With a 438-horsepower 5.0-liter V-8 engine that also gets 20 mpg thanks to its hybrid drive, the LS 600 L features every creature comfort possible, including a climate concierge that monitors and controls the environment of four zones in the car — regulating not just the air, but the seat and steering wheel temperatures. It also has a standard navigation & mobile connectivity console that controls GPS navigation and bluetooth technology. **Jim White Lexus, \$120,060.**



— Jon Chavez  
BLADE STAFF WRITER



What’s the good life without a cup of espresso? Start the day right with a java jolt made by the **DeLonghi PrimaDonna S**, one of the best bean-to-cup automatic cappuccino systems on the market. DeLonghi’s patented **AutoCappuccino system** features an automatic brewing and milk-frothing system so that at the touch of a button you can make all your favorite coffee drinks — espresso, coffee, cappuccino, latte macchiato, caffelatte, or hot milk. **Williams-Sonoma, \$3,000.**



Every watch tells time. But not every watch makes a statement. With a mother of pearl diamond dial, diamond bezel, and 18-carat gold, the **29 mm Rolex Oyster Perpetual Lady Datejust Pearlmaster** wristwatch in Everose gold and diamonds isn’t just a statement, it’s a full-blown paragraph. **David Fairclough Fine Jewelers, \$47,450.**



Cinzia Rocca creates fabulous outerwear for the fashionable and sophisticated woman, achieving a “total look” that includes coats, jackets, skirts, suits, and dresses. But the core of its collections is its “luxury outerwear,” and a signature piece is this **red pure cashmere coat** from **Cinzia Rocca’s fabric mills in Italy. Sophia Lustig Shop, \$880.**

Is someone you know enamored by history and outer space? Consider this rare gem: an **official NASA photograph of Apollo 11 Astronauts Edwin “Buzz” Aldrin, Michael Collins, and Ohio’s own Neil Armstrong**. Not only was this photo taken a short time before Apollo 11 left on its historic 1969 mission to put men on the moon, it was **signed by all three astronauts. Frogtown Books, \$15,000.**



Whether cruising the open road or just motoring to the market, your favorite rebel will thank you profusely if you get him a **Harley-Davidson Street Glide FLHX**, one of the company’s newest and more popular touring motorcycles. Sporting a classic-style fuel tank, Bat Wing fairing, hard side saddlebags that open from the top, and an 18-inch front wheel, the Street Glide has a twin cam 103 engine that puts out 1690cc’s. Available in seven colors, including three shades of black, the Street Glide is all hog. **Toledo Harley-Davidson, \$22,000.**

Remember the film *Cocktail* with Tom Cruise? In it, he made a wager, with the payoff a bottle of brandy. But not any brandy. It was **King Louis XIII Cognac** by French winemaker **Remy Martin**. Made with Grande Champagne district grapes and blended with aged eaux de vie fruit brandy, this cognac is aged in barrels hundreds of years old. Each 750 ml Baccarat Crystal bottle, depending on vintage, can **cost up to \$34,000 with the average between \$2,100 and \$3,100. Joseph’s Beverage Center, \$2,674.**



OK, what “one-percenter” wouldn’t want their own airplane for Christmas? No, not a remote-controlled toy from the mall. We’re talking a **Cessna TTX**, the fastest single-engine prop aircraft available. Sleek, stylish, and with the most advanced avionics package on the market, this composite alloy seats four, has jet-like handling, and zips along at 235 knots (or 270 mph). It’ll get you to Columbus for football in 25 minutes, or to Chicago for shopping in 80 minutes. **Suburban Aviation, Lambertville, \$780,000.**



It’s too big to wrap or put under a tree, but sportsmen and fishermen will enjoy receiving the **2014 Sport Bay 522 CR Sport Tube pontoon boat**. With a teak vinyl floor, AM/FM four-speaker stereo system, and wraparound seating, this 24-foot boat is powered by a 150-horsepower Mercury four-stroke outboard engine. It’s perfect for cruising the Maumee River in style or entertaining on northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan’s many lakes. **Brenner Marine 75, \$39,648.**



What to buy the thrill-seeker? You can give — and some already have — the ultimate gift: Cedar Point amusement park in Sandusky. Yes, if money is no object, you can rent the park and its 16 roller coasters to be enjoyed by just one person, or as many of your friends as you choose. **The daily rental** gets you admission into the place voted Best Amusement Park with all of the rides operating. Additional staff to operate games and concessions increases the rental price that starts at \$1 million, according to Tim Walsh, director of group sales. **Cedar Point, \$1,000,000-plus.**

\* Prices and availability subject to change