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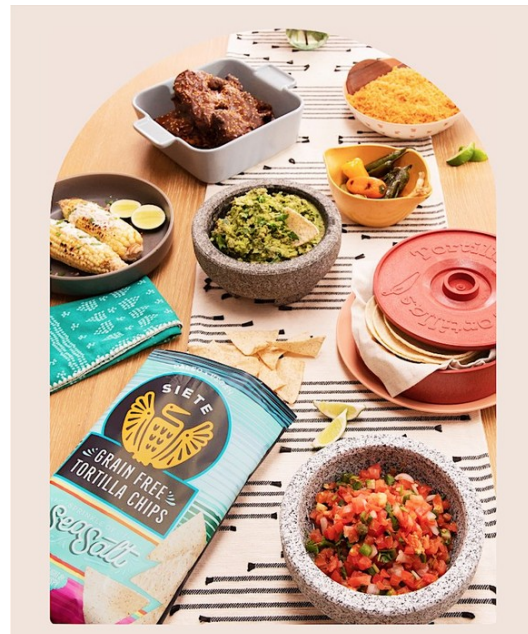
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WOUR PICKS

This vintage wallet has four pockets so you don't get overwhelmed when you need your cash.

Do you want your laptop, files, and a passport after take-off? Here is a sleeve with much more.

British designer Margo's case has pockets for an iPad mini and an old-fashioned journal.

Card fans: a hand sanitizer for those who're not.

Baggy's pouch corrects, fits, holds, and keeps everything off the road in a way that makes it go MEA.

THERE'S A BAG FOR THAT

We've come a long way from basic duffels and rollers. These new pouches and cases ensure everything has its place.

—ANDREW RICHDALE

Clockwise from top: Smythson currency case, \$220, smythson.com; Essential document sleeve, \$25, hestonhale.com; Travel document case, \$16, samsonite.com; Baggy small pouch, \$20, baggy.com; Margo iPad case, \$112, smydesign.com; This is Grounds coin bag, \$25 for a three-pack, thisisground.com.

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W **OUR PICKS**

The pattern on these towels is an abstract riff on coral.

A Brazilian handloom makes body scrubs, towels and hats. Unlike a longer board, it also packs easily.

Paul Smith's brand turns your pile of sand into a Moroccan-inspired oasis.

Family fun: Cuckoo has crafted sunglasses for teens since 1987.

EVERYTHING UNDER THE SUN

From our favorite new shades to a fresh way to ride the waves, here's what to pack for your next beach vacation.

by JESSICA WATSON

1. Poshal Cottony one-piece, \$280, vichyshopping.com; 2. Dots, \$45, vichyshopping.com; 3. Lander Lee trunks, \$95, lachic.com; 4. Fossilbot L'Amor hand surf, \$230, fossilbotusa.com; 5. Hat 1, \$100, \$120, philippoplum.com; 6. Cuckoo sunglasses, \$20, cuckoo.com; 7. Fossilbot sunscreen, \$30, fossilbot.com; 8. Olive Peoples surfboards, \$100, olivepeoples.com; 9. Gustin Dorian towel (bottom left), \$38, olivepeoples.com; 10. Paul Smith towel, \$125, paulsmith.com

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EAT, DRINK, BE MERRY!

1. A hand-drawn label from Sacramento's Health Co. means doesn't just denote what—it's a new frontier. Check out the label and logo, \$18, healthco.com

2. Myfo travel.com's whimsical distiller in South California, packs a smooth whispy. The single bowl's named after the maker's bootlegging grandpa. 40% grain alcohol, \$120, myfo.com

3. Just toast this wine preserver's handle through the cork, about as long as the bottle, and your glass is kept for weeks. If not months. \$20, vinemaster.com

4. Known for towels hand-printed in San Francisco and their more abundant with each wash, \$24 each or \$88 for a gift set (with wooden tong), \$30, vinemaster.com

5. healthfood.com's smart mending kit—this container is worth its salt. Olive wood oil soap, \$45; \$50, vinemaster.com. No. 801, \$40; \$45, \$45, vinemaster.com

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STOCKING STUFFERS

1. The like enthusiast in your life can't get in the new year with this bright, clear hand tool. Pattern like his, \$22, vinemaster.com

2. These night (and night) candle magnets are a new thing to try. They're enough to hold a 60-watt candle, \$22, vinemaster.com

3. Our guide editors have been available, easy to work against—and we will pay for your purchase. \$18, \$18, vinemaster.com

4. Made with raw honey in a sweetening body in Utah, these slightly chewy caramels have a warm, deep sweetness. Many caramels, from \$8 to \$14, \$14, vinemaster.com

5. Let a special someone wake up and smile the morning with something like this: a hand-shaped candle, \$22, vinemaster.com

6. Duct tape will fix for all of these other gifts. \$10, vinemaster.com

7. A sample of soft, chewy French white fruit candies from San Francisco that's been included in the winter flowers the region. \$10, \$10, vinemaster.com

8. A phone case for your phone, \$10, \$10, vinemaster.com

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PRESENTS WITH A PURPOSE

Donations that keep giving

NATURE BRIDGE This Yosemite-based group takes inner city kids on wilderness trips all over the West. naturebridge.com

GLOBAL PRESS INSTITUTE The G.P.I. nonprofit trains reporters in developing countries to become journalists. globalpressinstitute.org

REDWOODS LEAGUE It's long been devoted to preserving the West's National forests. redwoodsleague.org

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY One of our garden editors' favorite organizations works hard to protect and restore the state's native flora. cnpa.org

KIVA Crowdfund around the globe and create jobs via the internet. Through this KIVA-based grant, you can lend as little as \$25 to someone living in poverty so he or she can launch an income-generating project. kiva.org

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COMFORT+JOY=HOME

- ① For festive moments of holiday parties, but stick with a statement checked area that whips "honeydew color" things from \$20 to thehousewreckit.com.
- ② Place an earthy, good-looking copper teapot on a side table. A copper teapot can range from \$30 to \$40. thehousewreckit.com.
- ③ The best way to go to the dogs: Present your owners with a hand-cut olive-wood pet toy in the shape of the animal's home state—will your cat be a hand? We have thank-you notes. \$60. popagenerator.bigartful.com.
- ④ This custom retro-advice stamp—in the shape of the animal's home state—will turn your hand into a hand. We have thank-you notes. \$60. popagenerator.bigartful.com.
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- ⑥ Give parties under glass—diamond-shaped ornaments made in Sacramento from upcycled window glass. Modern Glass Diamond. \$50. modernart.com.
- ⑦ He who sows enjoys eating his soil, water drippers at the end of a hard, cold day—welcome their names. Fun Fur Sticks. \$16. naturehouse.com.
- ⑧ We love the fact that these blind-stamped glasses from San Diego Pottery were inspired by the message of hard and long. They go especially well with succulents. Handcut Pots. From \$74. potterystore.com.
- ⑨ Inspired by vintage crystal, ceramic vessels from L.A. Handers are from a brick-factory. They can be used to hold fruit, flowers, or herbs—or just to look pretty. TALKS Home. From \$70. anderson.com.

PRESENTS WITH A FUTURE
Garden memberships
HUNTINGTON LIBRARY In San Marino, CA, 120 acres of art and gardens, including a desert area that will have you gardening, not on palm trees and cacti for days. \$7K. huntington.org

JAPANESE GARDEN (PORTLAND) In the heart of the city, this is a peaceful spot to wander and contemplate your round. \$7K. japanesegarden.com

DENVER BOTANICAL GARDENS The tropical conservatory offers a model of drought-tolerant landscaping, and a welcome respite from cold winters. \$7K. denvergarden.org

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 BEAUTIFUL, USEFUL, LIFE-CHANGING

GIFT GUIDE
 We've decked the halls, checked the shops and seen the sites. Here's what our travel, food, home and garden editors are giving this season.

Photographs by JEFFREY CROSS

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Our staffers struggle to resist the Electric Scooter Co. as a bike. This pedal, but battery-powered, scooter—30 miles of no-worries fun for \$2,200. www.electricscooter.com.

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GOOD TO GO

PRESENTS WITH A FUTURE
Amazing adventures

- ① A travel bag inspired by the classic 50s style—made of canvas and leather—is a perfect travel companion. The Charlie bag. \$14. www.refinerymag.com.
- ② Soft, smart, and seasonally ready, our favorite Patagonia's Fleece Jacket. \$12. www.patagonia.com.
- ③ A silver bag inspired by the classic 50s style—made of canvas and leather—is a perfect travel companion. The Charlie bag. \$14. www.refinerymag.com.
- ④ The adventures of your list may take a right or a left, but these phones will be there with the best of them. LifeProof iPhone case. \$79. www.lifeproof.com.
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CAMP GROUNDED No cell phones, computers, or kids allowed, it's just adults having fun as they digitally detox. At this Anderson Valley, California, summer camp for grown-ups, hikes, yoga, and creative writing classes are on the agenda. 3 times a week on the agenda. www.campgrounded.com. Three-day sessions, from \$240 per person.

CLAYDUST WILDERNESS RESORT These romantic and rustic luxury retreats on Vancouver Island are worth the airplane ride, and the airplane. It's camping without all that pesky... camping. Three nights, all-inclusive, from \$4,650 per person. www.claydust.com.

RED ROCK MUSCLE EXPERIENCE Make a mountain-top escape with 30 miles behind the wheel on a guided drive through Red Rock Canyon near Las Vegas, in three classic cars, including a Corvette Z06. \$299 per person. www.worldclassmotorcars.com.

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FROM THE EDITOR

At the AFAR pop-up store, the artist John Deane designed rope neckties and Able Cushman and company.

At the London Place pop-up shop, I thought hand-drawn neckties and round tops.

The industrial designers loved the idea of multiple and objects for the home, such as the brass bottle opener.

THE SPIRIT OF SEATTLE

AT AFAR, WE BELIEVE in celebrating wildly ambitious ideas and plucky people. (We are the ones who started a travel magazine in 2000!) This spring, when I traveled to Seattle for our fourth AFAR Experiences event, we were surrounded by innovators.

The chef and restaurateur Brian Ertel here, whose empire includes the award-winning oyster bar The Walrus and the Carpenter, produced our opening night party at Pike Place Market by inviting in her favorite local purveyors. Megan Isoper brought a group of us into the headquarters of Sub Pop, the influential record label where she serves as executive vice president. Author—and early Amazon employee—Langdon Cook took us on a foraging expedition through rainy Seward Park. And Margaret O'Mara, a professor of history at the University of Washington, spoke to our group about the climate of entrepreneurship that defines Seattle's past, present, and future.

In Seattle there's a palpable sense that people are driven by their passions, which more often than not blossom into successful businesses. In this issue, we set out to find the people who bring that spirit to the world of travel.

In "The 20th Travel Vanguard," on page 42, we cover the people and ideas redefining travel today: the disruptors and mavericks who are turning cruise ships into boutique hotels, teaching us how to be more conscientious and thoughtful travelers, and flying amateur astronauts (like you!) into space. The common thread across this group of change-makers: passion and an unshakable confidence in their ideas. Much like what we witnessed in Seattle. These are our kind of people.

TRAVEL WELL,

Julia

Julia Coagrove
Editor in Chief

Join us in Austin City Limits October 10-12 at our next AFAR Experiences event. Visit www.afar.com.

Paper Hammer led the revival of letterpress printing in Seattle. They made educational magnets, notebooks, and other paper products.

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FOR ADVENTURERS

Be prepared for anything, especially fun.

1. The M Lamp runs for 40 hours per charge and can be charged anywhere in 6,000 miles.

2. Carry On has 13 smaller board options to fit 120 types of items, mostly canvas bags.

3. Mission Bicycle's helmet is forged from ash wood and has an easy-to-close magnet chin-strap clip. \$170, missionbicycle.com

4. Designer David Irwin gives the 19th-century miner's lamp an LED update. \$220, spulprator.com

5. The inflatable Marina Air paddleboard's width makes it extra stable for beginners. \$1,500, rainbow.com

6. Handpainted color blocks on the wooden handle of the Opinel Whiskey Knife look like signal flags. \$48, sonora.com

7. Survival tools specialist Solrice designed the ultimate kit for every emergency. \$170, bestmadeco.com

8. Scott's new Linc goggles have a fog-free lens and customizable fit. \$150, scott-sports.com

9. The pocket size air version of the water purifier table, and other essential.

10. Skateboarding legend Tony Hawk wants to give the new Sony Action Cam Mini. "It's the smallest camera that can deliver the best quality," he says. "I even mounted one on the bottom of my skateboard and it wasn't obstructed." \$250, store.sony.com

11. TASTEMAKER PICKS
What gift will you be giving this holiday?
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FOR MEN

A taste of the good life.

1. Hornsuff is a traditional British umbrella hat.

2. The leather case comes from a Chicago company that has been making leather goods since 1900.

3. The hat's merino wool lining keeps ears warm. \$670, hornsuff.com

4. The toggle coat was designed by the British Royal Navy when designing the Toggle Coat for its Wallace & Gornall line. \$475, new.com

5. A Scottish leatherware manufacturer and a 60-year-old pewter business collaborated on the flask and its case. \$104, laufmann-mercuriale.com

6. The curved links of the Anchor Chronograph Steel Wave Link watch evoke the surf off the shore of Skagen, Denmark. \$245, skagen.com

7. The Icelandic brewery Einstok bottles a Viking version of American Pale Ale. \$12 per six-pack, einstokbeer.com

8. Waxed fabric makes the Ruckus a No. 25 weather-resistant. \$50, gallraven.us

9. Hit the trails in style with New Balance's hiking boot. \$105, newbalance.com

10. New Balance updated its hiking boot with genuine nubuck and a fuzzy and hair.

11. TASTEMAKER PICKS
Where would you like to go this holiday?
"Burns remains undiscovered," says Tom Marchant, co-founder of the UK-based travel company Black Tomato. "It locates the temples of Eagan and visit the remote hill village surrounding Lake Laka, then head to the mountains, where you can find vineyards and wineries such as Mine Track."

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FOR KIDS
You're never too young to be a global citizen.

Native Whimsy is an eco-friendly studio in the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Designed in France, this vintage-inspired truck is constructed with two hollers and a hill.

Designer Christine Chang uses blue cotton poplin in downtown L.A.

TASTEMAKER PICKS
Where do you want to take the family this holiday?
Leigh Rowden, cofounder of the San Francisco-based children's clothing company Tea Collection, wants to book a multi-stop family trip to South Africa and Botswana with the active travel outfitter Backroads. "I would love to hike among penguins and zebras, and I'm sure my kids would, too." From \$7,000, tea-travel.com

1. Mobiles this beautiful aren't just for baby's room. \$250, footeureka.com
2. A family in Mexico's Bajío region has been hand-stitching wool mittens, pigs, and other animals for three generations. \$32, monzeriahabequod.com
3. Baja ponchos feature kangaroo-style pockets. \$68, shopboyandgirl.com
4. Kids can play fire chef in this foot-powered truck. \$250, rnbayarechtsid.com
5. Wormed about your kids eating the Play-Doh? Eco-Dough is made from extracts of organic fruit, vegetables, and plants. \$20 per five-pack, wildill.com
6. Rock climbers can get their little ones hooked early with carabineer-shaped rattles. \$65, knotworkbigears.com

7. A modernist wooden vessel from southern Chile.

8. A wooden bowl from southern Chile.

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FOR BOOKWORMS
Feed your curious mind.

TASTEMAKER PICKS
Where do you want to go this holiday?
"I want to go to the French Alps and ride my bike on the legendary Tour de France climbs, including the Alpe d'Huez," says Thatcher Wine, founder of Juniper Books in Boulder, Colorado, which curates private libraries and designs custom book jackets. "Then I'd fly home via London so I could do some antiquarian book shopping."

1. Louise Fili's catalog of arty Italian signs. \$25
2. This book reproduces late 19th-century naturalist Romeyn Beck Hough's collection of the wood gases of every American tree. \$20
3. Margarita Canillo Aronís spent 30 years researching Mexican food. The result: 700 authentic recipes from across the country. \$50
4. The debut cookbook from chef Christopher Kostow of Meadowood in Napa Valley, California, is an homage to the region's artisans, farmers, and landscapes. \$50
5. AFAR contributor Chris Collin explains how to make compelling small talk in any situation. \$16
6. Novelist Haruki Murakami delves into a man's obsession with why he was ostracized by a group of friends in his youth. \$26
Books available on amazon.com

7. Louise Fili personally published *Delicatessen* and *A Designer's Guide to Italy*.

8. Beyond the Winepods: A New Tasse Culture reveals another side of wine country.

9. *WHAT TO TALK ABOUT*

10. **MEXICO THE COOKBOOK**
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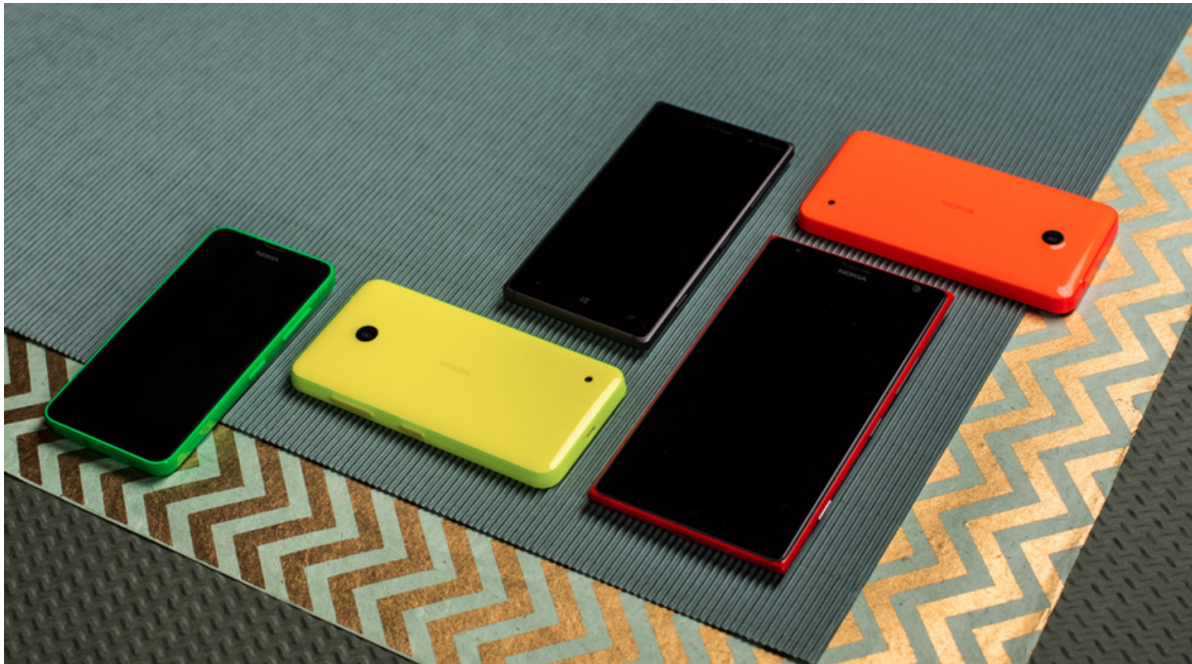
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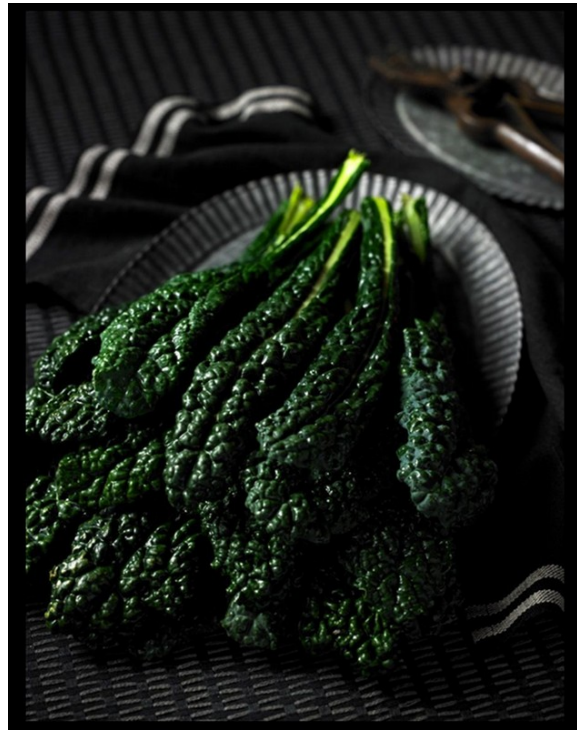
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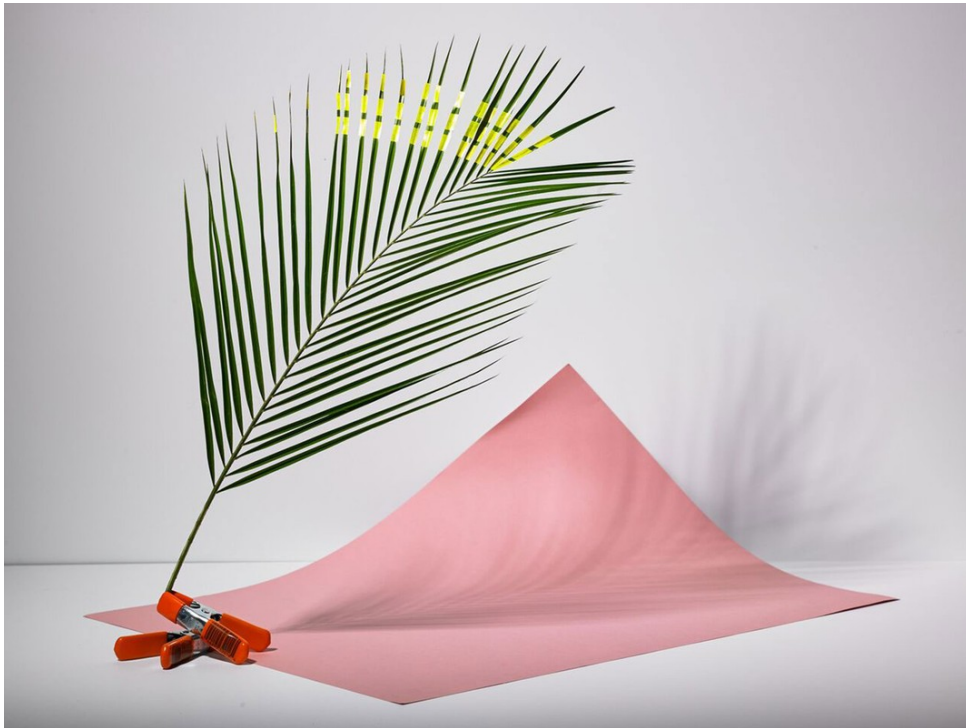
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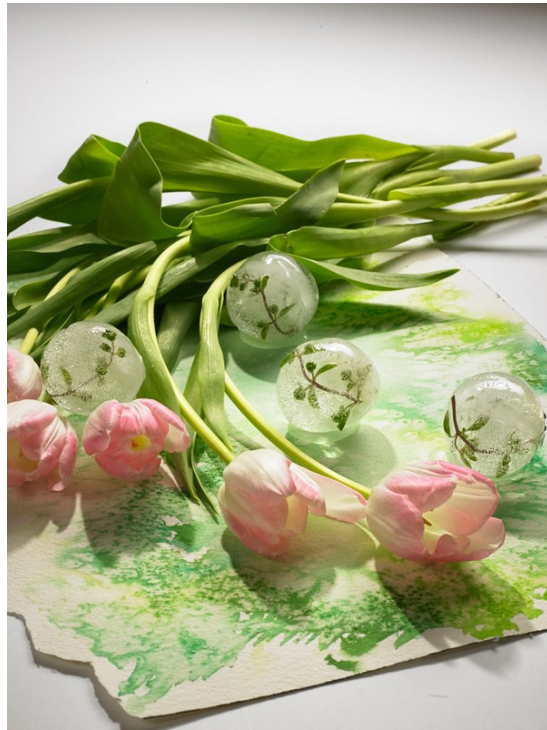
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