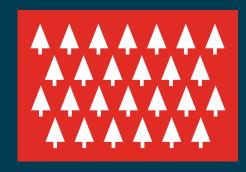
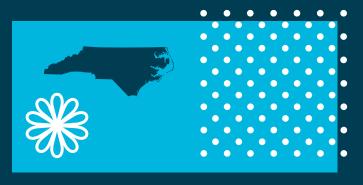
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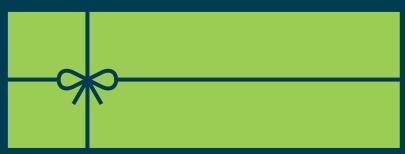




GIFT GUIDE









NC Chamber

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As you look for gift ideas for friends, co-workers, and family this year, we hope you'll find some inspiration from our second-annual NC Holiday Gift Guide, featuring made-in-NC products.

As hosts of the annual Coolest Thing Made in NC contest, we could not let the opportunity pass us by to tout some of the one-of-a-kind and innovative products being produced right here in North Carolina. The items in this guide reflect products that we think would make great stocking stuffers or presents for anyone your list — even for those hard-to-buy-for relatives and friends!

And speaking of not letting opportunities pass us by, as president and CEO of the NC Chamber, I can say firsthand that our annual 'Coolest Thing Made in NC' competition gives me and my staff a great sense of pride—it is an honor to applaud the accomplishments of an extremely innovative industry and the 200+ manufacturing members we represent. What began in the 1880s as a few textile mills across North Carolina's landscape has evolved into an impressive, technologically driven industry that generates nearly one-fifth of the gross state product and employs more than 1 in 10 of the state's workforce. What's made in North Carolina really does make North Carolina.

On behalf of myself and the NC Chamber staff, we wish you and your family a happy and healthy holiday season!

All the best,

## **GARY SALAMIDO**

President & CEO, NC Chamber

## WE WANT TO SHARE YOUR PRODUCTS ACROSS NORTH CAROLINA AND BEYOND.

Do you want your product featured in next year's gift guide?

Contact Marketing Director Emmy Boyette at <a href="mailto:eboyette@ncchamber.com">eboyette@ncchamber.com</a>.

Sponsorship opportunities are also available.





## **Ethel Handbag**

## **DESIGNED FOR JOY**

This sleek triangular silhouette and a scarf laced gold chain handle create a classic look. Featuring a flower printed leather interior with zippered pocket and magnetic snap closure. Designed For Joy logo imprinted on the center front. Measurements: 11.5"W x 14"H x 4"D Offered in 7 colors: Agua, Pink, Purple, Green, Tan, Gray, Black. Handcrafted in our Raleigh, NC studio. Your purchase provides a LIVING WAGE for a vulnerable woman.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Mom's Fanny**

## **FUN MOM BAND**

Lighten the mother load with Mom's Fanny, a stylish and versatile fanny pack that goes with everything, looks good on everyone, and is proudly sewn in the mountains of North Carolina. Mom's Fanny was designed to hold up in extreme environments and situations...such as mothering. It's the perfect companion for a hike to the coffee shop, a grueling kids party, a Target expedition, or a walk with your fur baby.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Marigold Beanie**

## MATERIAL RETURN, FONTA FLORA BREWERY, SOLID STATE CLOTHING, & OPPORTUNITY THREADS

Made within 125 miles in NC, the Marigold Beanie is a locally sourced product that showcases the strength of community partnerships, transparent supply chains, and local manufacturing. Material Return and InnovaKnits knit COLLECTION beanies in Morganton and Conover. Fonta Flora Brewery grew and harvested marigold flowers at their Whippoorwill Farm in Nebo. Solid State Clothing took those flowers and processed them into a beautiful natural dye in Burlington. Opportunity Threads sewed branded tags on the brim in Morganton. By supporting this collaborative project, customers contribute to the revitalization of the American textile industry and promote a more sustainable future.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **All-Paca Poncho**

## APPALACHIAN GEAR COMPANY

The All-Paca Poncho from Appalachian Gear Company harnesses the powers of all-natural 100% alpaca fiber to create a highly versatile layer. You can wear it under a rain shell for extra warmth or as a comfy outer later for protection from the elements, even stuff it into your sleeping bag for extra insulation while camping. Made in North Carolina with zero added synthetics, the All-Paca Poncho is perfect for adventuring on the trail, hanging around the campfire, or as a stylish throw for a night at the brewery.







## Hand-Painted, One-of-a-Kind Jewelry

## MCRAE DESIGN

Each piece begins as a painting - hand cut and turned into one-of-a-kind wearable art jewelry. They are layered with leather, cork, or wood, and accented with stained wooden beads and laser cut metal. All pieces guarantee compliments and make perfect gifts.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Handmade Gemstone Jewelry**

## **SOULKU**

Mom-founded, mom-run, and mama-made, SoulKu genuine gemstone jewelry is the perfect holiday gift to celebrate, inspire, empower, and support all the special people in your life. Each piece is inspired by the healing properties of gemstones and the spiritual laws of attraction, belief, and intention. Comfortable and beautiful, all our necklaces are made with our Mighty Miracle nylon cord that can hold up to 9 lbs and can be worn every day, from the shower to wherever life takes you. But the true magic lives with our local mama makers who handcraft and sign each piece. Enjoy 20% off this holiday with code NC20. Made in Asheville, NC.



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## **Lady Boss Liquid Matte Lipstick**

## LIP N POUR

This creamy, luxurious liquid formula glides on smoothly, delivering a full-coverage that lasts for hours. Lipstick has a matte finish without any of the drying side effects.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Back Compression Wrap NUFABRX**

The medicine-infused (capsaicin) lower back compression wrap attacks pain at the source by safely delivering contact activated pain relief directly into the skin. The wrap's innovative HealthWear® technology is designed to deliver relief for general lower back soreness, muscle or ligament strain, lower back trauma/acute injuries, low back muscle support, and as a post-workout recovery. Lasts 3x longer than pills, creams, or sprays.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Old-Fashioned Lard Soap with Goats Milk**

## **BYNUM FAMILY FARM**

Old-fashioned, all natural soaps made with Bynum Family Farm's pasture-raised, non-GMO lard and Logan Farms NC's non-GMO goat's milk. All soaps are handcrafted and made with love by Logan Farms NC.



## **Coffee & Inclusion Advocacy Box**

### 321 COFFEE

321 Coffee is a local coffee shop and roaster built on inclusion, employing 50+ individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Our holiday "Coffee and Inclusion Advocacy Box" is the perfect gift for the coffee lover in your life! The box includes a 12 oz bag of our "Celebrate Collaboration" coffee, a medium roast single-origin coffee from Guatemala. In additional to our small batch, specialty roasted coffee, the box includes 321 Coffee branded merchandise items that each symbolize neurodiversity advocacy and inclusion, including socks, stickers, a pin, and a handwritten note from a 321 Coffee barista. Give with purpose, give with impact, give with us!



## **Holiday Gift Sets**

## **BRUCE JULIAN HERITAGE FOODS**

Bruce Julian Heritage Foods is a beverage and food company dedicated to bringing Southern Classics to market. Our company embraces our families' rich histories, recognizing the value of delicious all-natural recipes that capture the charm and sophistication of Southern Cuisine. With our gracious southern classics we celebrate all the things we love in life – good friends, good food, good times. Enjoy!



## **Best Sellers Bundle**

## POPPY HANDCRAFTED POPCORN

Poppy Handcrafted Popcorn specializes in crafting premium all-natural popcorn. Allow us to present our top-selling and customer-favorite selections. This bundle comprises four market bags featuring our beloved flavors: Asheville Mix, Salted Caramel, Cinnamon Bourbon Pecan, and Pimento Cheese. A delightful combination of savory and sweet. Poppy bundles make the ideal gift for snack enthusiasts! Each bundle is beautifully gift-wrapped in our "Happy comes in more than one flavor" mailer, adding an extra touch of joy to your present.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **SIPPIN SNAX Winter Warmer Craft Peanuts**

## SIPPIN SNAX GOURMET BAR SNACKS

Ahhhhh, Winter Warmer... A Winter Warmer Ale is holiday cheer in liquid form. Holiday spices like cinnamon, nutmeg and clove give a proper holiday welcome. Winter Warmer Craft Peanuts are no less...Think of the classic inspired nut chocked full of spice and holiday cheer! Perfect for hostess gifts, parties and gifting!



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## **Honey Products**

### WHOLE HIVE HONEY COMPANY, LLC

Whole Hive Honey Company, LLC is committed to offering its retail and wholesale customers a variety of delicious small batch honey selections, while promoting the growth of honey bees in an effort to help support a better tomorrow for us all. As a veteran and woman-owned family business, and as beekeepers ourselves, we both produce and source honey from our expanded network of apiary partners. Our trademarked logo represents the global importance honeybees have on the world's food supply and the wonderful varieties of honey from around the world to share with you. Produced by nature and meant to be shared, all are pure, raw and natural honey. Private labeling available.



## Dr. Monkey's Ridiculously Good Caramel

## DR. MONKEY'S

Take your taste buds back to the days of simpler things. Buttery, rich, smooth caramels, wrapped in parchment, waiting to be opened and enjoyed. Our artisan caramels are hand-cut, preservative and gluten-free and offered in a variety of flavors. Born of a dad's promise, loved by all who taste them, Dr. Monkey's Ridiculously Good Caramel is family owned and operated by Dr. and Mrs. Monkey of Wake Forest, NC. Award-winning in the 2021 and 2022 NC State Fair, we love spreading our side effects of happiness and smiles by taking you back to those simpler days.



## **Elizabeth's Pecans**

## **ELIZABETH'S PECANS**

Known for their world-famous soft pecan brittle, Elizabeth's makes a variety of pecan products in Turkey, NC, with a store located on Hwy 24 just off I-40.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Vesta Gift Set**

## **BENNY T'S VESTA**

Featuring all three of our original varieties, the Vesta Gift Set is perfect for the spicy food fan in your life. From the mellow hum of Hot, the fruity heat of Very Hot or the fiery bite of Ghost, there's a heat level for every palette and dish.



## **Original Black Chai**

### CHAD'S CHAI

Chad's Original Black Chai is a bold and magical blend of tea and spice. Crafted in true India-style, this masala chai is the best you will find anywhere, at least on this side of the world! They use 100% organic tea and spices - no additives, no chemicals, no flavorings, natural or otherwise. This chai simply celebrates the best that the earth has to give. Perfect for a cup alone, but best served with friends and family.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Sweet Potato & Bourbon Ball Box**

## JENNI'S UGLY CHOCOLATES

A box filled with our two most beloved flavors. The Bourbon Ball, a delectable chocolate bonbon, boasts a luscious bourbon-infused filling crowned with a layer of toasted pecan pieces for a delightful crunch. The Sweet Potato Crunch showcases our love for Eastern NC, blending local sweet potatoes, butter, and pecans, complemented by the distinct flavor of Covington's Sweet Potato Vodka. Due to the popular demand of both of these flavors, we've created a box with 16 pieces of each flavor, giving you 32 delicious candies to share with a friend — or eat all by yourself!

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Bertie County Blister Fried Peanuts**

## **BERTIE COUNTY PEANUTS**

The nut that started it all...and they just keep getting better and better. Our Blister Fried Peanuts are cooked in small batches so that we can achieve the perfect taste. Lightly salted and packaged in tamper-proof recyclable plastic jars with our signature red and gold foil label, these peanuts are a gift everyone is tickled to receive.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Original Sharp Cheddar Cheesy Biscuit Bites**

## PIEDMONT PENNIES

It's time to upgrade your cheese straw. These "cheesy biscuit-bites of heaven" are the perfect balance of cheese, crunchy, and savory spice. Based on a family recipe, Pennies launched in 2020 as a North Carolinian's MBA class project and now is a full-time bakery in Charlotte, NC. Delight your guests, enhance your charcuterie board, and help those you love "Stay Cheesin" with Pennies! Order now at PiedmontPennies.com, ships nationwide.

## Bertie County Peanuts

Traditional Peanut Snacks, Treats & Gift Ideas Boolbers & BERTIE COUNTY Honey Rogsted RERTIE COUNT **PEANUT** RERTIE CO BERTIE COUNT Butterscotch PEANUTS www.pnuts.net 800.457.0005 Looking for a unique gift for your customers? Our custom logo tins are a great option!



## **Pristine Deep Ocean Blue Water Sea Salt**

## ATLANTIC BEACH SEA SALT

We are a specialized small batch company with a mission: to provide the best, purest, unrefined salt possible using water far from land and the turbidity of man-made and natural pollutants. Treat the salty Santa in your soul with Atlantic Beach Sea Salt this holiday season.

PRODUCT DETAILS



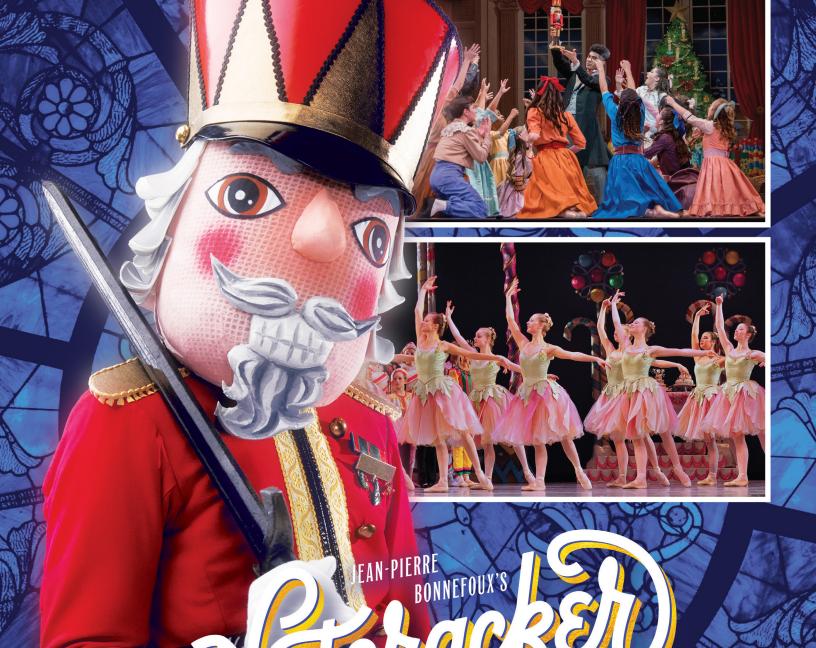
## **Bright Leaf Spiral Sliced Holiday Ham & More Unique, Local Gifts**

## CAROLINA PACKERS

Carolina Packers Inc., Home of the Bright Leaf Hot Dog, now offers unique, locally made-in-North Carolina corporate gifts your clients and employees will love. Our "Authentic Taste of North Carolina Holiday Gifts" line contains delicious foods with deep North Carolina roots. Includes everything from this Spiral Sliced Ham to Bright Leaf products to other local iconic food brands. Each package is uniquely designed to deliver a true North Carolina experience—the perfect holiday gift for your clients or employees.

## EXPERIENCE THE HOLIDAY MAGIC!





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## **4-Piece Cloudware Nesting Set**

### HAAND

These ceramic bowls, handmade in Burlington, North Carolina, are a sculptural centerpiece and the ideal companions for meal prep. Cloudware is Haand's proprietary blue and white clay, designed to echo historic Wedgwood Jasperware and mimic the blue, cloud-streaked sky of a North Carolina afternoon. Every piece captures a unique moment frozen in time — no two are ever alike, just like the clouds on a summer day or the swirls and veins of marble. Microwave and dishwasher safe.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## 2024 Year in Bloom Mini Calendar

## JAKE & META DESIGNS

With a housing case that doubles as an easel to display each month, our 2024 JAKE & META Year in Bloom mini calendar features flowering herbs and takes up only 3.75 square inches of space. Ideal for a home office, work desk, and anywhere you want to add a bolt of color, it even includes the moon phases. Easy to wrap and easy to mail, this little calendar makes a great gift for flower lovers, coworkers, clients, party guests, teachers, hostesses, gardeners, kitchen and gourmet enthusiasts, and more. A customer favorite since our inaugural 2009 Year in Bloom mini calendar.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Crab Pot Christmas Trees**

## FISHERMAN CREATIONS

America's Original Crab Pot Christmas Tree® created and patented by Coastal North Carolina crab trap maker Nicky Harvey and made in the USA by hard-working local fishing family members. Built from durable, weatherproof PVC coated Crab Trap Wire and displays beautifully outdoors or indoors with nautical or traditional decor. The ONLY Christmas Tree you'll find that displays beautifully, withstands the weather, and can be set up and displayed so easily while also folding flat in moments to be stored in the very smallest places...and best of all, it's made in the USA!

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Bright Black Genres Collection**

## **BRIGHT BLACK.**

A scent soundtrack that pays tribute to some of NC's most loved musical genres. The collection consists of five candles that honor the sounds of Black rhythms, beats, sounds, moves, and moods: Bachata, Gospel, Hip Hop, Rock, and Yemanja. Candles boast unique scents from passion fruit to palo santo. Each 10-ounce Black, matte vessel contains 7.5 ounces of wax and fragrance, along with sleek wooden wicks and a unique playlist to inspire you while you enjoy each scent. 70-80 hours of burn time each.





## LipLidz

## LIPLIDZ, LLC

Unique dual stemmed cocktail glasses with colorful, attachable drink-thru lids. Lid & glass shatterproof & dishwasher safe on top rack. Lids attached to side of each glass when refilling your drink or storing in cupboard. Perfect for that special cocktail at the beach, lake, boating, backyard party, RV camping, tailgating - anywhere you don't want black flies in your Chardonnay, spillage or debris in your drink. Cheers!

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Tobacco Leaf Christmas Tree Ornament**

## ARTISAN LEAF

Handmade with care in Wilson, N.C., our products are made with real North Carolina Flue Cured Tobacco! Once known as "The World's Largest Tobacco Market," our small town's economy continues to be very reliant upon the crop. At Artisan Leaf, we've reinvented the way tobacco is used highlighting its aesthetic beauty and decorative style. We make a variety of products (custom bars, tables, wall panels, coasters, decorative accessories, art work, etc.) using natural tobacco leaves sealed in a protective epoxy resin coating.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Pewter North Carolina Sailboat Ornament**

## **HOUSE OF MORGAN PEWTER**

Remind everyone who visits your home this holiday season that your heart is firmly rooted in North Carolina! These unique North Carolina ornaments come in several designs so you can pick the one that best reflects your Carolina pride. Deck your halls with some of that good ol' North Carolina spirit! Handcrafted in Kinston, N.C.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Holiday Candles with a Purpose**

## **BENEVOLENCE FARM**

A Merry and Bright Candle for Second Chances: This holiday season, treat yourself and a loved one to the festive fragrances of Benevolence Farm's Holiday Candle Line. Each candle is made with three simple ingredients: natural soy wax, Benevolence Farm's own infused oil, and a fragrance oil. This year's fragrances are Cranberry Chutney and Cypress & Bayberry. When you shop with Benevolence Farm, you're not just buying a candle. You're investing in a brighter future for formerly incarcerated women and their families. Benevolence Farm is a social enterprise that provides living wage employment for women returning home from prison across North Carolina.





## **Acorn Bell Ornament**

## **DESIGNED FOR JOY**

This shiny brass acorn shaped bell was a great find for us at DFJ! Our hometown of Raleigh, NC is called the "City of Oaks" because of all the oak trees in our city, so it was natural we would make this into a hometown ornament. Complete with a leather oak shaped leaf atop the bell, with "Raleigh, NC" imprinted on it, and a suede leather hanger, this will be perfect for your Christmas tree! Great gift for local friends as well as those missing their Raleigh hometown. Solid brass, high quality bell. Measures: 5 ½ inches. Handcrafted in our Raleigh, NC studio. Your purchase provides a LIVING WAGE for a vulnerable woman.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Memory Bears**

## **MEMORY LANE BOUTIQUE**

An eighteen-inch huggable keepsake Memory Bear made from your loved one's clothing with button eyes and a felt nose. Every stitch is sewn with love and respect. We hope each Memory Bear we make for you brings comfort and happy memories for your family. Made in Mocksville, NC.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## Charlie's Soap 100 Load Laundry Liquid

## CHARLIE'S SOAP

Made with natural ingredients and powerful cleaning agents, this hypoallergenic detergent is free of parabens, sulfates, dyes, synthetic fragrances, phosphates, and bleach. Welcome to a deep clean that's safe for sensitive skin at a competitive price. Charlie's laundry soap recipe is safe for you and the earth.







## Chafe-Pro & STREP

### FJORD INC

Whether you're a boater, a climber, first responder, or rope access worker, we have the rope protection you need! Using our proprietary textile materials, we have made rope protection products for almost 30 years in Burlington, NC. From standard to custom solutions, if you need to protect your rope, look no further and give us a call. Whether it's land or sea, we have it covered!

PRODUCT DETAILS



## Classic Hammock + Straps Bundle

## **EAGLES NEST OUTFITTERS**

Spacious enough for two, the award-winning ENO DoubleNest Hammock pairs perfectly with our patented tree-friendly No-Knots-Needed ENO Atlas Hammock Straps. This hammock and hammock straps bundle includes everything you need to set up and relax between two trees or anchor points.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Mr. Fusion Seat Pack**

## **ROCKGEIST**

Mr. Fusion is our modular waterproof seat pack, centered around a svelte mini-rack, holster, and a dedicated seat post clamp. 100% waterproof, and with the snap of one buckle, it's insanely easy to load & unload. Pack your things off the bike, and never worry about wiggle, wobble, or sag. We offer three machined collars to clamp the shaft of your seat post.

PRODUCT DETAILS



## **Kydex Holsters & Accessories**

## COLD WAR CONCEALMENT LLC

We offer top quality holsters and accessories, built right here in North Carolina, using American made Kydex and hardware. Our Kydex holsters are very durable, safe and will withstand the rigors of daily use for years to come, and our accessories such as valet trays and the TDCH (Tactical Dip Can Holster) make great gifts. We build all of our products with modern materials and methods, but they are hand assembled in our Stoneville, NC, shop with traditional craftsmanship and an eye for detail, giving you the best quality possible. Lightweight and slim, our holsters' low-profile design aids in concealed carry, giving you the most discrete and comfortable option. Cold War Concealment is a disabled veteran-owned company.





## Silverquicken Quest Club SILVERQUICKEN EDUCATION

Silverquicken provides 9-13 year-olds with fun, challenging enrichment programs that amplify problem-solving skills, boost perseverance, and reignite a love for learning. With our Quest Club subscription, kids become world-class "Solvers" as they tackle tough puzzles, decode mysterious ciphers, and discover hidden patterns in our hands-on adventures. This program makes the perfect gift for kids who love to solve mysteries, puzzles, and brain teasers. (And parents love that it builds real skills and confidence at the same time!)

## PRODUCT DETAILS



## The Bebé Box SOUTHERN OAK GIFT COMPANY

Southern Oak Gift Company's Bebé Box features a darling collection of locally sourced treasures and keepsakes for the new little one. Choose pink, blue or neutral ribbon. The Bebé Box includes: Swaddle blanket, laser engraved baby monthly milestone markers, perfect for documenting the baby's growth throughout their first year, Bedtime oil formulated with little ones in mind, and crocheted teddy bear wooden rattle. Optional Add-On: "I Love You as Big as North Carolina" board book or "Twas the Night Before Christmas in North Carolina" book.



Source: CNBC & NC Chamber

North Carolina
has been named
the #1 State for
Business, making it
a great state for
manufacturing.

Our state's manufacturing industry generates 17% of the gross state product.

Source: National Association of Manufacturers

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> NC manufacturing employs 450,000 North Carolinians, which is 10% of the state's workforce.

Source: National Association of Manufacturers

The average NC manufacturing salary is \$75,000 annually.

Manufacturing

backbone of NC's economy since the 1880s.

NC
manufacturers
help drive our
state's economy
with \$26.94 billion
in exported goods
manufactured
yearly.

Source: National Association of Manufacturers

Source: North Carolina Manufacturing Extension Partnership

Small
businesses
comprise 88% of
manufacturing
exporters in North
Carolina.

Source: National Association of Manufacturers DID YOU KNOW

# WHAT IS THE COOLEST THING MADE IN NORTH CAROLINA?

The made-in-NC gift ideas featured in this holiday guide prove that what's made in North Carolina *makes* North Carolina. Many were past nominees in our Coolest Thing Made in NC contest. Join in the fun of nominating the best goods, voting for your favorite products, and championing our innovative manufacturing community in next year's contest. Follow the QR code below to stay informed.





## Happy Holidays!

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