SEASONAL PLANNER

The Unpanicked Christmas List

Names, ideas, budget and what is already wrapped.

Fill it in once in November and the whole of December gets easier. Keep it somewhere you will see it, not in a drawer.

HOW TO USE IT

Names first Write everyone down before you think about presents. The list is always shorter than the dread.

One idea each A single good idea beats five maybes. Give yourself permission to repeat a gift across people.

Set the number Write the budget beside the name, not at the bottom of the page.

WHEN YOU ARE STUCK ON SOMEBODY

Something they use daily A gift that turns up in an ordinary morning beats a keepsake in a cupboard.

Something that smells like the season Scent is the one present nobody already owns three of.

Something that arrives every month A subscription keeps giving long after the wrapping is in the recycling.

Something consumable Food, candles and bath things never need dusting or storing.

BEFORE YOU ORDER ANYTHING

- [ ] Check the shipping cut-off dates and write them at the top of the list.
- [ ] Order the far-away parcels first, the local ones last.
- [ ] Buy two spare gifts for the people you forget every year.
- [ ] Keep the receipts in one envelope, not six pockets.

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The List Itself

Name, idea, budget, done.

NAME	IDEA	BUDGET	WRAPPED