

Giving a Baby Pillow as a Gift

If you are in the market for a practical gift for a baby you know, a baby pillow is an excellent choice. The panoply of pillows on the market can make choosing the best pillow tricky. However, this guide will make it simple to pick out just the right baby pillow for the child you are thinking of.

The first consideration is the babys age. Sleeping with a pillow is a suffocation risk for babies under two years old. If you are buying a present for a baby under the age of two, buy a decorative pillow or a nursing pillow instead. If the child is a toddler of two or older, then they are ready for a sleeping pillow.

You can find decorative pillows in just about any color, shape, and material to match any bedroom. You can also have a baby pillow customized. For instance, have a pillow embroidered with a poem that is meaningful to the parents, or that expresses your hopes for the child. Or commission a pillow to be printed with a photograph of the babys grandparents. If you have artistic skills, you can even buy a plain baby pillow and a blank pillowcase, and paint or cross stitch a unique design.

Nursing pillows are large, U shaped pillows that the mother arranges in her lap to provide extra support for the baby while she nurses. (Fathers can use them when bottle feeding, too!) Nursing pillows are nicknamed "boppies," after the top brand, Boppy, but [there](#) are several good brands on the market.

A baby pillow for sleeping is much smaller and less plump than adults pillows. Full sized adult pillows can give children neck cramps and make them sleep poorly because they are proportioned differently from adults. Pillow fillings that adults find comfortable, like feathers and down, can trigger allergies in children, so you should avoid them. Choose a baby pillow that is half the size and thickness of an adults pillow or less, with hypoallergenic stuffing and a smooth, soft cover. A good finishing touch is all natural pillowcases in the childs favorite color, or in a color that matches the childs bedroom.

If you follow this guide and your sense of the childs and the parents tastes, you will choose a baby pillow that will make a wonderful gift. When you give your present to the parents and the child, you can be sure that your gift is not only practical, it is also going to help an often fussy small child to sleep. Similar topics [Bedding pillow](#) | [See](#) |

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