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MOTHER'S DAY GIFT GUIDE: AROMATIC GINS

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This Mother's Day, you could gift your mom with a gift of "Mother Gin," as gin was once known. "We need to retell the story as it should be told, every time we raise a glass to 'Mother Gin,' we make an act of restoration," says Dr. Nicola Nice, founder and owner of Pomp & Whimsy gin liqueur, a brand dedicated to the proper telling of women's history.

Back in the 1700s and early 1800s, gin was known as "Mother Gin," Nice says. It was the preferred drink of royalty, with Queen Mary and William of Orange, who did a lot to build the spirit's popularity.

In honor of "Mother Gin," here's a roundup of some especially aromatic and eminently quaffable gins to gift your mother.

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Uncle Val's Gin was inspired by 3 Badge Beverage Corp.'s president August Sebastiani's real Uncle Val, Zio Valerio Cecchetti. The real Uncle Val was known for his botanical concoctions that he grew in his garden in Italy. If your mom loves botanical gins, then this might be the perfect gift for her. If she has a zest for life, you might want to try Uncle Val's Zested Gin. The company is also sponsoring a "Zest for Life" cocktail contest at unclevalsgin.com, which runs through the end of May, and if you win, you can take your mom to Italy. Uncle Val's also makes other delicious gins including restorative and peppered.

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