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Strappy's bra straps



Bosom Button



## FOR YOUR BEST GIRLFRIEND

We've found two wardrobe savers that every girl must have. First, visit [www.strappys.com](http://www.strappys.com). This fashion solution came about when founder Allison Mercer was faced with a familiar dilemma: "How will I wear this outfit with that bra?"

Mercer invented **Strappy's bra straps**. The original selection consisted of fabric bra straps embellished with hand-sewn adornments. These interchangeable straps could be worn with any strapless or convertible bra with fabric loops. Now, with the straps' popularity catching on and demand rising, Mercer has more than 42 types of bra straps covered in rhinestones, beads and jewels to mix and match with your outfits.

A second must-have for the fashionable girlfriend is the **Bosom Button**. This simple item is basically a jeweled tie tack. It is the perfect way to secure a low top or party dress that otherwise would gape every time you leaned over the canapé table. Beats a safety pin any day! Smaller than a dime, Bosom Buttons are available for \$12 and come in 10 colors — topaz, silver, rose and aqua to name a few. A set of three (crystal, jet black and white pearl) is \$25. Visit [www.bosombutton.com](http://www.bosombutton.com) for more information and to order.

## FOR TEACHERS

Local letterpress designer Kat Feuerstein, of Gilah Press + Design ([www.gilahpress.com](http://www.gilahpress.com)), has two new card lines, **Flourish** and **Plantable**. Circle-shaped cards read "Peace," "Joy," "Merry," "Happy" and "Fa La La" and also double as tree ornaments. \$5 each.

Plantable cards are just that — cards printed on paper infused with seeds. Plant them in your garden and grow wildflowers. What better way to recycle "Merry Christmas" and "Happy Hanukkah" greetings? Plantable cards are \$6 each.

The cards are available online at [www.starsandinfinitydark.com](http://www.starsandinfinitydark.com) or locally at Simply Noted in Belvedere Square, Doubledutch Boutique on Falls Road, Wholly Terra on Chestnut Avenue, Signatures on St. Paul Street and Tu Vida on Fort Avenue.

After a long day on her feet, any teacher will appreciate a gift of coffee or tea from the Baltimore Coffee & Tea Company. These folks have been importing and roasting **gourmet coffee** for 112 years. While the roasting company and a small retail shop are located in Timonium, the company is planning to open stores throughout Maryland. (A shop opened in Annapolis this summer.) You can choose a gift certificate or scoop up a selection and create your own gift basket.

**Simply Noted**, 544 E. Belvedere Ave., Baltimore, 410-464-1166. Visit [www.simplynoted.com](http://www.simplynoted.com)

**Doubledutch Boutique**. Visit [www.doubledutchboutique.com](http://www.doubledutchboutique.com)

**Wholly Terra**, 3406 Chestnut Ave., Baltimore, 410-561-1080. Visit [www.whollyterra.com](http://www.whollyterra.com)

**Signatures**, 3201 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, 410-561-1080. Visit [www.signatures.com](http://www.signatures.com)

**Tu Vida**, 300 E. Fort Avenue, Baltimore, 410-561-1080. Visit [www.tuvidaonline.com](http://www.tuvidaonline.com)

**Baltimore Coffee & Tea Company**, 410-561-1080 or 800-800-8000. Visit [www.baltimorecoffee.com](http://www.baltimorecoffee.com)

