

HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS

Slipping Into A Stylish Gift Idea

(NAPSA)—In today's hectic world, there are few presents more welcome than the gift of comfort.

A fluffy robe, some bubble bath and a pillow specially designed for commuters are a few examples that come to mind, but perhaps the most ahhh-inspiring gift for those who need a little pampering is comfy footwear, such as slippers.

This season there's a lot to choose from:

- **Festive footwear.** It's possible to be comfortable and festivity-fancy. Consider giving slippers full of opulent jewel tones in embossed velvet, rich furs and velvety corduroy with lavish add-ons such as rhinestones, sequins, velvet ribbonry and beading. Or give slippers in rich velvets and velours with satin bows, velvet trims and luxurious linings.

- **Satisfy the senses.** Soft textures, vintage fabrications, mixed patterns and menswear influences abound in some fall slippers. Treat the feet in quilted microfiber suede, fur cuffs, satin linings and shaggy chenille. For sock fanatics there are soft-sole slippers with a socklike construction. Ultraplush fur linings, metallic knits and bead appliqués bring an element of fashion to this silhouette.

- **Walk this way.** Designed for both the indoors and the outdoors, some slippers have an active twist. With athletic styling, heavenly memory foam, rugged texture and sturdy fabrications, they are well suited to action-packed lifestyles.



Eva Longoria, co-star of the hit television show "Desperate Housewives," gave these shantung ballerinas to her bridesmaids.

- **Campus comfort.** A great way to bring the comfort of home to the dorm are standout, new fun dorm slippers. The bright colors, supersoft fabrics and flexible soles are good for taking finals in and hanging out with friends.

- **Focus on men.** Genuine suede is essential for men, so the driving-inspired suede boat mocs and classic clogs with split soles, each lined with cozy shearling, are ideal for keeping feet warm and comfortable.

- **Sweaters for the feet.** Imagine your favorite sweater in a slipper. Some scuff and clog silhouettes offer chenille sweater knits, embossed fleece and crochet lined with fur cuffs for feminine texture.

All these footwear styles are created by Dearfoams and cost less than \$20. For more information, visit www.dearfoams.com. The styles are also sold in fine retailers nationwide.