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Aquila Holiday Gift Guide '09

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With the holiday season approaching, many people are scrambling to find those last gifts on their friends' and family's wishlists. Here a quick guide put together by the Aquila staff on some good gifts to get that anyone can enjoy.

DVDs and Movies

- *Up* - Edward Asner, Jordan Nagai, and Bob Peterson star in Disney/Pixar's *Up*, in which a "grumpy" old man and a adventurous young "wilderness explorer" travel to South America in a house held up by balloons.

- *Star Trek* - Chris Pine and Zachary Quinto star in the new film adaptation of the popular science-fiction series in which the crew of *The Enterprise* must fight the evil Romulan Nero.

- *Angels and Demons* - Tom Hanks stars in the film adaptation of Dan Brown's

novel about professor and symbolist Robert Langdon's investigation of a mystery in the Vatican.

- *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* - Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, and Emma Watson star in the film adaptation of the sixth installment of the popular fantasy series about Harry and his friends' adventures and life in wizarding school.

- *Public Enemies* - Johnny Depp stars in a crime film about Bureau of Investigation's Melvin Puris attempting to stop John Dillinger, Baby Face Nelson, and Pretty Boy Floyd from continuing their crime streak.

- *The Hangover* - Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis, Justin Bartha, and Heather Graham star in a comedy about four friends who wake up in Las Vegas after a bachelor party the night before, only to find the groom to-be-wed is missing.

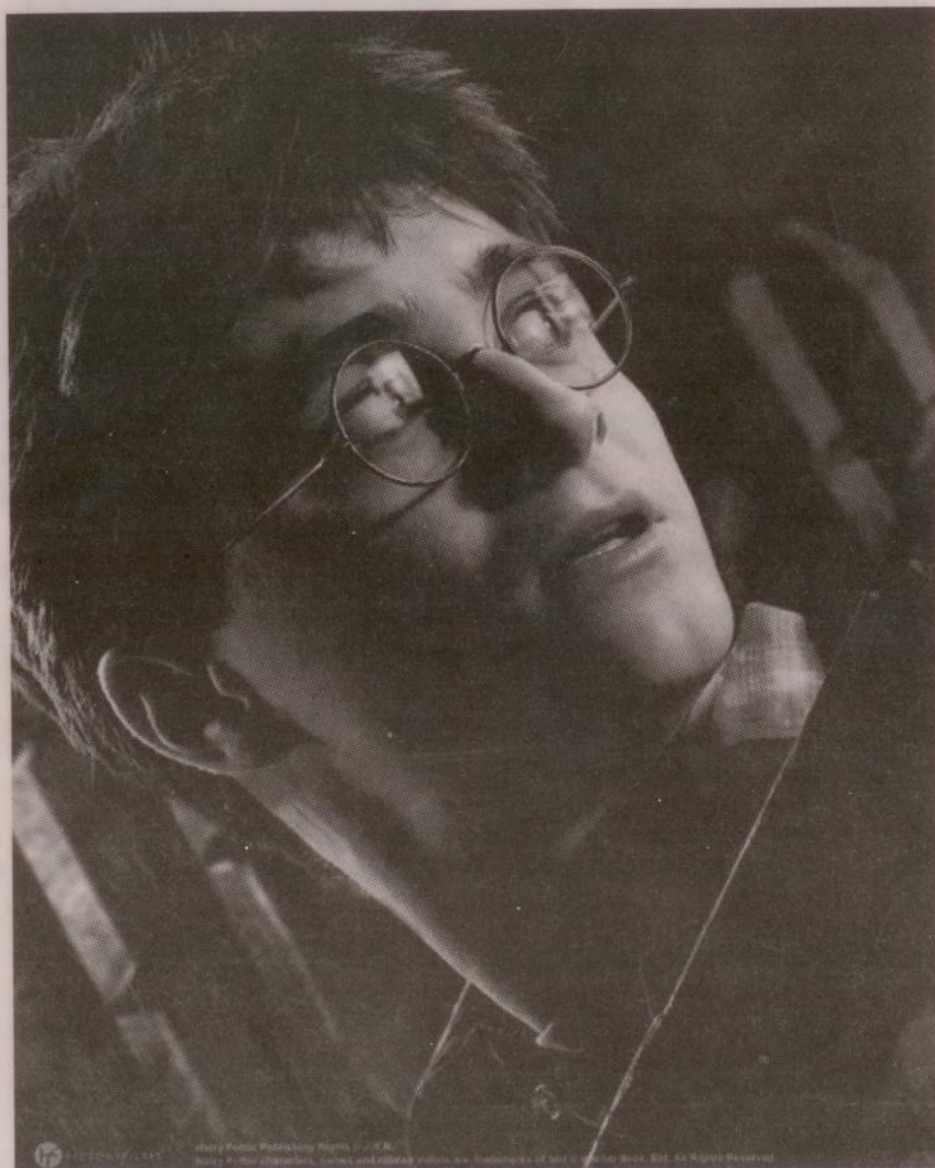


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Video Games/PC Games

- *Dragon Age Origins* - Bioware's newest fantasy RPG that allows the player to go on a medieval-like quest as one of 6 types of characters and battle monsters, demons, and other characters. This single-player game is currently

available on the PS3, Xbox 360, and PC with 3 DLC packages already released and one more set to be released over the holiday season.

- *Borderlands* - Gearbox's RPG-FPS (or Role-playing shooter) takes place on a fantasy world, Pandora, where the player chooses one of four characters to

find a lost treasure, completing quests and leveling their character along the way. The game allows for up to 4 player co-op and multiple playthroughs on the same profile, each one harder than the previous. It is currently available on the PS3, Xbox 360 and PC with one DLC package released and more on the

way.

- *Left 4 Dead 2* - Valve's sequel to their award-winning FPS, L4D2 features four multiplayer campaigns in which the player uses weapons to fend off infected humans and reach the end of each chapter. The game supports up to 8-player multiplayer with 3 different game-types. The game is currently available on the Xbox 360 and PC with one DLC planned for released in spring.

- *The New Super Mario Bros. Wii* - Nintendo's remake of their most popular series, New Super Mario Bros. Wii allows up to four player co-op in a run and jump platformer. The game plays every much like the older versions of the series with a few new twists, such as power-ups and the "Super Guide". The game is only available on Wii.



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