BORN-IN-THE-USA FAVORS

Chances are you’re expecting a host of out-of-towners for your big event, so why not thank them for their travels with a taste (literal or not) of local flavor? Personalize your party by celebrating with homegrown delights wherever you are. Here, we rounded up special items from every state in the union.

ALABAMA
A Birmingham institution, Jim ’N Nick’s Community Bar-B-Q houses the nutmeg for its celebrated side dish in hometown sacks of Cheese Biscuit Mix. Stir in koolaid and leave the butter to your guests ($6, jimnnicks.com).

ALASKA
Its name may sound folksy, but Straub Pleasures Saponifier’s Jam is made from a musty raspberry-like nectar of the wild Northwest ($5.50, alaskasimplepleasures.com).

ARIZONA
Quarried and cut from in-state rock, each Natural Sandstone Coaster is unique. Give one with an ice-cold beverage to beat the heat ($4 each for 100 to 300 coasters, arizonagifts.com).

ARKANSAS
Guests won’t “mine” leaving the Natural State if they receive Quartz Clusters from Jim Coleman Crystal Mines—the gift of the gods is most remembered keepers (480/flat of 35, jimcolemanmines.com).

CALIFORNIA
No need to turn to France when the lush fruit bowls yield to Hog Island Oyster Bar’s Hog Island Oyster Company. For a quick, fresh summer sipper ($4.45 each for 12 bottles or more, tractoroyster.com).

COLORADO
Fuel day-after hikes (and help any lingering hangovers) with Oyke Man Granola, hand-baked in eight flavors, including a mix free of gluten and nuts ($5 for 12 oz, stie mangranda.com).

CONNECTICUT
Bells will be ringing from the moment you say “I do,” with chimes from a custom Deeply Bells Deeply Bell, produced by a historic family firm and topped with New England wood (from $7.50 each, beverbells.com).

IDAHO
No small potatoes here: Idaho Candy Co.’s Spud Candy bar mashed—coated with dark chocolate and coated with dark chocolate and coated with dark chocolate—is a locally favorite since 1918 ($2 per 24 bars, idahopial.com).

ILLINOIS
You’re sweet; he’s salty (or vice versa)? Mirror that dynamic with Garrett Popcorn Shoppe Garrett Mix, an addictive medley of flavored CaramelCrisp (from $7.99 per 1 oz, garrettpopcorn.com).

INDIANA
In 1957, long before the blossom took over Pinterest—and won the hearts of brides everywhere—the peony was named this state’s official flower (53 ø, idahospud.com). The state’s official blueberry in eight flavors, including a mix free of gluten and nuts ($5 for 12 oz, olde man marketplace.com).

IOWA
In a farm state where pork rules, it’s only fitting to let your guests pig out on hard Bacon Candy. The tin alone is a worthy souvenir ($7 for 12, heartofiowawholesome.com).

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Who doesn’t love Old Bay Seasoning, named after a U.S. steamship that once cruised the Chesapeake, a 20th-century spawn of crabcake, and seafood alike ($6, themarylandstore.com).
Note: The text is not directly readable due to visual obstructions, but it appears to be a catalog listing various products and descriptions, possibly related to food items or souvenirs from different states.