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Holiday Gift Guide for the Golfer on Your List

As my annual series of Holiday Gift Guides continues, I tackle one of my favorite sports, golf, which I have covered very regularly as a journalist for 20 years. Frankly, in golf there is a lot of hype and gimmicks, so I've sorted through that for you and there is something for everyone here at every price point. Unlike many magazine gift round-ups, I have either purchased or tested a manufacturer sample, and personally tried and approved each of these products (unless otherwise indicated). Check out my other themed gift guides this week for Skiers/Snowboarders, for [Foodies](#), for [Cyclists](#), Travelers and Fitness/Good Living! [Check out last year's 2013 Golf Gift Guide too](#), as many things are still worth considering.

Sun Mountain Tour Series Rain Gear: Into every life a little rain must fall, especially the life of a traveling golfer. That's why every player needs good raingear, and the new Tour Series is the best yet from top tier manufacturer Sun Mountain, which supplied the uniform raingear for both the U.S. Ryder Cup and President's Cup teams. I've written before in these gift guides about Sun Mountain's excellent golf bags and club travel cases, both of which I use, and I swear by the rain gear too. The secret to the new Tour Series is a waterproof, breathable membrane bonded to a four-way stretch shell so all the pieces are totally waterproof, breathable, very stretchable, lightweight and quiet. They don't have the plastic feel of many rain suits, are still comfy in warm weather, and are so supple they do not restrict movement at all. There is a lot of attention to details, including fully seam-sealed design, a convenient two-way front zipper and adjustable laser-cut cuffs. The Tour Series includes a full-zip jacket (\$199), long-sleeve pullover (\$179) and pants (\$199) in a variety of colors.



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