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**KIM BASINGER**  
After Alec: *8 Mile*'s  
reclusive star



**BUTLER  
PAUL BURRELL**  
creates panic in  
the palace



**WINONA RYDER**  
Did she steal  
before?

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At home with a rocker who carools, coaches, comes home to his high school sweetheart—and *still* looks good in leather pants

# Jon Bon Jovi SECRETS OF A ROCK STAR DAD

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It's time to hunt down those perfect presents. Here's our roundup of the season's best in gift books, CD boxed sets, DVD packages and kids' entertainment

## GIFT BOOKS

**Cocktail Parties with a Twist: Drinks + Food + Style** By Alexandra and Eliot Angle (*Stewart, Tabori & Chang*, \$30) The Angles, event caterers in L.A., bring their expertise to "cocktail parties for our time," walking us through 14 scenarios—from Impossibly Small Apartment fete to Croquet party—and telling us what to serve and how much. They even help with the guest list: For the Urban Loft bash, "attractive singles are a must."

**Stars on the Set: Stolen Moments** (*Filipacchi Publishing*, \$45) Brando making funny faces; Chaplin mugging as 8-year-old Melanie Griffith giggles; Sharon Stone with her hair in curlers. A treasure trove for star watchers and cinephiles.

**One Shot Harris: The Photographs of Charles "Teenie" Harris** By Stanley Crouch (*Harry N. Abrams*, \$35) From the 1930s to the 1970s, Harris chronicled the lives of Pittsburgh's African-Americans. The famous are here, from Jackie Robinson to Bill "Bojangles" Robinson, but it's the ordinary folk who hold the attention. The collection, as Crouch writes in his excellent introductory essay, "provides us with an epic sense of life."

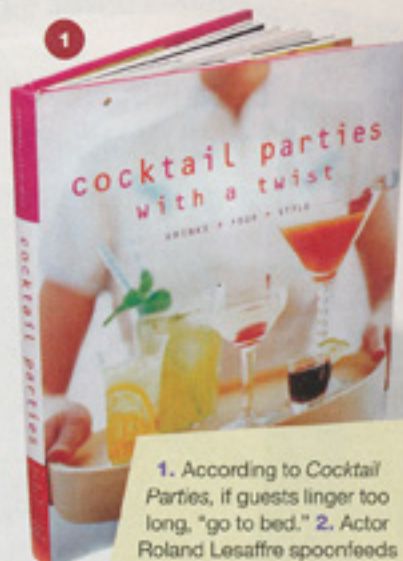
**Birds** By Robert Bateman (*Pantheon*, \$40) Burrowing owl. Scarlet tanager.

Great blue heron. They're all here in Bateman's paintings of birds from around the world. Not a field guide or reference book, it is instead a portfolio of avian beauty, all the more precious as so many of the birds are endangered by human depredation.

**Wild at Heart: Man and Beast in Southern Africa** Photographs by Chris Johns; essays by Peter Godwin (*National Geographic*, \$65) Here is Africa in all its beauty and complexity, both animal and human. Can we ever see it often enough or be warned often enough of how fragile it all is?

**The Art of the Sports Car** By Dennis Adler (*HarperCollins*, \$44.95) A car collector is quoted here as saying, "Some cars are more fun to look at than they are to drive." And oh, what fun they are to look at! Adler shows us the Ferraris, Jaguars and Bugattis of our wildest dreams. Perfect for anyone with midlife crisis but unwilling to pay the insurance.

**The Quilts of Gee's Bend** (*Tinwood Books*, \$45) For almost a century the women of tiny Gee's Bend, Ala.—all of them descendants of slaves—have created stunning quilts, presented here in all their homespun beauty. As a bonus we also get the women's stories, told in their own voices.



1. According to *Cocktail Parties*, if guests linger too long, "go to bed." 2. Actor Roland Lesaffre spoonfeeds Grace Kelly in *Stars on the Set*. 3. The subjects of *Birds*, writes Bateman, are "an inheritance... from previous generations."



## BOBBY FLAY'S Five Cookbooks to Give

**Lidia's Italian-American Kitchen** by Lidia Bastianich "Very lusty," says Flay.

**Patricia Yeo: Cooking from A to Z** "One of the hottest chefs in the country right now."

**The Good Cookie** by Tish Boyle "For the holidays you need to have a good dessert-and-cookie book."

**The Last Course: The Desserts of Gramercy Tavern** by Claudia Fleming "Simple, elegant."

**Great Tastes Made Simple** by Andrea Immer "A wine expert, she's not a snob about her profession. She can help you pick wines for every person."

