

Kidding Around

Share your enthusiasm for all things avian with these bird-inspired products that both adults and kids will enjoy

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This handmade “mini poof” cushion by Zid Zid Kids features an embroidered bird design on colored fabric. The cushion is stuffed with 100-percent cotton, and the flannel cotton cover is easily removable for a quick wash. Contact: giggle, (800) 495-8577, www.egiggle.com

This beautiful mobile from Blabla features a circle of knit blue birds held up by a delicate leaf design. The bird mobile measures 13 inches in diameter, with an adjustable length that can extend up to 78 inches. Contact: Blabla, (404) 875-6496, www.blablakids.com; Arte Bebe, (866) 434-2323, www.artebebe.com

These huggable messenger owl pillows by Flying Fish Design hold notes and messages in its little back pocket. It comes with a special owl note card for your first message. The hand-cut owls are sewn from acrylic felt and stuffed with hypo-allergenic, polyester filling. It is available in blue and red. Contact: Elsewares, (866) 491-5156, www.elsewares.com

Blabla’s adorable bird bank offers a unique spin on the traditional piggy bank. The 100-percent knitted cotton banks comes with a zippered front pocket to hide all your fortunes and secrets. Contact: Blabla, (404) 875-6496, www.blablakids.com

The Zootimers “Talulah the Tucan” [sic] wall clock was originally designed in the 1960s by George Nelson. You can enjoy this vintage design today by hanging this updated version in your kid’s room. Made from printed plastic, the clock measures about 10 inches high. Contact: Velocity Art and Design, (866) 781-9494, www.velocityartanddesign.com



It's Up In The Air line of avian artwork and products includes a Tropicals Collection of parrot-themed merchandise and gifts, such as mousepads, shirts and aprons, for the parrot enthusiast. Created by artist Dawn Steirer-Scherer, the gifts come in a variety of parrot designs including African greys, macaws and lovebirds. The collection also offers children's clothing, including this conure design featured on a bib, onesie and a toddler-sized tee. Contact: It's Up In The Air, www.itsupintheairart.com, info@itsupintheairart.com

A cockatiel named Mr. Scooter inspired the ScooterWare name, which features original, cockatiel-themed apparel and gifts. ScooterWare apparel comes sized for kids as well as adults. The kid clothing line includes sweatshirts, T-shirts and short-sleeved polo shirts. Each is available in a number of colorful designs, such as "Skipper Flock," "Rockatiel" and "Sing." Contact: ScooterWare Kids and More, (919) 341-4961; <http://stores.ebay.com/scooterwarekidsandmore>; www.scooterware.com