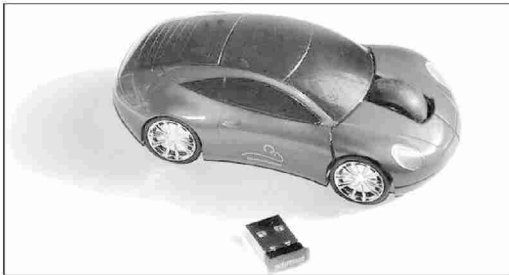


Give a gift he'll honestly like

Nearly half of fathers recently surveyed said they have pretended to like a Father's Day gift they received. Tools are the most predictable gift, said about a third of fathers who responded to a telephone survey conducted by Wakefield Research on behalf of Western Union. About 20 percent said they expect a tie, while another 20 percent think they'll get cologne. If you don't want to be predictable, here are some ideas. *Times staff and wires*



Motormouse 2.4G Wireless Mouse

\$49.95, www.motormouse.us.com

Perfect for the office-bound car enthusiast. This ergonomic wireless mouse in the shape of a Porsche comes in red, silver or black. Just plug a small USB receiver into your computer, wait a few seconds for the device to connect, and away you go.



Turtle Wax headlight lens restorer

Retail \$10.99, major retailers and auto parts stores

Spiff up your dad's car with a car wash and wax. Go even further and give it a "facial" by rejuvenating the headlight lenses with this restorer. Dull lenses can be unsightly as well as dangerous. "A lot of the headlights have a hard coat on the polycarbonate lenses, and exposure to sun makes them yellow or cloud milky white, and repairing or replacing them can be quite expensive," says Michael Schultz, head of product development for Turtle Wax. This kit removes that oxidation with sanding pads, lubricant and sealant.

SoundRacer

\$39.95, www.stufffunction.com

Give your dad a gift of imagination. This device plugs into a car's 12V socket, where it detects the car's rpm changes, and feeds sports car sounds into the sound system. It comes with the revving of a V-8 or V-10 engine. It also acts as an FM transmitter for MP3 players.



JuiceBar Multi-Device Pocket Solar Charger

\$42.83, www.cableorganizer.com/pocket-solar-charger

Never be without a power source for your electronic devices. The JuiceBar uses solar power to charge them up. It comes with 12 adapters to fit the most commonly used devices, including iPods, MP3 players, cell phones, MP3 players, portable gaming systems and more.

