You’ve prepped for this day—baby is on the way! And although your birthing center is stocked with labor and delivery essentials, you still need to pack for the after-party. Here are a few of our tried-and-tested faves to include in your hospital bag, so you can get out the door and on to the greatest adventure of all.

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Not just any ol’ tote, this handsome diaper bag has nine holding compartments to keep everything in place—before and after baby.

Baby K‘tan diaper bag, $90, babyktan.com
1 | Should shoes seem like too much of a hassle (we've been there!), these will keep your tootsies nice and warm. Richer Poorer socks, $16, richer-poorer.com

2 | An accessory that prizes function and fashion. UrbanHalo headband, $15, urbanhalo.com

3 | Who says hospital chic isn't a thing? Ipanema sandals, $38, ipanemausa.com

4 | Your newbie's first OOTD will be one for the books. Seraphine organic layette, $99 for full gift set, seraphine.com

5 | A soft woodland blanket for your baby bunny. Loulou Lollipop muslin swaddle, $20, louloulollipop.com

6 | Stash toiletries in a spill-proof bag. Easy Baby wet bag, $25, easybabytravelers.com

7 | Shower optional, judgment-free. Kaia Naturals dry shampoo, $32, kaianaturals.com

8 | Prime your pucker for 1 million baby kisses. Blistex lip balm, $4, walgreens.com

9 | So you can get one more night of sweet sleep. CVS Health ear plugs, $14 for 50 pairs, cvs.com

10 | For times when walking to the sink to wash your face is just out of the question. RECESS cleansing wipes, $26 for 15, myrecess.co

11 | Have reusable cooling pads handy for nipple relief. Lansinoh gel pads, $10 for two, lansinoh.com

12 | Breathe easy with a portable
A humidifier perfect for small hospital rooms. **Crane travel humidifier, $30, crane-usa.com**

A little bit of bling goes a long way. **ban.do iPhone charging cord, $18, bando.com**

Start penning baby's grand entrance into the world with a precious keepsake. **The Birth Journal notebook, $35, thebirthjournal.com**

This bottle holds your keys and coins for the snack machine. (Very necessary!) **Bindle water bottle, $39, bindlebottle.com**

A supportive bra that's nursing-friendly is a must. **Leading Lady front-closure bra, $24, leadinglady.com**

Keep within reach to soothe dry and sore tatas. **Lansinoh lanolin ointment, $9, lansinoh.com**

Comfy, cute joggers make visiting hours a breeze. **Motherhood Maternity pants, $30, motherhood.com**