A holiday music request station with an Echo Dot

Use this four-part checklist to record the recipient's needs, check the exact model's documentation and prepare a useful gift or handover.

1. Ask the household before setup

Confirm the host wants a voice-enabled device and will manage its account. List the music services the household already uses and check their current compatibility and subscription requirements. A request station does not require sharing an account password with guests.

2. Use the host's documented setup process

Follow the exact Echo Dot generation's official setup instructions. Let the host enter Wi-Fi and account credentials privately. Check network restrictions and permissions in advance, especially in shared accommodation.

3. Choose privacy and purchase controls

Read the model's microphone, voice-history and purchasing controls with the host. Enable the restrictions they choose using the official instructions. Explain the location of the microphone control to guests without assuming its circuit design is the same as another model's.

4. Offer an accessible request method

Put a simple written request card beside the device so guests can also ask the host. Choose a stable location and safe cable route. After the gathering, the host can review account activity and restore their preferred settings.

Record your comparison

Exact speaker model	
Documented requirement and source	
Recipient preference / available space	
Included items and extra cost	
Unresolved question / next action	

Reference: Amazon Alexa Device Support: Voice Purchasing Controls and Explicit Content Filtering

https://www.amazon.com/gp/help/customer/display.html?nodeId=201952610

Follow the full guide and the exact device instructions. Shopping is optional.