5 Tips to Creating a Line Sheet That Retailers Understand

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Let's Get to the Point Here...

This is a Line Sheet.



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Items are sold in cases of 6 units per sku. Stone colors will vary due to natural stones used. Opening Orders consist of 48 units. Re-orders consist of 24 units. All products available 45 days after order is received and processed. Gain additional order & shipping details on attached Order Form



Wholesale \$19 Retail \$38 Sku SB102



Bohemian Bargi in Canadian Jade Bohemian Bargi in Turquoise Wholesale \$24 Retail \$48 Sku SB103



China Cat Gold Wholesale \$24 Retail \$48 Sku SB104



Eyes of the World Wholesale \$29 Retail \$58 Sku SB 105



Green with Envy Wholesale \$39 Retail \$78 Sku SB106



Mediterrian Madness Wholesale \$44 Retail \$88 Sku SB107



Midnight Madness in Silver Wholesale \$24 Retail \$48 Sku SB108



Stella is Wonderful Wholesale \$44 Retail \$88 Sku SB109



Nautically Nice Wholesale \$24 Retail \$48 Sku SB110



Not Fade Away Wholesale \$24 Retail \$48 Sku SB111



Pucker Up Wholesale \$29 Retail \$58 Sku SB112



Purple Haze Wholesale \$24 Retail \$48 Sku SB113

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Our Goal is To Help You Create Line Sheets That Are:

1. Easy to read2. Easy to Order From3. Easy for Retailers to Understand

PLUS!

We want you to know the difference between a line sheet & look book.

A LINE SHEET ISN'T ABOUT VENDORS. IT'S ABOUT RETAILERS.

- Your audience is who matters not you
- Communicate with retailers in mind
- Speak retail "lingo" and avoid wholesale chit chat
- Get straight to the point retailers are busy
- Be concise, clear & correct in your communication
- Cater to retailer's needs, demands and customers

KNOW YOUR RETAIL AUDIENCE!

- What brands are currently sold in their store?
- What are their average product price points?
- What inventory categories do they offer?
- Who are their retail neighbors?
- Who is their customer?
- Who is their buyer?

Why would they want your product in their store?

OFFER DETAILED INFORMATION IN YOUR LINE SHEETS

- If you don't have the details, you aren't ready for line sheets
- Identify all points that a retailer would want to know
- Answer questions before they are asked
- Be consistent with details among each of your products
- Be accurate in your details, offering facts only
- Consider your retail sector & competition to be most effective in your communication

10 MUST HAVE DETAILS FOR ANY LINESHEET:

- 1. Product name
- 2. Sku Number
- 3. Wholesale price
- 4. Manufactured Suggested Retail Price (MSRP)
- 5. Size Options
- 6. Color Options
- 7. Case Packs / Quantity Purchase Options
- 8. Availability
- 9. Order Terms
- 10. Shipping Terms

TIP #3 USE STRONG PRODUCT IMAGES

- Aim for professional looking, even if not professionally taken
- Only use images that are "floating" vs. with a background
- Save lifestyle images for other parts of your Buyers Packet & look book - but not your line sheet
- Be consistent with your photo layout among products
- Be accurate in your photo details, updating photos as products change even a little bit
- Use 300 dpi images or higher for best photo resolution in both print and digital line sheets

WHILE BOTH HAVE "WHITE" BACKGROUNDS, ONLY ONE FLOATS SEAMLESSLY.

Floating Image Example:

Non-Floating Image Example:





Note How The Images Here Do Not Float

& lack in professional appearance



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Lavender Bath Soak – **Sku # EA01** Wholesale \$8 MSRP \$16 Available 3/1/2013



Baby Shampoo – **Sku # EA03** Wholesale \$8 MSRP \$16 Available 4/1/2013



Lavender Baby Shampoo - **Sku # EA02** Wholesale \$10 MSRP \$20 Available 3/1/2013



2 in 1 Baby Gel – **Sku # EA04** Wholesale \$8 MSRP \$16 Available 4/1/2013

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Identify Order Terms & Availability

- Even if you want sales tomorrow, that doesn't mean you are ready to ship
- Be realistic with when product will be available based on production
- Identify availability in one concise statement or per item if it varies
- Identify any exceptions that may occur, such as one-of-a-kind items or limited production runs
- State your opening order terms as well as re-order terms
- List any specials you are offering on line sheets to ensure efficient communication

WHAT TERMS ARE RIGHT FOR YOU?

- 1. Consider Your Production Time
- 2. Consider Your Typical Buying Cycle
 - a. This Will Vary Per Retail Sector
 - b. Refer to Your Industry's Trade Show Calendar
- 3. Consider Your Overhead Costs
 - a. Shipping
 - b. Insurance
 - c. More
- 4. Consider Your Competition
- 5. Consider Your Audience

BE POLISHED, PROFESSIONAL & CONFIDENT IN YOUR PITCH

- Never pitch your product & release your line sheets, Buyers Packet or any other information prematurely
- Be prepared in all aspects of your pitch to be effective in your line sheet review
- Identify what you are currently missing to reach your goal of completing a line sheet
- Include the other essentials of a Buyers Packet with your line sheet

BUYERS PACKET ESSENTIALS:

- 1. Introduction Letter
- 2. Company / Product Overview
- 3. Line Sheets
- 4. Price Sheets
- 5. Order Forms
- 6. Fabric Sample Cards (depends on product)
- 7. Color Sample Cards (depends on product)
- 8. How To Use Sheets (depends on product)
- 9. Look Book
- 10. Press Clippings and / or Testimonials

IN REVIEW:

5 Effective Tips
To Creating Line Sheets
Retailers Will Understand...

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TIP #2

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TIP #3

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TIP #4

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TIP #5

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Final Tip:

Trust Your Product & Trust Your Branding



Line Sheet

Product Details:

The Mommy Mitten is water resistant, durable and machine washable - the perfect combination for busy moms! A heavy-duty Velcro along its edges ensures a tight fit to keep the cold air away from your hands, while also including a generous external zipper pocket for storing keys, cell phones, money or even your baby's pacifier.

When laying flat, the Mommy Mitten measures 18" x 21". When the product is attached to a stroller handlebar, it measures 9" x 21".

Order & Re-order recipes are identified on the Order Form.

Product Materials:

- The outer layer consists of 50% Polyester & 50% PU
- The *insulating core* is 100% Polyester
- The inner layer, which comes in contact with your hands, is 100% Polyester fleece in Pink or Aqua.



Mommy Mitten / Pink Wholesale: \$15 Case Pack / 6 units: \$90 MSRP: \$29.99 Sku #: 804879185406 Color: Pink



Mommy Mitten / Aqua Wholesale: \$15 Case Pack / 6 units: \$90 MSRP: \$29.99 Sku #: 804879185413 Color: Aqua

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Thank you.



