

feasting



Get set. Cutlery (16 pieces), £75, habitat.co.uk



Home is where the art is. Typography print, £19, rocketjack.co.uk

Nibbles time. Tapas board, £32, abodeliving.co.uk



Light your way. Orla Kiely tealight lantern, £11.95, cuckooland.com

Serves you right! Salad servers, £12, habitat.co.uk



On display. Vases and votive candle holders set (with tray), £35, beaumonde.co.uk



Swish dish. Oven casserole, £25, habitat.co.uk

Bowled over. Tapas bowls, £6 each, habitat.co.uk



Mellow yellow. Oil bottles, £33 each, knowandlove.co.uk



Let's eat outside!

'There is no love sincerer than the love of food,' said George Bernard Shaw, reminding us of one of life's simple pleasures. On quieter days when the sun is shining, there is time to prepare dishes we love, uncomplicated or more inventive, and show greater appreciation of the food we share, indoors and out. Make mealtimes a celebration; use your best tableware and play background music or, better still, dine al fresco.

Whatever feels special for you, let's set the scene for fine dining in the comfort of home.

Blogger spotlight



Jo Allison is passionate about cooking simple family food with ingredients from her pantry. Her meals are easy, quick and nutritious, and she favours seasonal, locally sourced ingredients.

At joskitchenlarder.com, she shares recipes for wholesome, tasty dishes without faddy, hard-to-find ingredients.

Try Jo's 'Vegan chilli sin carne' or her hearty 'Butternut squash macaroni cheese'. If you fancy baking, her gently spiced 'Dorset apple cake traybake' looks divine!

Game for a laugh? Quiz, £9, store.wildandwolf.co.uk



Little pleasures. Lucy's Green Pesto Dressing, £3.20, waitrose.com; **Cotswolds Wildflower Gin No. 1, £34.95,** cotswoldsdistillery.com; **Love Beets sliced beetroot, £1,** tesco.com; **Jason's Craft Beer Ciabattin, £1.80,** marksandspencer.com; **Tracklements Heritage Tomato Relish, £3.35,** tracklements.co.uk; **Posh Cow Honey & Cinnamon butter, £2.80,** marksandspencer.com; **St Peter's Without Alcohol-Free beer, £1.49,** tesco.com

For al fresco dining. Salad bowl, £25, johnlewis.com



Touch of glass. Goblet, £46.95 for a set of 6, notjustjugs.com



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1 Marcus Everyday by Marcus Wareing (Harper Collins, £20) **2 Time To Eat** by Nadiya Hussain (Michael Joseph, £20) **3 Table Manners** by Jessie and Lennie Ware (Ebury Press, £22) **4 Fakeaway** by Chris Bavin (DK, £14.99)