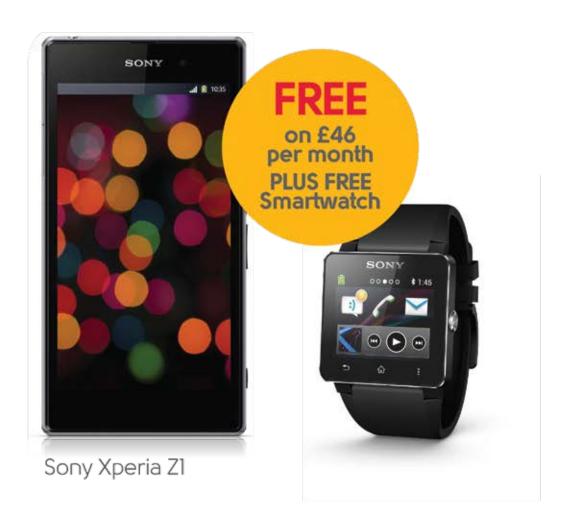






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ur decadence has been stolen. I blame dessert manufacturers and interior designers-turned-TV-hosts. If you hear about someone being decadent nowadays it's more likely to be due to an excessive inclusion of Green&Black's in their chocolate pudding or buying an unnecessarily thick duvet for the spare bedroom.

Decadence, in its literal and historically referenced sense, describes the 'decline of moral, ethical or sexual traditions'. It sounds like a bad thing but, when embraced, frequently resulted in historic periods of a great deal of creativity and fun. Romans would turn in their dusty graves to know a word that is frequently used to reference their excessively indulgent lifestyles is now being used to describe low fat yogurt. Yep, the toga party pros were pretty good at it despite the term not being coined until 1400 years later.

It's a little self destructive as a concept which probably explains why we're not speaking Latin. Decadence is pretty unsustainable. Exhibiting a destabilisation of societal norms, the decadents were the ones you loved to hate; Dandies, Parisian artists - Dubussy, Degas and Toulouse Latrec or the 'dandies'. The sort of people whose peers thought they looked like idiots but were probably having the best parties. An early celebrity, if you will. Imagine a world built on celebrity. There's a horrific thought.

Our use of the word as this month's theme therefore accepts old and new interpretations. It's not as exciting as, comparatively speaking, December is our most decadent time of year, a time for excess, a time for letting it roll, a time for a little bit of extravagance. As we enter the Christmas party season, balls and events dominate and there's a strong chance you'll be spending your time eating, drinking and being merry. Exactly how decadent you choose to be is up to you....

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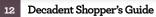
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The Spirit of Christmas market is filled with beautifully decorated Christmas chalets where local artisans and craft workers will be selling handmade gifts. A great place to buy all those Christmas goodies for friends and family - there's something for everyone! Why not make a day of it and get in the Christmas mood... As you tick off your Christmas wish list, warm up with mulled cider, coffee or delicious hot food, whilst enjoying the alfresco entertainment that's sure to put you in the Christmas mood!

O1-29.12.13 THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS HAVRE DES PAS

£35 // 4PM-00AM // 758988 // 280159

David Dale with Empire Events proudly presents The Magic of Christmas - A Spectacular Revue starring David Dale and full supporting cast. David Dale is one of the UK's premiere "drag" performers and he is thrilled to be performing in Jersey. Booking is essential. Dinner 19:30, Cabaret 21:00, Dancing til late, Sundays - Dinner 16:00, Cabaret 18:30 till late. Tickets include dinner and the show! www.jersey.com/events

21.12.13

DODO MOBILE BRINGS SANTA TO DURRELL DURRELL

9.30AM // 860082

Father Christmas will visit Durrell on his Dodo mobile from 9.30 am. If you are at Durrell early and wrapped up against the cold, you can even see Santa as he's driven down to the gorilla enclosure to give them their Christmas stockings, which will be opened by Badongo and the group! Afterwards, visitors can enjoy the amazing £12.50 three course menu in Café Firefly and visit Santa in his grotto.

18.12.13

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

ST AUBIN ON THE HILL CHURCH

£10 // 6PM // 741941

Fancy singing a few Christmas Carols?
Then what better place than St Aubin on the Hill Church! In association with the RNLI, a magical atmosphere will be created with beautiful candles setting the scene.
Drinks and canapés are provided and also a raffle. With parking available at St Brelade's College, at the Church and by the Parish Hall, why hesitate to buy your ticket?



O3,10,17.12.13 CANDLELIGHT TOUR OF THE GEORGIAN HOUSE MUSEUM

16 NEW STREET

£10 // 6PM-8PM // 483193 // ENQUIRIES@NATIONALTRUST.JE

Step back in time to enjoy a magical Christmas of times past. Soak up the festive atmosphere and have a taste of period recipes in the working Georgian kitchen. The museum shop sells a wide selection of gifts perfect for Christmas. Booking is essential, please call the National Trust to reserve your space.

08.12.13

SPECTACULAR CHRISTMAS PARADE LIBERATION STATION

AREA

£FREE // 5PM-6.30PM // 448877

Wrap up warm and brave the cold this Christmas to see one of the highlights of La Fête dé Noué, as a colourful procession of floodlit floats snake past, covered in twinkling lights. Music and dancing will bring it all to life and with hot refreshments on offer, we hope you enjoy this Spectacular Christmas Parade, at the heart of La Fête dé Noué.



06.12.13-05.01.14

ICE SKATE JERSEY

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Get your skates on because the rink is back! Whether you cling to the side for dear life, or dance pirouettes across the rink give skating a go again this year! Why not turn up with friends and family for a great Christmassy day out? Simply skate your socks off! If you get peckish or thirsty, the very popular 'Ice Café' will be open daily, with viewing directly onto the rink. Though the rink is closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day, enjoy your festive celebrations and skate those pounds off afterwards in the New Year!



02.12.13

WREATH MAKING

GREVE DE LECQ BARRACKS

£35 // 7PM-9PM // 483193 // ENQUIRIES@ NATIONALTRUST.JE

Get ready for Christmas with a Small Christmas Door Wreath making workshop. Led by expert, Sharon Donohoe of Secret Garden Flowers, learn about the different techniques used to make your wreath and get creative with the opportunity to make something special to take home with you. All equipment will be provided. Please wrap up warmly. Booking is essential please call the National Trust for Jersey or visit their website where you can pay or reserve your space.

01-24.12.13

ADVENT CALENDAR

The first recorded Advent Calendar as we know them today was made in 1851; today Jersey Heritage continues the long tradition by creating a large scale Advent Calendar. Local Churches and Sunday Schools are invited to draw pictures of the Christian Christmas Story and what it means to them. 24 fantastic pictures will be chosen to tell the Christmas story and a new picture will be revealed each day until Christmas Eve.

14.12.13 LLOYD YATES

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08-19.12.13

JACK AND THE BEANSTALK JERSEY ARTS CENTRE

£15-16 // 7.30PM OR 2.30PM // 700444 // ENQUIRIES@ARTSCENTRE.JE

Jersey Amateur Dramatic Club The JADC (celebrating its 75th year in 2014) presents the classic family pantomime 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. All the well known and loved characters: Titania Trot, Jack Trot, Simple Simon, Fairy Thistledown, Rancid (the baddie) and Giant Blunderbore to name but a few, are brought to life in this fun-packed production, where audience participation is a necessity. So start your year off right with a good old-fashioned belly laugh (you know you deserve it). Oh yes you do, Oh no you don't, Oh yes you do! See you all in Pantoland... For special ticket deals (e.g. family, groups etc) and more info on times and dates, call 700444!

12-15.12.13

NORMAN FRENCH MARKET

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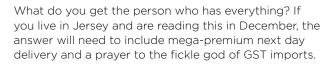
Breathe in the sights and smells of Normandy with everything from home made crêpes and biscuits to saucisson and cider. Soak in the al fresco atmosphere as you browse our visiting traditional Norman-French market.

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Needless to say, try and buy it locally first. If you don't want to be doing next year's Christmas shopping in a high street that only has bookies and coffee shops you are obliged to splurge inside the island. Since HMV shuffled off this mortal coil this might be impractical if you want to buy nan the Human Centipede box set without jogging up Queen's Road in your lunch hour, but at least the charity shops can be relied on to stock John Grisham novels and Steven Seagal DVDs at very competitive prices.

Even if we did have a healthier high street, presents have always been a challenge in Jersey because we are an island of compulsive spenders. The money tied up in our store card accounts, furniture loans and car repayments outstrips the Greek national debt, so your main challenge in treating somebody is getting there before they manically treat themselves after one too many espressos. Like Inspector Gadget I intend to stay one step ahead of my loved ones at all times, so gathered the following tips from Candace Massengil, VIP personal shopper and executive concierge at Dubai's exclusive Shif'ti Shif'ti private banking service.

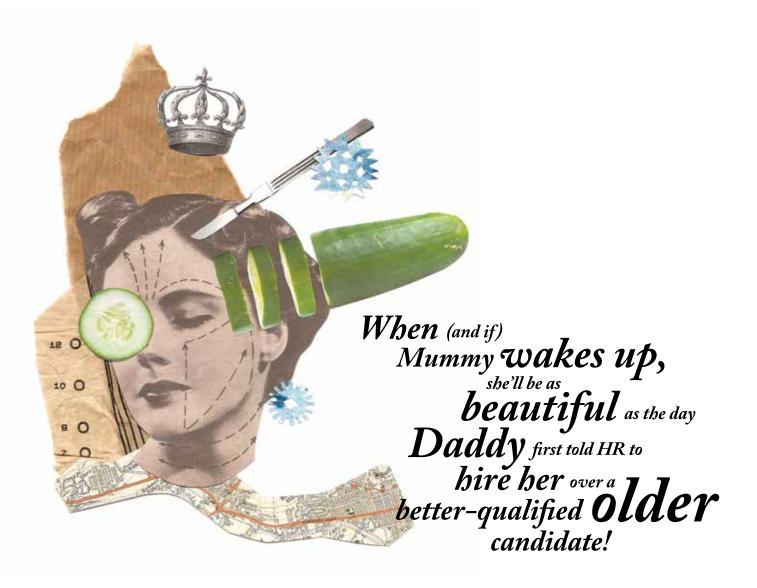


WHAT TO GET ... PRECIOUS LITTLE YOUNGSTERS

It goes without saying that your child will be a social pariah if they don't return to the playground in January with at least a thousand dead prostitutes to their name in Grand Theft Auto V, the latest blockbuster smash from the people who brought you the video game hits Syrian War Criminal, Downtown Strangler 3 and The Sims: Basement Hostage Edition. I assume you've already got them PS4s and Xbox Ones, so if you want to make the other parents jealous, your youngest child will be the talk of the PTA with their real life, genetically-engineered teacup Peppa Piglet. These loyal, surprisingly aggressive mutants are available from a "doctor" in Bangkok who won't tell you his postal address. They are tiny, adorable, and can be used to grow a replacement pancreas or about three very expensive hot dogs.

WHAT TO GET ... HARD TO PLEASE TWEENS

Older boys will be thrilled with the Bugatti Cameron, a carbon-fibre road scooter with a £300,000 price tag and wheels made from crushed up iPhone 5s taken from poorer children's Christmas stockings. Each scooter comes with unlimited legal cover for you to bully anybody who scratches the paintwork when your child runs them over. Girls who've outgrown their Barbie styling heads



will fall head over heels in love with the Lil' Miss Percoset Yummy Mummy Beauty Therapy Centre, which comes with scalpels, botulinum toxin and a licence to practice issued by a University in Ukraine that you can't locate on the internet. When (and if) Mummy wakes up, she'll be as beautiful as the day Daddy first told HR to hire her over a better-qualified older candidate!

WHAT TO GET ... YOUR UNIVERSITY FLYAWAY

Time away from the Island in your early 20s is the perfect opportunity to spread your wings, travel the world and earnestly pretend that your parents don't own a granite farmhouse with its own stables and uniformed maids. Why not engage the services of Instant Karma life makeover, who will guarantee that your child arrives in Gatwick with a brand new identity. Perhaps the 'Krishna Juggler' - battered acoustic guitar, compendium of anecdotes about Indian railways and clip on dreadlocks with bits of coloured glass in them? Maybe your offspring is more the 'Pete Docherty Brown Sugar' and will bloom into a grave-like pallor with mockney elocution lessons and a flat in Camden shared with emaciated supermodels and a pile of greasy trilbies. Don't worry Tarquin, your secrets (and trust fund) are safe with us!

WHAT TO GET ... THE EXECUTIVE BOSSMAN

Only the best will do for the workaholic corporate overseer of your home, and you'll need to find something he hasn't already invested in as a vehicle to avoid the tax on some ethically questionable stock options. We recommend the Porsche Cayenne Shopping Trolley: modelled on the 6-litre scourge of small roads everywhere, this gleaming chrome beast comes with twin bluetooth headsets and has the ability to block an entire aisle in Marks & Spencer. It has super powerful infra-red sensors that positively encourage you to crush a cyclist in the car park.

If dad can't go to the supermarket in case he gets kidnapped by Russian gas officials, you could also get him a yacht with a smaller yacht with a boat inside, a moon-rock nanofibre squash racquet or some aftershave made from the tears of an extinct rhino.



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WHAT TO GET ... WORK SECRET SANTA

At this time of year HR

At this time of year HR will be sending out email reminders not to buy secret santa gifts at the "erotic gift shop", which can make it tough to strike the right balance of tawdry, annoying and useless, that characterises the secret santa ritual. We say avoid a disciplinary hearing and get them something work-related, which in Jersey means a home Document Management System, a massive lawyer leather briefcase or an executive toy to count down the billable hours whilst your office junior does some photocopying. Why not pick up a copy of Guess Who?: Know Your Client Edition, in which the childhood classic is spiced up with a heavy dose of regulatory compliance. "Is he a disgraced Conservative MP? No. The frontman for some Congolese diamond merchants? No. Fleeing Siberia with a snowmobile full of roubles and Faberge eggs? You guessed it!"

WHAT TO GET ... THE OLDER GENERATION

Christmas gets harder every year for Jersey's retired generation, frustrated by the inexplicable good timing that lead them to purchase property in the 70s, earning both a gigantic wodge of cash and the right to sermonise about how today's young people need to work harder. That's right granddad, we'll work harder to build a time machine, travel back to a post-war economic boom and stop your generation from greasing the housing ladder with your poor planning decisions and buy-to-let property bubble. Thanks for not doing anything about climate change whilst you had the chance, I hope you enjoy being in a nursing home built on an old Emeraude ferry and staffed by terminators.

As our retired parents appear to spend most of their time posting bitter comments on newspaper websites or playing golf, I suggest sneaking into their bedrooms at night and hooking them up to a hyper-realistic virtual reality simulation from Total Brainwash Incorporated. Unaware that reality is an illusion (is reality), they must aim to get a hole in one whilst avoiding the music of Skrillex, "political correctness" and Miley Cyrus's gyrating buttocks. The only way to make these modern horrors disappear and return to a reality spent watching the Grand Prix in salmon chinos is to defeat a boss (high blood pressure), who triggers an affidavit signing over your entire property portfolio to your children. Merry Christmas everybody!

What do you get for the person who has everything?
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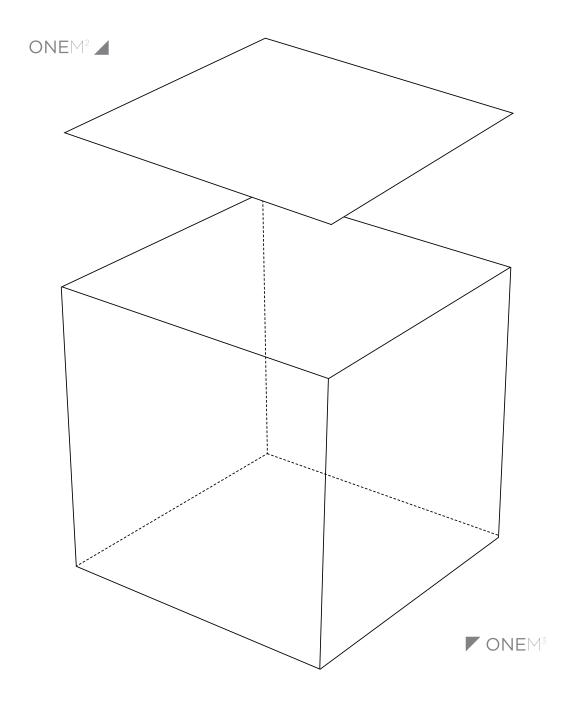
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30,000 BC: early man discovers alcohol via the fermentation of blackberries. Spends the next morning discovering both the concept of the hangover and what it feels to be devoured by sabretooth tigers in Gorey

200 BC: Jersey evolves a pagan fertility cult centred around the hallucinogenic visions experienced by Ethelred Notley, turnip farmer from St Peter and self-styled "Lord of The Purple Seagulls". For years it was assumed that Notley experienced his visions via the consumption of magic mushrooms, until scientists arrive at the consensus that "he was a bit of a wrong un who liked shagging and making things up". His DNA is shared by 80% of people born in the north of the island.

800 AD: Middle Ages. Decadence for most people extends to not dying of the plague and occasionally lighting a candle to go to the toilet at night.

1175: Pioneering house of ill repute constructed in St Helier, offering 2 for 1 flagons of mead and free entry for saucy wenches b4 11. Resulting syphilis outbreak decimates island population and leads to a permanent ban for minstrels who play lewd ballads.

1465: Jersey's first underground gambling den is established, at the Scabby Pigge Taverne. Sailors gather to drink rum, lose their meagre earnings and exchange naughty etchings of their favourite cabin

1700s: As Jersey has no foxes, and our aristocrats are too lazy to travel to the continent for big game hunts, the lords of Jersey hunt peasants under cover of moonlight. This tradition only dies out in the 1930s when Viscount Squiffington-Choames of St Clement shoots and eats a family of 3 on holiday from the Wirral. He is fined eight guineas.

1785: Breda first synthesised from ox urine.

1809: Alphonse Florian D'Ullecourt, dubbed "Maufant's own Marquis De Sade", is arrested after attempting to marry a cart horse. He is charged with failing to pay the correct tax on the animal's shoes, and is later electrocuted whilst experimenting with a steam-powered bottom vibrator.

1815: Leading romantic poet and scandalous aristocrat Lord Byron arrives in Jersey following a drunken wager that he will expose his John Thomas to every vicar in Christendom. He writes three poems and seduces the Bailiff's grandmother before being smuggled to Algiers in a crate of tomatoes.

1838: Following the recent invention of photography, history is made when a family out on a medicinal hike discover an obscene daguerrotype in the bushes at Grouville common. It depicts a lady with her bodice partially unlaced; polite society is scandalised.

1853: Newly returned from a tour of South America, local doctor Horatio Smythe is believed to be Jersey's first cocaine addict. The dangers of the drug are not yet known, and it is years before Smythe's habit of prescribing Bolivian marching powder to local children is understood to be a poor remedy for nervous disorders and gout. Smythe himself was socially excommunicated for becoming overbearing at dinner parties and greatly exaggerating his skill at the harpsichord.

1876: Alexander Graham Bell invents the telephone, which is immediately followed by the first telephone box adverts for the services of ladies of the night. For eight years, Jersey's sole telephone box is visited only by prostitutes as there is nobody for anybody else to call.

1921: The Jazz Age reaches St Helier. The streets echo to the music of Duke Ellington, and all work ceases for an hour at lunch times for people to dance the Charleston, smoke 'reefer' and drink gin martinis. This lasts approximately three months, before a mob of enraged squares smashes all the Art Deco windows, burns a pile of spats and drives all jazz musicians to swinging Alderney, daddy-o.

1936: Zeppelin mooring station established at Sorel point.

1944: "Sexy Gestapo officer" voted the most popular halloween party costume for the fourth year running.

1986: In a doomed attempt to reverse the ailing fortunes of the Island's tourism industry, part of Fort Regent is converted to an adults-only venue that boasts "blue" comedians, live darts and overweight strippers from Hull. The site is currently mothballed, but as the kegs of Mary Ann Bitter have an expiry date of 2046 it has been proposed for redevelopment if a packet of Rothmans ever goes back below four pounds.

1988: Police intelligence records an inexplicable rise in house parties, bunker parties and people found dancing around the cassette aisle of Woolworths at 9am on Saturday morning. Recommendation is to not investigate further, as undercover officers report that "everybody here is well sound" and "The Shamen are buzzing". King size blue Rizla is offered at countryside garages for the first time.

1989: Wall Street-style banking excess reaches St Helier, leading to much shouting and a dramatic inflation of the value of loud ties, hair gel and dwarf butlers with cocaine mirrors on their heads. Huey Lewis and The News briefly consider relocating to Aquila Road.

2009: A burlesque fetish Club opens in St John's Village, but closes months later when it is realised that there are too few art students willing either to do a tassle dance onstage or sit in the audience trying to look like a stage magician from 1930s Paris. All concerned go back to improvised comedy and watching pornography on the internet for free.

2011: A vicious bare knuckle boxing society is discovered operating out of Trinity Parish Hall. Farm labourers are paid in pound notes to strip naked and beat each other unconscious before a howling crowd rejoicing in brute animal bloodlust. Local pensioners stage a protest when concerned officials attempt to replace the illicit gladiators with indoor bowls and cribbage.



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LETTERS GALORE

A Harry Potter fan suffering from leukaemia had her sixth birthday wish of receiving a letter from abroad come true - when she received more than a million birthday cards.

Oliwia Gandecka, from Zielona Gora, Poland, was diagnosed with the disease last year and in a bid to keep her spirits up, her family asked her what she would want for her birthday.

She said it would be magic if she could get a card from abroad, because Harry Potter's start to a better life had begun when he was sent hundreds of letters on his birthday inviting him to attend Hogwarts.

A campaign was started on Facebook and on Harry Potter forums as "Her big dream was to get a very large number of birthday cards." "Just one card would have been enough to see her smile, but she was grinning from ear to ear when she saw all the well wishes she received from all over the world."

Oliwia's mum Natasza added: "We had a problem keeping this a secret from her because there were so many. You can imagine her delight when she saw them all on her birthday."

YOUNG OUTLAWS

Two little girls aged 7 and 9 who left their toy Barbie car on the roadside overnight were shocked to wake up to find they had been given a parking ticket. Police officers in Utah issued an 'abandoned vehicle' ticket, reports KUTV. The girls' father spotted the parking ticket attached to the windscreen of the 2ft high pink car which has 'Barbie' printed on its side. Thankfully, closer examination revealed there was no fine or summons - just a friendly reminder about the laws of the road. Phew!



FROZEN PINTS...

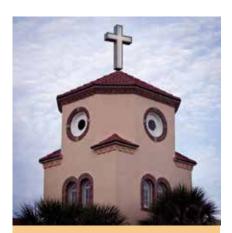
A New York firm believes it is the first in the world to create and sell alcoholic beer-flavoured ice cream.

The ice cream, called Frozen Pints. comes in seven different flavours and the strongest tub (Pumpkin Ale) has a alcohol level of 3.2 per cent. Ari Fleischer, 29, founder of Frozen Pints from New York, said how the quirky concept actually started by accident. He said: "We were having a party and a friend brought over an ice cream maker to make homemade ice cream. "But another friend spilled a beer nearby, and I watched it happen and thought: 'This is a great idea!' Ari added: "You must be of legal drinking age to purchase and consume this ice cream!"

FIVE FACTS

- US scientists calculated that Santa would have to visit 822 homes a second to deliver all the world's presents on Christmas Eve, travelling at 650 miles a second.
- The chances of a white Christmas are just 1 in 10 for England and Wales, and 1 in 6 for Scotland and Northern Ireland.
- In 1999, residents of the state of Maine in America built the world's biggest ever snowman. He stood at 113ft tall.
- The Greeks celebrate Christmas on January 7, according to the old Julian calendar, while Xmas presents are opened on New Year's Day.
- In the Czech Republic they enjoy dinners of fish soup, eggs and carp. The number of people at the table must be even, or the one without a partner will die next year.





Go to your happy place..

You've heard about people seeing Jesus on their toast, well the funny phenomenon of finding faces on everyday objects is called pareidolia.

This month we bring you a friendly one... 'The Chicken Church' Church by the Sea, Madeira Beach, Florida.

Have you seen one in Jersey? Send one in to us! editorial@gallery.je

Amazing phrases we don't have in English...

TOUJOURS TINGO

'Tis the season to go to parties....

Partigangare (Swedish) - a fanatical party goer

 ${\bf Binasohan~(Bikol, Philippines)} - A~dance~in~which~three~partially~filled~glasses~are~balanced,~one~on~the~head~and~one~on~each~hand$

Laumaelain (Finnish) - a gregarious party animal

Nijikai (Japanese) - an after-party

Kanariom (Yoene, USA and Mexico) - the first tune played or danced

Paglaguma (Tagalog, Philippines) - the act of joining others in a party though uninvited



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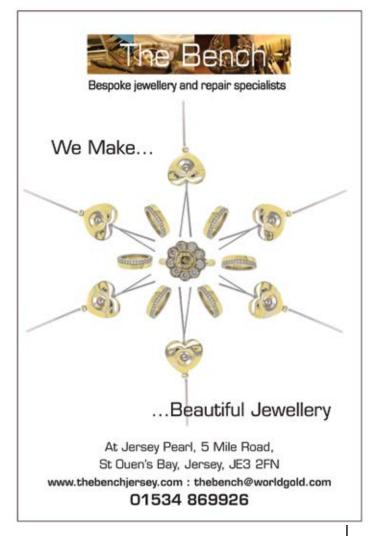




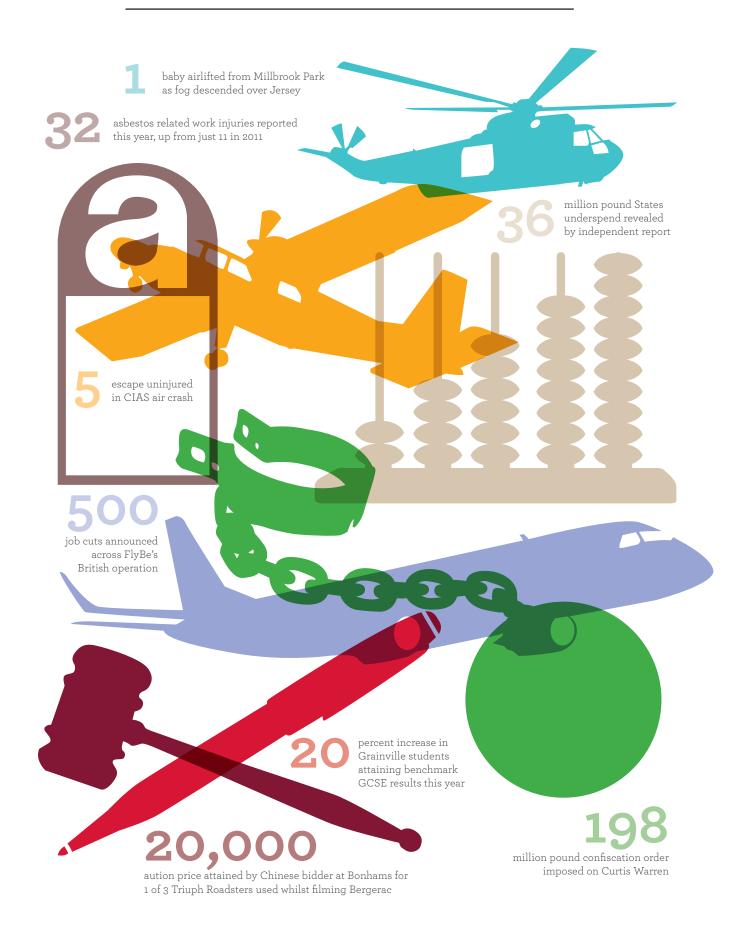
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NEWS IN NUMBERS







Peacocks

words | Dierdre Shirreffs

Surely the peacock is the most brightly coloured of all animals and its spectacular feathers with their multi coloured green, orange and blue eyes were much prized and used to decorate clothes in the decadent Flapper era of the 1920s.

Tiffany, the famous glass designer, used peacocks in his stained glass windows. However many people believe it is unlucky to take peacock feathers into their house.

The peacock is native to India and is their national bird. Strictly speaking only the male should be called a peacock – the correct name for the female is peahen – but most people use peacock to refer to both sexes. Only the male has the beautiful train and he uses it to impress the females. One male can have a harem of up to five females,

all attracted by his colourful feathers. The colours are not due to pigments in the feathers – these are actually brown- but due to the microscopic structure of the feathers causing light interference which results in the iridescent colours, like oil on water.

They are ground-living birds although they often fly up into the trees to roost. Their diet is varied and consists of plants, fish and insects. They will even eat snakes in the wild. They can live up to 50 years.

In Greek mythology Argos (or Argus) was a many-eyed monster, whose ability to see in all directions made him an excellent guard. When he died, Hera the queen of the Gods paid tribute to him by putting his eyes into the tail of a peacock, her favourite bird. The peacock butterfly which is common in Jersey gets its name from the eye-like coloration on its wings.

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SEAL PUP RESCUE - "WHAT COMES UP MUST GO DOWN"

Last month Donna de Gruchy (Jersey local coordinator, British Divers Marine Life Rescue (BDMLR) Jersey) received a call from the Jersey Coastguard and Martin Speller who was with his family out at Les Minquiers for the weekend. They were concerned about the welfare of what they believed to be a young seal pup stranded high and dry on the main island.

Newly trained marine mammal medic Gareth Jeffreys is also a crew member with Jersey Seafaris and Richard Stevens who owns the business agreed to take the BDMLR team out. A team of eight medics and skipper Richard Stevens had a bumpy ride out to Les Minquiers. With the tide against them, and the risk of being stuck out there with a beached RIB, the team had to move fast. "The pup was well and truly stuck and had we not done anything I highly doubt he would have survived, he was in such a position where high boulders surrounded him that it seemed impossible for him to climb out. He was really feisty and aggressive which put the team at high risk of receiving a nasty bite but we all agreed it was the only chance he would have". For regular updates please join their facebook page BDMLR Jersey CI or contact Donna on 07797 728551

JC

Breed: Jersev Bean

Age: 35yrs

Likes: Roast chestnuts, hollandaise sauce (not together) & helping dog owners to train

Hates: Hot weather, parsley (again, no necessarily together) & dog owners who

If you were an animal? A cat

Interesting facts: I've recently moved back to Jersey and set up DogWorks - dog training & behaviour

Most impressive thing ever

GREY (left) & SLATE

(right)

Breed: Slovakian Rough Haired Pointer & Weimaraner.

Age: 6yrs & 9yrs

Likes: Hunting, retrieving, game, hotdogs ear scratches & playing tug.

Hates: Baths, after having rolled in disgusting things.

If human would be: A clown (Grey) and a neurotic ballerina who also works as a security quard (Slate).

Wants: Food, always,

Interesting facts: Slate & Grey are working gundogs. Their owner, Jo, runs Dog Works' dog training & behaviour (http://dogworks.org.uk).

Most impressive thing ever

done: Won out of Novice & Graduate classes in UK gundog working tests; won the Guns' Award in UK field trials; hold the KC Working Gundog Certificate.







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NEW EY TRAINEES TEAM UP WITH JCG **ECO CLUB** FOR SUSTAINABILITY DAY AT DURRELL

With Environment and Education at the centre of EY's strategy, the day at Durrell gave an insight into sustainability at a global level yet the opportunity to get involved with a grass roots project. Carl Howarth, Principal of JCG said: 'This is a tremendous opportunity for our students to continue to improve their employability skills and develop further insight into sustainable living. Not only are our students future leaders in business they are also human beings inhabiting a world which needs and deserves decision making focused on preserving our earth for future generations. We are thankful to EY and Durrell for this insightful opportunity.'

Reflecting on the interaction between the trainees and JCG students, Jackie Hankin, HR Leader, EY commented: "Many students find it a little daunting joining the working world but by using opportunities like this it not only educates them on a subject of importance but it also allows them to form acquaintances and find out from our associates how they made their career choices and discuss the world of work so far.

THE KING CENTRE

Jersey Hospice Care's new day care facilities have been opened within the newly built King Centre which is adjoined to Clarkson House. The name of the centre reflects the enormous contribution that the late Jurat Mrs Jean King MBE and her husband John have made to Jersey Hospice Care. Mrs King was a founder of the charity and later a patron and Mr King still gives his time as a Hospice volunteer and is particularly involved with the charity's shops. The ground floor comprises a lounge and dining room, small coffee shop, hairdressing room, arts and crafts area and quiet room and assisted bathrooms as well as treatment and

consulting rooms and offices. Outside there will be a kitchen garden with a greenhouse and purpose designed planters. On the first floor there are two training/meeting rooms which will be available to hire out as well as being used by the charity for staff and volunteer events and meetings. This latest phase of work has cost around £2 million and the charity is asking islanders to 'Buy a Brick' for £10 or to contribute towards the cost of specific items.

For more information, visit: www.jerseyhospicecare.com, call the Fundraising team on 510349 or visit Facebook.com/JerseyHospiceCare and Twitter.com/JerseyHospice.



POST EARLY TO SEND CHRISTMAS WISHES FOR LESS

Islanders can look forward to a Christmas bonus this year by posting their cards and letters early to friends and family at a reduced price. The special offer from Jersey Post covers items sent locally, to the UK, Europe and internationally, over a two week spell, bringing people closer together during the festive period. During the promotion, cards and letters weighing up to 100g can be sent locally for 40p, reduced from 45p. Items weighing up to 100g destined for the UK and other Channel Islands will cost 50p, instead of the usual 55p. The Europe rate covering items up to 40g will be 60p, down from 65p and customers will save 15p on international mail up to 40g, paying 95p an item rather than £1.10. The reduced rates run from 27 November until 11 December only. Normal rates will resume at the end of the period. The initiative coincides with the launch of this year's Christmas stamps. Called 'Christmas Fayre', they feature traditional Christmas foods, including a Christmas pudding, a gingerbread house and yule log. The stamps have been designed by Michael Pollard, who has painted a number of issues for Jersey Post, and they will be available to buy from 27 November. Four are for use during the promotional period, and the other four are for once the reduced tariffs have ceased.

The stamps will add Christmas cheer to any envelope. They also make an ideal stocking filler or collectable for anyone wishing to buy a First Day Cover or Presentation Pack, available at Broad Street or online at www.jerseystamps.com.

JERSEY POST PILOTS

COMMUNITY CARE INITIATIVE

We all love a postman, even our office dog. A pilot scheme launched by Jersey Post could capitalise on this and set a new direction for care in the community. It is being hailed by those taking part as a ground-breaking initiative, which will help not only a large proportion of the community benefit with social inclusion, but also those who are carers. The Call and Check scheme is being launched in St Brelade on Monday 4th November, with the help of the parish authorities and a number of community organisations. The concept is simple. Posties knock on the door of those people who have signed up to the scheme on a regular basis, depending on the frequency requested by the customer. The postie will check that everything is alright and ask whether the individual has any immediate needs or issues.

Anything that is reported will be passed on to one of the relevant partner organisations for them to respond appropriately. All posties on the scheme will have had an appropriate police check. They are not intended to be health carers or medical workers, rather will be a bridge between the individual and the experts, a familiar and smiling face to let people know they are being checked on. The trial scheme in St Brelade is being funded by Jersey Post and will run for three months.

Anyone wishing to take part needs to complete a form, available by emailing callandcheck@jerseypost.com. Individuals can also be referred by a third party such as family and friends, their doctor or voluntary and community groups.

RBC GET WET

25 volunteers from RBC Wealth Management have been working with a team from the National Trust for Jersey to help integrate the new Wetland Centre into the surrounding environment by planting a 'green roof' at the site. The RBC Wealth Management volunteers spent Saturday 9 November helping the National Trust team with planting the green roof and assisting with the restoration of the reed bed, which is being developed to draw birds and other wildlife toward the viewing area. A green roof is a sustainable alternative to traditional roofing that involves partially or completely covering the roof of a building with vegetation. By restoring the natural landform created by sand dunes in the area, the newly-planted green roof helps to minimise the visual and environmental impact of the Centre being constructed to allow islanders and visitors to learn about

and observe the local wildlife. Green roofs come in many forms but usually consist of a waterproof membrane installed over a deck, the installation of irrigation and water drainage systems, a growing medium which varies in thickness depending on what it will support and then finally the vegetation itself. The vegetation layer will be carefully selected to provide a more natural finish and include indigenous species.

Jon Parkes, Senior Countryside Ranger, National Trust for Jersey, said: 'A crucial element of the Wetland Centre project is that it has the least possible impact on the surrounding area, whilst offering the greatest level of access for visitors to the hide. Thanks to the tremendous support from the RBC staff this groundbreaking scheme is now close to completion.'





SPORTING PENGUINS EXCEL

Sometimes it's quite easy to get caught short at a formal event and end up walking home. Last month's tux and trainers fundraiser had it covered. Guests were invited to The Grand Hotel on Friday 1 November dressed in Black Tie, but not with the usual high heels and polished shoes, but instead, guests were asked to wear training shoes. The unusual dress code has raised over £10,000 for two Autism charities; Ambitious about Autism and Autism Jersey. The aim was to raise around £5,000 from the evening, but due to the generosity of many local businesses, family and friends, they doubled the target. The event was organised to help the fundraising efforts of two islanders in their challenge to run the London marathon in 2014. Victoria Vawser-Ringsdore and Tim Ringsdore, neither of whom are runners, decided they will run the marathon in 2014 to raise money for a cause they both believe in - Autism. Victoria and Tim said; "To raise this amount from one event is absolutely fantastic, we have more fundraising plans between now and the marathon next April, so we are really excited to see how much we will raise in total. We can't thank everyone who supported the event enough, especially The Grand hotel and all of our supporters and sponsors".

Anyone wishing to sponsor Victoria and Tim are asked to follow these links:

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background, or the reasons for this absence, females wishing to kick-start their careers now have a helping hand.

A vast number of Ogier's female clients have donated clothing to the cause. These clothes were be circulated by the two charities involved – Brighter Futures and Jersey Women's Refuge, whilst the Clothing Maintenance Company were on hand to keep the clothes in tiptop condition.

Joy O'Gorman, the Facilitator at Brighter Futures is delighted to be involved in such a worthy cause and is more than happy to be one of the appointed charities taking part. Looking the part, as we all know, helps us to excel at interview stage. And whilst searching for a job is nerve racking at the best of times (writing cover letters, updating CVs, waiting in anticipation for the phone to ring, it's all par for the course). Putting together a clean look can be as important as preparing yourself mentally.

Local bands 'No Strings Attached' and 'Archive One' provided the entertainment for the evening. Other names involved in helping to put this fantastic event together include Marks & Spencer, who kindly donated the clothing rails and hangers, as well as a £50 hamper for the raffle, the Soap Mill, who put together a £50 basket of some of their best products and Delta, who ensured that everything electrical ran smoothly.

Aside from donating a working wardrobe, a large number of Ogier's female lawyers offered assistance and support – contributing to a voluntary service that will help local women with the career development process from start to finish, including preparing CVs and practising interview techniques.

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HOTEL CRISTINA GENERAL MANAGER COMPLETES TRAINING BEFORE **WINTER MOUNTAIN MARATHON**

The general manager of the Hotel Cristina,

Steve Hayes, has recently completed his training ahead of his latest challenge, The Spine Race, which is a 268-mile, non-stop, 7-day winter mountain marathon across the Peak District and Yorkshire Dales in England. Steve attended the Mountain Spine Race training weekend on 9th & 10th November to test equipment, food, pacing and to meet fellow challengers before the event takes place in January 2014. The Spine Race covers a trail between Edale and Kirk Yethlom, and the training weekend involved a 42-mile race to simulate the number of miles required per day to complete the race in January. 'It was a demanding exercise that also included a six hour walk/run in complete darkness to test my navigation skills. The tough weather conditions also allowed me to check the suitability of my race equipment before the real race in a few month's time.' The Spine Race follows a number of other challenges that Mr Hayes has accomplished in recent years. In October 2012, he completed the English Channel Swim Challenge in 17 hours and 47 minutes. The encounter involved a 21-mile swim from Dover to Callais and raised over £4,000 for the Teenage Cancer Trust.



ONE: MILLION POUND DROP

New beneficiaries this quarter include musicians Katie Le Feuvre, Gabriella Cassidy and Chris Hanby; the local Special Gymnastics Team, the Jersey Netball Association Talent and Performance Development Programme, the Jersey Football Association Charter Standards Project and the Société Jersiaise "Artist in Resident" scheme. The Council are delighted at the extent of the 'Community Giveback' which all beneficiaries undertake in return for sponsorship. This ranges from sports teams working with academies and holding have-a-go sessions to individuals going into local schools and holding workshops and giving presentations.

Katie Griffiths, Commercial Director of the One Foundation said; "We are delighted to see so many people in the local community benefitting from our funding. Our local philanthropic network continues to grow and it is great to see so many of them supporting us every year. Our investors have confirmed their confidence in the governance and financial controls we have implemented to ensure funds achieve maximum impact. We are also excited to be working with some fantastic corporate partners. On behalf of the One Foundation team, I would like to thank all our investors, as they have made a real difference to our local community."



ANNUAL FEST RETURNS

TO THE BENEFIT OF LOCAL CHARITIES

CharityFest returned on 1st November 2013 thanks to the kind sponsorship of its creators at La Cantina restaurant. The exciting initiative saw La Cantina restaurant donating 10% of the entire revenue generated throughout November to three local charities. CharityFest was created by the Calvani family in 2009 with the aim of fundraising for local charities and generating much needed awareness. So far over £15,000 has been raised over the past four years. Each year the Jersey charities are chosen by the staff at La Cantina to benefit from CharityFest: one lesser-known charity, one established charity and one food related charity. The three benefactors of this year's initiative are Spina Bifida, Cancer Research UK Jersey and Diabetes Jersey. This year Marcus Calvani, managing director at La Cantina put a twist on Charity Fest by creating two unique menus designed around the charities' causes to coincide with the initiative. The Diabetes menu included Diabetes friendly super foods and the Cancer Research menu included anti carcinogenic ingredients.

EVENTS



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Iconic Album Cover Art Show CCA GALLERIES INTERNATIONAL THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

Music and art lovers were treated to a truly unique celebration of iconic album covers designed by the late Storm Thorgerson. In celebration of Storm's extraordinary career in design and following his untimely death earlier this year, StormStudios and CCA Galleries International brought together a retrospective of his most famous work. The exhibition featured a plethora of images

from the beginnings of Storm's career as co-founder of Hipgnosis to his more recent work with StormStudios, from those created for well-known bands like Pink Floyd (including the famous prism design for 'The Dark Side of the Moon'), Led Zeppelin, Biffy Clyro and Muse through to obscure and rarely seen gems.













Joules and White Stuff Launch VOISINS TUESDAY 29TH OCTOBER

Pink sheep, ducks and a children's play area can only mean one thing...the arrival of Joules and White Stuff in Voisins Department Store. Approximately 300 Voisins' VIPs flocked to the store for the preview evening and launch event of these exciting

brands. Guests were entertained by The Voice contestant Murray Hockridge and also enjoyed a selection of Jersey refreshments including Pompette from La Mare Wine Estate and black butter and clotted cream scones provided by Café 1837 in Voisins.





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Morton + Morton, MyPad & The Loving Chair Company Launch MORTON + MORTON SHOWROOM ST PETER THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

Three fantastic companies have joined force. The Morton + Morton Showroom now also houses two home-grown companies; MyPad and The Loving Chair Company. The shop is full to the brim with an interiors visual feast. Guests gathered at this fun event and were treated to drinks and canapés as they snapped

up some great deals on the night. It is the ideal place to get some unusual Christmas gifts, as well as gorgeous furniture and home accessories. Pop in when you're next driving past and see their new wow-factor showroom for yourself!













Le Gallais Pre Christmas Drinks
JERSEY MUSEUM
FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

F Le Gallais and Sons have had so much fun sponsoring the Jersey Heritage art exhibition this year, Victorian; All Change, that they decided to invite their friends, clients and suppliers to a party to share it with them. As it nears its 188th year, Le Gallais is one of the oldest family owned and run businesses in the UK, and is still run by the MD's Great, Great, Great, Grandson. The event was to thank all staff, clients and suppliers for all their hard work and support over the past few years during which the business has made many changes to ensure its continued success.







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deGruchy Charity Beauty Night
THE DEGRUCHY BEAUTY HALL
THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

The Charity Beauty Night injected a bit of sparkle into a rainy November night. Guests were treated to bubbles, nibbles, goody bags and raffle prizes and as well as a complimentary file and polish from

de Gruchy's Nailbar. Many guests took the chance to get a bit of early Christmas shopping done! Best of all over £450 was raised for deGruchy's annual charity of choice Headway.













Victor Hugo
Champagne & Wine Tasting
BANJO

THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

Victor Hugo held an inaugural tasting of Grande Marques Champagnes and Prestige Wines. 160 guests were treated to a selection of fine wines and champagnes from Krug, Laurent Perrier Grand Siecle, Cloudy Bay and Cheval des Andes to name just a few. Suppliers and producers were on

hand to guide guests through the tastings and there were even some wines that have not previously been available on the island as a surprise for guests to sample. It was the perfect event to ease everyone into the festive party season. We're already looking forward to the next event!



















An evening with RT Hon Dame Tessa Jowell BANJO

WEDNESDAY 16TH OCTOBER

EY held an evening for invited guests in October with keynote speaker Dame Tessa Jowell. The evening was organised as part of an EY strategy to help build a better working world and, in particular, focus on ways the role of women in the marketplace can be enhanced through

working with governments, corporations, advocacy groups and non-profit making organisations. Dame Tessa has become emblematic for many of this wider drive to deliver greater gender equality and the event drew a broad audience from the business community to hear her speak.













Glamour & Goodness Event OGIER

THURSDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

This fantastic event in aid of Brighter Futures and Jersey Women's Refuge really wowed lucky guests. The Ogier building was full to the brim of beautiful niche boutique stalls selling everything from bespoke Balar jewellery and homemade make-up bags to brownies and sumptuous Chilli Kitchen chutneys.

Delighted guests leisurely browsed all the stands with a glass of bubbles in one handit was a brilliant way to get some Christmas shopping done! The organisers Anna Johnson, Imogen Hardy and Nicola Roberts hope this will become an annual event, and we do too! Read more on page 27.

TRAVEL





Les Portes du Soleil is one of the largest ski areas in the world with 650 kms of pistes and 197 ski lifts. It is located in the Alps, between Mont Blanc in France and Lake Geneva in Switzerland, just 1 hour from Geneva International Airport, which is serviced by Blue Islands direct flights from Jersey on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays during the winter.

This region includes the eight French ski resorts of Abondance, Avoriaz, Châtel, La Chapelle d'Abondance, Les Gets, Montriond, Morzine and Saint-Jean-d'Aulps. There are also five Swiss resorts: Champéry, Morgins, Val d'Illiez, Les Crosets and Champoussin.

Well-linked by road and slopes, some of the resorts are picturesque towns with pretty chalets, while some have more modern buildings. In the region you will also find ten snow parks and 90 on-slope restaurants.

The Portes du Soleil ski area enjoys exceptionally good snowfall from mid-November to the end of April, with an average of 8m of powder every year. A main attraction is a circular route through the linked resorts straddling the French-Swiss border which can be done in either direction and gives a great sensation of travel.

From the 26th to the 30th March the area hosts the fourth Rock the Pistes music festival which has live music concerts throughout the Portes du Soleil's slopes, "Concerts staged in the wildest settings at the heart of the ski area... The best International and French pop-rock artists... A music festival like no other in Europe, all you need to see the gigs is your lift pass!"

Avoriaz is a purpose-built car-free resort, and as such, is probably the best designed, as the resort is sunny whilst most of the local slopes are shady. It is perched on a shelf above a cliff with long

-established Morzine down in the valley below. The whole resort is ski-in-ski out, and your luggage is taken to the hotels by horse drawn sleigh or shuttle from the underground car parks or the new Prodains gondola from Morzine.

There is an outdoor family skating rink right in the resort centre and the new Aquariaz water park which has been designed as an aquatic paradise in the mountains featuring lush vegetation and rocks: a river with a variable gentle current, a slidewinder (a kind of aquatic halfpipe), a water playhouse, a large pool with climbing walls, and the must-try: an open-air spa heated to 34 degrees!

Morzine is a busy Alpine town with a lively spirit. Traditional wooden chalets with slate roofs and stone foundations ensure that the village, which runs along both sides of a river gorge, retains is character and Savoyard charm, and is as popular in summer as in winter. It is one of the livelier

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French resorts for apres-ski, and several places around the base area get busy as the slopes empty.

The bulk of the Portes du soleil linked area is reached via Avoriaz, however the local area which is shared with Les Gets is a fair size and also has some wooded slopes giving plenty of tree-lined runs, which is a good place to be in a snowstorm. For Snowboarders the slopes are great for all abilities and have very few draglifts, the more adventurous should hire a guide to explore off-piste.

Les Gets is situated on the col between Samoëns and Morzine, at the western edge of the Portes du Soleil ski area it is a small traditional, village, with cosy chalet-style restaurants and accommodation which have a very French feel. The Centre of the village is fairly pedestrian-friendly and a popular outdoor ice rink adds to its charm.

In Les Gets, the Ranfolly area is a wide bowl with a variety of runs, from the long and fast to the odd tricky black! The runs down to La Turche are definitely worth skiing and the new six man express chair at the bottom gives you a speedy return. When snow conditions are good, you can't beat getting over to Mont Chery. The skiing is great and for some reason not at all crowded - you never seem to queue for lifts! For the more advanced don't miss out Chamossiere and Pointe de Nyon. Chamossiere has some of the best bump skiing in the Portes du Soleil!

JerseySki.com now offer packages to the Portes du Soleil. In Morzine we have a choice of self catered apartments, half board hotels, and catered chalets with a passion for food. In Les Gets a hotel which offers bed and breakfast or half board options, and in Avoriaz we can offer the allinclusive Club Med, with lift passes and ski lessons for all standards included!

"From the 26 to 30 March the area hosts the fourth Rock the Pistes music festival - Concerts staged in the wildest settings at the heart of the ski area... The best International and French pop-rock artists... A music festival like no other in Europe, all you need to see the gigs is your liftpass!"

From the 13-15 December Avoriaz kicks off the season with the Fête de la Glisse and the Rock On Snowboard Tour. Three days of snowsports, concerts and events to start off the season with a bang and try out the very latest new ski and snowboard equipment. I will be there to test out this season's new skis and report back, so watch this space!

To find out more about ski and snowboard adventures from Jersey, and even tailor made options, give Geoff a call on: 07797 738 180

BECAUSE QUALITY MATTERS gallery



What is it that makes the French Alps the benchmark of luxury skiing? The high altitude? The exquisite cuisine? The in-house spa manager who anticipates your every need? Perhaps that's what attracts so many Channel Islanders to the mountains. However, for some a holiday isn't enough and they've been able to forge a career from a relationship with the snow. Whether you're looking for a pool designed with gold leaf tiles and a drop down movie screen or a sumptuous chalet boasting a platform to some of the best views across the valley, welcome to Jersey and Guernsey's luxury chalet providers...



Dinner will be with your shortly. Ready to eat at Marco Polo

JERSEY'S CONSENSIO: THE BEST OF THE FRENCH ALPS

Consensio operates some of the finest chalets in the world; each comes complete with a team of four hospitality professionals including your own personal chef and chauffeur. They are all within easy reach of Geneva and Chambery, the two alpine hubs serviced by direct flights with Blue Islands. We asked Ceri Tinley their Managing Director which is the most decadent in these resorts.

VAL D'ISERE: SUITE DREAMS

Marco Polo sets the standard in this high-altitude resort. This chalet is packed full of facilities and technology. The first two entire floors of the chalet are dedicated to your wellness; the pool is designed with gold leaf tiles and has a drop down movie screen which sits alongside your Jacuzzi and sauna. Downstairs, your in-house spa manager provides complimentary treatments in both the massage and beauty rooms, which are located next to the large gym that features two of each machine – allowing you to work out together. This chalet has its own wine cellar where you can enjoy bespoke wine tasting, accompanied by a local variety of cheese and ham, whilst the chalet bar area is perfect for relaxing with a pre-dinner drink and canapés. With its decedent appeal, it comes as no surprise that Marco Polo was recently awarded with the title of Best Chalet in France.

COURCHEVEL 1850: VANTAGE POINT

Shemshak Lodge, named after the Iranian ski resort, is a perfect example of ski-in, ski-out luxury. Located on the blue Plantrey piste, in the heart of this famous ski resort, the location makes this a perfect chalet for experienced or beginner skiers alike. Shemshak offers an alternative to the typical alpine chocolate wooden chalet design, created with top London designers; it is bright and airy full of interesting art and pictures. There are panoramic views across the valley from every floor of this large chalet. The spa area has floor to ceiling windows and the large pool is located beside the hammam, sauna, gym and massage room. This chalet comes complete with state of the art technology which is linked via a central system, allowing all the latest movies and tracks to be streamed into every room.

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Grand living at the Grande Corniche

LES GETS: A TOUCH OF GLASS

Grande Corniche is a newly built chalet located in the heart of the vast "Portes du Soleil" ski area, only a short drive from Geneva. This gorgeous chalet boasts a number of special features, which makes it truly unique. The grand piano sits proudly in the lounge, whilst the upstairs bar is pre-stocked with all of your favourite beverages. The slide, which takes you from the bar directly down into the wine cellar and snooker room, is probably the most popular feature with guests of all ages! The glass sauna offers fabulous views over the snow-capped trees, whilst the outdoor Jacuzzi is the perfect spot to enjoy a post ski glass of champagne.

CONSENSIO CHILDREN: A WINTER WONDERLAND

The mountains are a magical place for both adolescents and adults. From English speaking nannies to on-tap chefs, if your children are happy, then so are you. On arrival, younger guests will be met by Charlie Bear (a unique cuddly toy, theirs to keep), as well as their very own personalised kid's challenge card. From designing their own pizza with the in-chalet chef, to creating the craziest snow dance, and building the best snowman, they'll be faced with a series of challenges throughout the week. Spellbinding experiences include an expedition to your own private igloo as well as husky sledding, whilst family birthdays are welcomed in true style with the addition of a magician and fireworks.

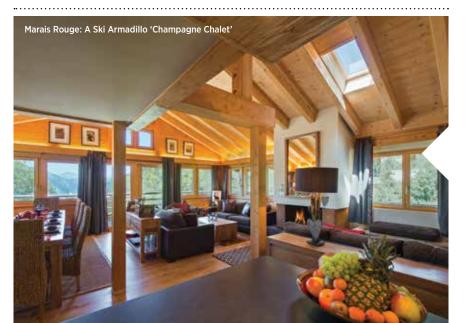
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GUERNSEY'S **SKI ARMADILLO**: THE TOAST OF VERBIER

'Style and Verbier go together like Roger Federer and designer sweat bands' and this picturesque village certainly boasts a serious ski obsession. Celebrated as a world-class resort, the area claims some of the most impressive skiing in Europe, a fantastic choice of luxury accommodation, panoramic views and a stylish après-ski scene to match.

Throughout the winter months, Verbier becomes a multi-hued Mecca of indulgence and fun! From celeb spotting to rainbow-clad seasonnaires, there's something to suit all. You can even shake up a cocktail or two in the comfort of your own chalet, allowing you to create your very own private party in the Alps. It's here you'll stumble upon the legendary backcountry powder, as well as over 412km of expertly groomed pistes in the 4 Vallees region. If its luxury you're searching for, you've certainly come to the right place, from retail therapy to fine cuisine and an abundance of champagne opportunities, Verbier's reputation precedes itself. No wonder the resort poses as a playground to A-lister's such as Prince Harry and Richard Branson.

MARAIS ROUGE:



A ROOM WITH A VIEW

Positioned close to a mountain stream in the heart of the village, Marais Rouge boasts some of the best views in town. Finished to the highest of standards, this top alpine chalet is home to all of the mod cons you would expect from such a luxury establishment, comprising a cinema room, a sauna and a hot tub. Just a stones throw away from the Medran lift station, the fine dining, the shops and the nightlife, Marais Rouge boasts an ideal location. However, if you prefer to spend the evening in the comfort of your own accommodation, the in-chalet chef, trained in some of London's top eateries, is guaranteed to cook you up a storm!

The icing on the cake – Marais Rouge is one of Ski Armadillo's Champagne Chalets. Guests will be treated to champagne and canapés six nights of the week, alongside homemade petit fours and a dedicated driver service. Extras such as childcare, massages or restaurant reservations can all be arranged with the on-tap concierge service. Sleeps 12

ROCKSTEADY: LET ME

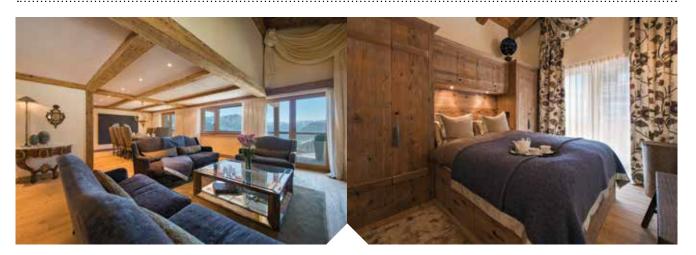






Completed to the highest of standards, this eco-friendly chalet boasts panoramic views across the valley (many of which can be enjoyed from the outdoor hot tub), a vast entertainment area, huge bedrooms, uniquely designed bathrooms and a contemporary style. With over three floors of accommodation to choose from, comprising two sitting rooms and a cinema room, there's plenty of space for friends and family.

Included with the accommodation is your very own chef – there to provide a gourmet four-course dinner, champagne and canapés six nights of the week, homemade petit fours, breakfast and afternoon tea. You'll also find a dedicated driver service and an on-tap concierge for whatever else you may need. Sleeps 10 + 2



BASALTE TROIS ROC: AN ARCHITECTURAL DELIGHT

Contemporary touches have been combined with the magic of a luxurious alpine chalet. If it's an exceptional chalet experience you're after, you've certainly come to the right resort. From the local stone bathrooms to the exposed wooden beams, Basalte Trois Roc boasts an extravagant feel – the epitome of luxury living.

The chalet sleeps eight guests across four fabulous bedrooms and boasts a picturesque living area with views of the mountains and beyond. Designed by the architect of the Trois Roc development, the attention to detail is astounding.

Positioned just a few steps from the main ski lift, this is the perfect option for those looking for a base close to all of the action. Guests are also granted the use of the W hotel's spa and facilities.

From morning tea in bed to a four-course gourmet meal and your very own driver service, this Champagne Chalet offers a definite decadent appeal.

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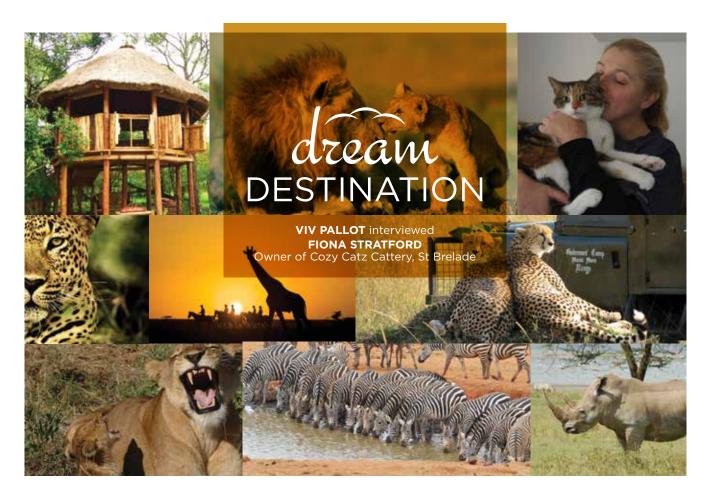
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YOU'RE AN ANIMAL LOVER AND WORKED IN THE VETERINARY ENVIRONMENT FOR MANY YEARS - HAS THIS INFLUENCED YOUR DREAM DESTINATION, FIONA?

Definitely. I've always dreamt that for my 50th birthday, I'd put on a backpack and go off on a Safari in Kenya, staying in one of the tree houses.

ALONE?

If I thought I could get away with it, yes! But my kids would enjoy it too - they've inherited my love for all creatures, great and small.

SO, A FAMILY SAFARI THEN?

Yes - but my boys would enjoy it each for different reasons. Logan (14) wants to be a vet, and Kyle (15) would just love the safari experience. And Ben (24) is incredibly artistic; his pencil drawings of animals are so realistic people think they're photos. He just graduated from University in graphic illustration and photography.

YOU'D MENTIONED YOU'D LIKE TO STAY IN A TREE HOUSE? WHY?

Actually, I'm petrified of heights but as long as I didn't feel faint while looking over the edge and land in a lion's mouth (!), I think there'd be some really great views of the animals in the distance as well as from up close up. The monkeys often climb up into the tree houses and I'd love to see that ... they're such funny creatures to watch.

WHAT TIME OF YEAR WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO?

For me, the best time would be when the weather's warm and dry but not too hot, so April or May. But I'd probably want to stay for a while - after all it is my dream and I'd want to be able to take it all in. But I'm petrified of flying too...

It's the zebras I'm really looking forward to seeing. I'm desperate to see one in the wild!

TWO GREAT FEARS TO OVERCOME NO LESS! YOU'RE REALLY SURE ABOUT THIS?

Oh, yes! I just get so excited by the idea of seeing those big game animals roaming around freely rather than caged in captivity. And anyone who knows me knows that my greatest passion is to help animals - to help prevent suffering and to give them the respect and freedom they all deserve.

I'm a keen supporter of WSPA (World Society for the Protection of Animals) and also Born Free. The world can be a cruel place when it comes to animals. Nature can be cruel too, of course, and I'd hate to witness a "kill". But there's nothing more rewarding than helping animals from suffering in any way possible. The love they give you back is truly unconditional.

ARE THERE ANY ANIMALS YOU'D PARTICULARLY LIKE TO SEE?

As much as I'd like to see the "Big Five" (lion, elephant, buffalo, leopard and rhinoceros), it's the zebras I'm really looking forward to seeing. I'm desperate to see one in the wild! I love them and the noise they make! They're incredibly beautiful and intriguing to watch. My house is full of zebra pictures and ornaments. Ben has actually promised me a drawing ... maybe this Christmas?!

AND YOU'RE FOND OF FELINES TOO ... FROM BIG CATS TO DOMESTIC ONES ...

My Mum was fond of cats too. It was always our dream to set up an indoor Cattery, but she passed away four years ago. Cozy Cats opened in July and I get loads of referrals from vets and other catteries. My boys come in and help with playtime twice a day to stimulate the cats and to give them loads of cuddles and kisses. It's funny to watch the cats interacting with the sounds and pictures on the feline DVD and I get lots of satisfaction from knowing the cats are all happy and cosy.

My partner, Scott, thinks I spend more time with the cats than I do with him! But I love the peace and quiet in here – and the cats can't answer you back!

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CULTURE

MERCURY

WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER - 8PM

Manchester-based quartet Mercury return to Jersey after their acclaimed shows at the 2013 Jersey Jazz Festival. This is the final date of their UK tour, showcasing their self-titled first album. With a sound drawing influence from a huge variety of places outside of the Jazz tradition, they bring new textures and compositional flavours into their improvised music without losing sight of the Jazz voices of Britain and Scandinavia.

"A whirling sound that sits somewhere in the space between contemporary jazz and popular music" — Manchester Jazz Festival

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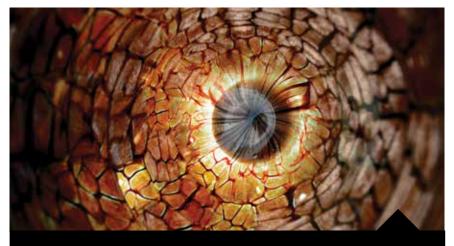
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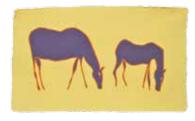


IN A GLASS OF ITS OWN

Local author Adrian Odell has recently published his work on the philosophy of art within the context of murrine vases made by Vittorio Ferro, which is available on Amazon, under the title: Murrine from Murano - "One Man's Art in the Glass of Another".

Adrian comments: Colourful and dynamic art inspires me. However, I never expected it to lead me on a life-changing journey. A physical and intellectual journey. Physical because it involved the discovery and examination of vases of extraordinary beauty from Venice and Murano, Italy. Intellectual because it involved deep reflection about the meaning of art and its function as a "repository and conduit of culture". My journey centered around the work of Vittorio Ferro. With a working life in the glass industry of 67 years, he was one of the world's greatest masters of murrine glass. My interest fast became multi-dimensional, I began photographing vases and went to Venice and Murano to find out more. Publishing became important to complete what had become a significant and passionate part of my life. This book records my journey. A "vasegraphy" (va:z-e-grafi) or study of 67 rare murrine vases made by Vittorio Ferro, one-third signed, revealed in a kaleidoscope of Venice and Murano, and my new understanding of art. A photographic journey with a fresh approach to glass.





THE ANIMAL ART FAIR: LONDON

This event is unique as it's the only Fair in the UK dedicated solely to Animal Art. It showcases the 'greatest contemporary animal artists each year' - being a 'mix of well known names and emerging talent'. The Arts Fair is in it's 3rd year and features artists' work from Britain and around the world. Local Artist Matt Falle will be exhibiting 10 pictures at this prestigious event so if you are over in London this Christmas visit this brilliant pop up exhibition 9th-22nd December at The Gallery 273 Fulham Road, Chelsea, London, SW10 9PZ.

Pictured are 'Equine Mother n Foal' and 'Enigmatic Presence' - both are gouache on paper by Matt Falle



ART FOR A GREAT CAUSE

You may remember the artist Nikki Baudains, who featured in our last issue. After raising almost £1000 for the Jubilee Sailing trust, she's once again been busy creating awareness for this great cause. Her recent exhibition, which launched at the beginning of November in the shape of a silent auction at the Royal Channel Island Yacht Club, now takes pride of place at the Framing and Arts Gallery on 61 New Street.

The launch generated a great deal of interest, allowing Nikki to sell a further six paintings, whilst being commissioned to create various others. The high of the evening however, came when the JST committee invited Nikki to board their next mission – an all expenses paid trip to Malta, which will see her set sail on February 23rd.

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69 HALKETT PLACE: A POP UP (OR TEMPORARY) SHOP IN TOWN AND A HUB FOR CREATIVITY, A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN COME A BE INSPIRED, LEARN, GET INVOLVED AND BUY.

69 halkett place is a temporary shop, but it'll be run like a permanent shop. It will be used as a place for its owner, Ben Robertson, to test the water of his dreams - not only to run an art gallery but one which doubles as a giftshop, cafe, studio space and classroom all rolled into one. The shop will house an extensive library of creative magazines and books for you to browse on their comfy sofas, and inside there's art from a whole host of local talent, including:

GF: A 19 year old urban artist who sells his paintings all over the world. GF will be painting live in the shop, on objects ranging from mopeds to pieces of furniture, all of which will be for sale as well as much of his current work, also on display.

LAUREN RADLEY: Lauren is living in Jersey, but originally hails from London and her talent lies in illustration. Inspired by the sea, her work is very bright and colourful. She has recently sold work to giants such as Wickes and B&Q, and has also produced work for Ted Baker and Coffee Republic.

Kartoon Faktory: A local satirical cartoon company which has been growing over the last year - if you haven't heard of these guys yet you must have been living in Guernsey!

Fresh Prints: The owners' trading name, he creates as much as he can whilst freelancing from the Kartoon Faktory and working on as many projects as physically possible. He's also recently opened a summer art gallery in a Victorian hotel in Havre des Pas and can often be found illustrating for Gallery magazine as well as working on his own range of t-shirts and beanies.

Syrup & Kudos: A South African graffiti artist and a Guernsey graffiti artist, mainly working on canvas, who recently sprayed their work onto the back of Romerils in Dumaresq Street.

SAO2971: A french graffiti artist. Most of his work is painted onto sourced furniture and objects like tonka toys, and who also contributed to the Romerils murals.

Tommy Gun: A Jersey-based graffiti artist, mainly working with stencils.

There are more artists to come, and each artist is encouraged to change their exhibits as much as possible. They'll also be pooling their creative juices to create collaborative art pieces in the shop itself, just one of an array of activities and events during late night shopping hours, as well local musicians performing and even free mulled wine, mince pies or soup on selected Thursdays.

69 HALKETT PLACE

(in-between La Capanina, and the Normandie shop, and just over the road from Bean Around The World)

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THE MONTHLY UPLOAD

WANT TO WIN £100? EMAIL YOUR PHOTOS (AROUND 4MB IS A GOOD SIZE) WITH THE SUBJECT 'UPLOAD' TO: UPLOAD@GALLERY.JE BEFORE THE DEADLINE OF **15TH JANUARY 2014** AND YOU'LL BE IN WITH A CHANCE.



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IT MUST HAVE BEEN A FALLOW MONTH FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS BECAUSE WE ONLY RECEIVED THESE THREE ENTRIES. DESPITE THE LOW QUANTITY, THE QUALITY OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS WAS REASSURINGLY HIGH SO THANKS FOR SHARING YOUR WORK YOU THREE! BUDDING PHOTOGRAPHERS: GET THOSE CAMERAS READY AND GET SNAPPING FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN £100 IN THE NEW YEAR! THERE'S NO THEME BUT THE DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15TH 2014.

IF YOU'RE THIS MONTH'S WINNER (YES NIGEL, THAT'S YOU) CALL GALLERY HQ ON 811100 TO CLAIM YOUR PRIZE.

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HUGE SUCCESS FOR LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHER

Andy Le Gresley's image taken at St Catherine's has been Commended by the judges a the National Landscape Photographer of the Year Awards. The striking black and white image of St Catherine's breakwater was taken on a calm morning just as the sun was rising with a long exposure so that the viewers eye isn't distracted by the different textures in the clouds and from the ripples in the water. The picture was also the personal 'Judge's choice' of acclaimed Photographer and judge Rupert Grey.

If you are over in London this winter there is a brilliant exhibition of the entries, including Andy's work, on at the National Theatre from 7th December 2013 until the 8th February 2014. To see more of Andy's work visit www.andylegresley.com



SING-A-LONG-A-ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW

Why not do something totally wacky for your Christmas Party? Imagine (or maybe don't) your male colleagues trussed up in corsets and suspenders, your female work mates doing the Time Warp, and your boss belting out all the words to... the Rocky Horror Picture Show. Aptly screened on Friday 13th December, this night out to sing-along to the cult classic, equipped with your personal 'free fun bag' (kinky!), will surely be the ice-breaker everyone needs to wind down before Christmas...you may not want to show your face at work on Monday!

Jersey Opera House | Friday 13th December | Tickets: £13.50-£15.50



GET CRAFTY!

Be inspired by all the arty folk featured in our culture section this month and get creative with your Christmas correspondence.

This beautiful mailing set, including stamps and stickers, available from The Jersey Pottery shop in town is ideal for getting the kids excited about writing thank you cards.



UK PINK FLOYD EXPERIENCE

As close to the real thing as you're going to get, this tribute band is now respected in its own right. Effortlessly recreating all the Pink Floyd classics, these top class musicians sound just like the real deal. Shut your eyes, sit back and listen to them deliver hits from Piper At The Gates Of Dawn, Ummagumma, The Dark Side Of The Moon and many more of the legendary rock band's albums.

Not just a show, you're promised a real Pink Floyd Experience at the Jersey Opera House | Saturday 7th December | Tickets: £20



COME IN FROM THE COLD...

and buy a ticket to one of the exciting performances throughout January at Jersey Arts Centre. Oddsocks are back with their swashbuckling version of the classic Treasure Island; guitar legend Jim Cregan and growling rock vocalist Ben Mills team up for a one-night-only concert; and riotous folk-punk band Crowns are back in the Island after appearing at Glastonbury. They also have a wide range of courses and workshops available for all ages. And don't forget the exhibitions in the Berni Gallery!

For more information about the above performances, or to book tickets, call their Box Office on: 700444 or have a look online at: www.artscentre.je

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MARTIN SIMPSON

Having been nominated 26 times at the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards – more than any other artist – and a two-time winner of the Musician of the Year Award, Martin Simpson is a definite must-see in Jersey's music calendar. Performing at Jersey Arts Centre on 7 December, he will play from his brand new album, Vagrant Stanzas, as well as songs from favourite past releases. After performances on Later...with Jools Holland and at the Proms, you can expect a night of beautiful music performed by a true guitar expert.

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Eiffel Tower (large lenticular), Sir Peter Blake (2013)

MIXED CHRISTMAS SHOW FEATURING SIR PETER BLAKE

Featuring a selection of festively inspired work from their favourite artists including Sir Peter Blake's 'Father Christmas', Damien Hirst's awe inspiring 'Cathedral Prints', Dan Baldwin's eye catching originals and Joe Webb's latest editions. The show will also include some fabulous treasures from the archives.

Celebrate Christmas this year with CCA Galleries International. The mixed Christmas show opens on Wednesday 4th December until Tuesday 24th December 2013. CCA Galleries International, Royal Court Chambers, 10 Hill Street, St Helier, call 739900 for more information.



STEPHEN K AMOS

"If laughter is the best medicine then Amos should be prescribed by the NHS" was one reviewer's opinion of this stand-up comedian. A master of feel-good comedy and audience interaction, Stephen K Amos promises a night of fun and big laughs. You'll have seen him on Live At The Apollo and Have I Got News For You. Now allow his medicinal material to work its magic on you at this live gig at Jersey Opera House.

Saturday 25th January | Tickets: £18







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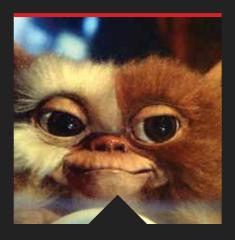
AND DON'T BE A NO-SHOW!

There's so much lined up for 2014 including Moscow City Ballet, The Mousetrap, Ruby Wax, Suggs, Jason Manford, Russell Kane and An Evening With Stars from Strictly Come Dancing. Be in the know by joining out mailing liet at jerseyoperahouse.co.uk



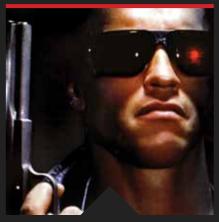
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THE GALLERY GUIDE TO THE BEST STANSET CHRISTMAS FILMS



GREMLINS (1984 dir. Joe Dante)

You all know the rules: Don't get them wet. Don't expose them to bright lights. And never, ever feed them after midnight. Unfortunately Zach Gallighan's mate Corey Feldman hasn't read the script and gives his furry a friend a bath, setting off a chain of events that culminates in a mob of monsters terrorising a small American town. Joe Dante's 1984 horror comedy, written by Home Alone director Chris Columbus and executive produced by Stephen Spielberg, was a commercial smash, raking in over \$150 million at the box office, and film scholars have had much to say about its underlying themes. Gremlins has been described as a comment on the decline in the American motor industry, hailed as a satire against consumerism, capitalism and technology, and as a critique of mainstream cinema audiences' penchant for violence. Of course, none of this matters if you prefer to just sit back and enjoy the blood and guts. Amazingly, for a film which features death by bulldozer, stairlift and microwave, Gremlins was rated PG on its release - prompting widespread walkouts and complaints. Happy Christmas!



TERMINATOR/TERMINATOR 2 (1984/1991, dir. James Cameron)

Barely an issue of gallery goes by when I don't mention Terminator, Terminator 2 or Arnold Schwarznegger at some point, and I haven't quite figured out why. He just seems to be a relevant reference point in a lot of the nonsense that I write. I apologise to anyone who may be sick of hearing about him. But, the combined narrative of Terminator and Terminator 2 (let's ignore the subsequent sequels) is effectively an alternative take on the nativity story. There's a baby, John Connor, on its way and it's going to save the world. It's the chosen one. Why? Because in the future, he's laying the smackdown on robots - so it's sort of prophesied, from the perspective of the future, when you think about it, that he is The One. And it's sort of a virgin birth. How, you ask, she was (SPOILER ALERT) knocked up by the dude from the future in the first film? Yes, but since said dude (SPOILER ALERT) dies in that film, but hasn't even been born yet (because he's from the future), then in a way, kind of, he doesn't yet exist and therefore it's a virgin birth. Got it? And there are three wise men: Kyle Rees - aforementioned future dude, Arnie - who starts off being really out of order in the first one but makes up for by being pretty decent in the second film, and then there's T1000, who's a right bastard for the duration of T2, but is undoubtedly wise. He must be; he's from the future, can impersonate ANYONE to perfection, and his hands turn into knives. Am I clutching at straws? Possibly. Look, Terminator's a Christmas film, okay?



SANTA CLAUS CONQUERS THE MARTIANS (1964, dir. Nicholas Webster)

Presently ranked number 86 in Imdb's influential 'Bottom 100' and given an average score of 2.8 out of 10 in reviews on Rotten Tomatoes, Santa Claus Conquers the Martians is widely regarded as one of the very worst films of all time, but that hasn't stopped it from gaining a worldwide cult following. In fact, it's had the opposite effect, with the film held in a similar 'so bad that they're not just good, but ingenious' regard as the likes of Troll 2 or Ed Wood's Plan 9 From Outer Space. It's worth watching for the premise alone. In the movie, Martian rulers decide that their children are growing dissatisfied with life on Mars and need a bit of fun in their life – a Father Christmas figure, say. So they promptly kidnap Santa from earth and take them back to their home planet. It all gets even sillier from there on in. The sets are rickety, the costumes appear to have been made from items found in a skip, the acting is so wooden you could build a shed out of it, and the plot is absurd. And for all that, it has 'Tim Burton remake' written all over it.

 There's a fair chance we'll all be sitting down at some point this month to watch some traditional Christmas movie fayre - It's A Wonderful Life, Miracle On 34th Street and Jingle All The Way (okay, maybe not the last one) - but how about ushering in the yuletide season with some of the finest alternative Christmas films ever made. Some that didn't even know they were Christmas films. Here's a brief rundown of some of our favourite alternative movies for the holiday season - sometimes dark, sometimes twisted, but all very much in the spirit of Christmas. Well, not all of them...



MONTY PYTHON'S LIFE OF BRIAN

(1979, dir. Terry Jones)

'So funny it was banned in Norway!' was the slogan adorning the movie posters upon Life of Brian, such was the furore caused by its perceived blasphemous content on its release. In the UK, 39 local authorities banned it from being shown in cinemas, yet that wasn't enough to prevent it from becoming a worldwide hit and it's regularly cited as the greatest comedy film of all time. Even the local council of Torbay have cottoned on to its brilliance, finally lifting the ban on the film in 2008. For those that don't know, the film concerns the rise and fall of a mistaken messiah, Brian, who begins the film as a newborn baby just a few stables up from a certain infant named Jesus. Three wise men get the wrong address and come bearing Brian gifts in the shape of gold, frankincense and myrrh and the rest, as they say, is history. Life of Brian contains some of film's funniest ever gags - "You're all individuals"... "I'm not!" being just one of them, and "He's not the messiah, he's a very naughty boy!" being another. It may have caused a fuss at the time, but it's 2013 now and we're all grown up enough to know that it's not blasphemous, but very, very funny. However, you'd get long odds for it being shown in BBC One's prime time slot on Christmas Day.



BAD SANTA

(2003, dir. Terry Zwigoff)

In some ways Bad Santa is the archetypal Christmas movie; bad guy starts bad, behaves badly for a good part of the film, before seeing the error of his ways and finding some sort of redemption at the end. This goes almost like that, but the silver screen has never seen a bad guy at the centre of a Christmas story quite as bad as Billy Bob Thornton's shopping mall Santa, Willie. A con man, chronic boozer and sex addict to boot. Willie finds a vulnerable and naïve young boy who believes him to be the real Santa Claus, and promptly decides to take advantage of him, moving into his house, eating his food and drinking the drinks cabinet dry. Bad Santa pushes the envelope in terms of taboo - it's generally accepted in Hollywood that children are second only to dogs, insofar as it's not okay to expose them to violence and bad stuff in general, even if it's only make-believe. Bad Santa cares not for such petty concerns, and delivers us a Santa who swears like a drain and drinks like a fish in the presence of the youngster, and goes on to kick seven bells out of a group of kids at one point. This may all seem to be the antithesis of the spirit of Christmas, and I suppose it is, but it serves a purpose. If you find yourself experiencing an overload of Christmas cheer and need a dose of cynicism before you can get back in the mood, Bad Santa may very well be the reset button you were looking for.



IN BRUGES

(2008, dir. Martin McDonagh)

Is In Bruges the darkest movie set at Christmas ever made? It's important to specify that it's a movie set at Christmas. Whether you consider it a Christmas movie is a matter that I'll leave up to you. It features some of the staple ingredients of a Christmas movie - redemption, soul searching and, importantly, it's set at Christmas time - but then again it contains many other elements that you won't find in your typical yuletide tale. Decapitation, suicide and a psychopathic mob boss all play key roles in the narrative of In Bruges. For all that, it's a comedy, albeit a black, black comedy, and a masterful one, written and directed by Academy winner and acclaimed playwright Martin McDonagh - and features Colin Farrell, Brendan Gleeson and Ralph Fiennes in some of their finest ever roles. Effectively a twisted buddy movie, In Bruges is wrought with tension, heartbreakingly sad and at times so oppressive it's almost impossible to watch. Yet funny - how is that?

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My flat smells of cat poo. Not just a hint of it either... I'm sad to say it's fully permeated with the pungent pong of feline faecal matter. I thought kittens were supposed to be cute and dainty and little. How can they produce such large amounts of waste in one sitting?

Honestly, I'm not even mad - mainly just impressed. You know when fishermen catch massive fish and get a photo standing next to it to boast about the size and weight? That's what I feel like doing every time I clean out the litter tray. I don't do that though, because that's borderline psychotic. The reason I'm even mentioning it is that one of the many things I've done in the last month is get kittens, two of them no less! They've settled in nicely, they're adorable, and my hands are covered in scratches.

My other big news is that I got a job! Like, an actual, proper, real job! The temp role I was in lasted two weeks... it was meant to be three, but I got offered a permanent position somewhere else and they wanted me to start ASAP – which I was, and still $\,$ am, very excited about. I'm on the editorial team in this new place and I'm even doing a bit of writing and amateur reporting. I'm not a journalist, but what's cool is that they've got me jet setting all over the place to meet people and go to events and all that jazz. Already, in the space of one month I've been to London twice. Chichester and even ventured as far north as Birmingham! Maybe jet setting is a bit strong... Let's just call it train trundling.

I do enjoy a bit of train trundling, and I'm a fairly frequent rail-user. One might even say I'm a train enthusiast... actually, one had better not... they don't call me 'Cool-Guy Farnham' for nothing – I've got a reputation to maintain. Anyway, in the first few weeks of my new job I've been doing it even more than usual. These trips, it seems, are going to be an on-going occurrence, which is great because the more I do it, the more I get to

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witness strange happenings and overhear surreal conversations. Off the top of my head, the two occasions that stand out are the old man explaining to the young boy why he wasn't allowed to go back in time. (He actually said 'you're not allowed to', rather than 'it's not physically possible'.) It was beautiful and poetic and I spent the whole journey eavesdropping into their conversation, which developed into the young boy asking if the speed of light was quicker than the speed of putting food in your mouth and then tasting it. What a little weirdo. The other odd incident that springs to mind is when I saw a woman get her phone out of her bag and snap a sneaky pic of the old man sitting next to me. The worst part was that she saw me see her doing it! We shared eye contact for long enough - at least a second - but she didn't acknowledged the awkwardness of the whole thing! We just had to silently agree to never speak of her strange moment of candid photography and pretend it hadn't even happened. Unfortunately I doubt I'll ever see this woman again, which makes me sad because I really want to know why she was taking a photo of an old man.

I wasn't happy with just a temp job, and I knew I never would be – hence why I was immediately looking for more substantial work straight away. The place was great and the people were lovely, but I wanted something else, something like this – where

I can travel round the country and judge people on trains for wanting to know about time travel, or indulging in their old man fetishes, apparently. I'm extremely lucky I found something so perfect so quickly.

I remember saying in my last Diary of a Young Professional that I was missing Bath and university and all that sad stuff that nobody else cares about. I still do miss all of that, but now I'm spending more time looking ahead instead of behind me.

It's refreshing, looking forward to waking up in the morning, rather than wishing it was the night before. Last time we were talking about the meaning of the phrase 'young professional', and I couldn't put my finger on it. I suppose (even though I still don't know what it means) I feel closer to knowing than I did last month, which is a big weight off my mind because I was starting to get worried about running out of things to talk about. I can feel the beginnings of an optimistic itch, and I think this feature may well start to reveal itself to be more focussed and meaningful, developing along with my new and exciting career.

With any luck, maybe soon I won't have to write about the size and smell of my cat's poo. Is this too ambitious? Maybe. A man can dream though, can't he?

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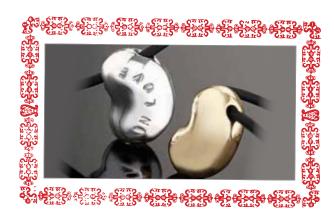
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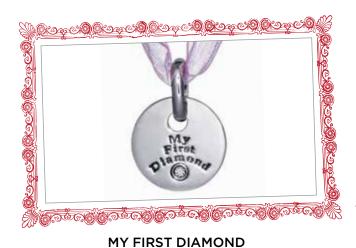
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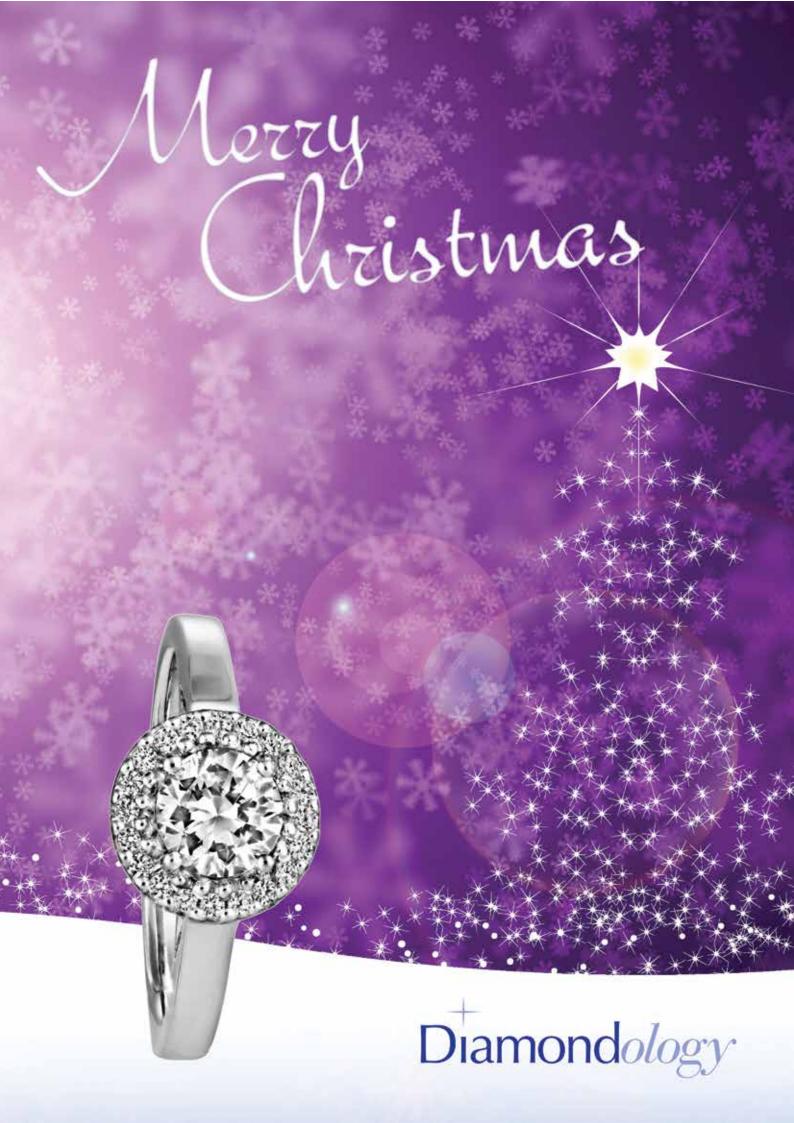
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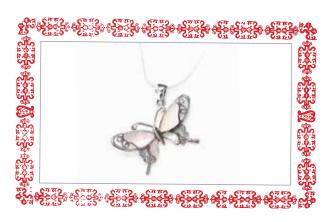
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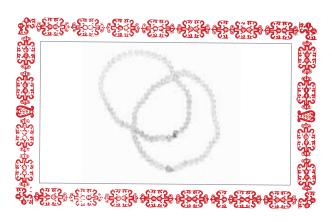
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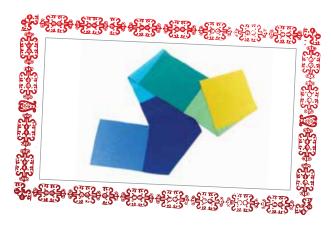
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Are you stuck for gift ideas or do you just need a bit of Christmas inspiration? We've searched high and low for you to find a selection of local businesses which will help you this festive season. From essential pampering and fitness to finding that perfect party outfit and unusual gift ideas, read on to get Christmas sorted!

Balmain Hair Extensions

This is the number one brand celebrities trust. Beyoncé, Kate Moss, Rihanna and many more are regularly snapped wearing Balmain. Why not head up to Bonita Hair and Beauty at Les Ormes to update your look. With Balmain you can achieve your perfect style whether it is added length, thickness, volume or a splash of colour; Balmain is the answer.

Ring the salon on 720081 to book your consultation. Introductory offer: 20% off when you mention this advert plus a free travel kit while stocks last.





Metamorphosis Boutique

Transform how you look this festive season! This is a beautiful boutique with its own unique style. So if you're looking for the perfect party dress or something to cosy up in by the fire then head and see Angela and her team. Angela is also an experienced tailor - so anything brought at Metamorphosis can be altered on site at no extra cost. Plus it is full to the brim with fab gift ideas and stocking fillers.

Metamorphosis Boutique, Tel: 789591, Corner of Charles Street and Bath Street, St Helier.





Get your pampering party preening sorted!

Jessica G is now at Bonita Hair & Beauty Les Ormes. She specialises in bikini comfort hot waxing, Orly Gel FX Nails, Monu & Renu Galvaderm Facials and Xen-Tan Spray tanning; everything you need to be in tip-top shape ready for the party season! 15% off treatments for gallery readers! Just mention us when you book. Discount redeemable on first visit. Valid until Jan 31st 2014. Jessica G, Call 07829702522 / 720081 to book or visit www.bonitahairjersey/beauty





Find something pretty with Amélie

New to Bath Street, Amélie is a beautiful boutique selling rainwear, handbags, jewellery, homeware, knits, gifts and vintage accessories.

It's easy to find the perfect gift (or treat!) with exclusive brands such as Avoca, Orla Kiely bags, AB candles, Ayala Bar and Konplott jewellery, plus gifts from Wild & Wolf. Amélie, No. 18 Bath Street. Tel: 610375.



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Marvellous Mink Eyelash Extensions

To get the ultimate WOW-factor look this party season head to the Eye Candy Lash & Beauty Studio. Salon Owner, Sarah Hosty, has just invested in the very best luxury Mink Eyelash Extensions, and they are incredible. They are as light as a feather and so soft you can't even feel you have them on, but they look jaw-dropping. Having beautiful full lashes is the quickest way to look and feel fantastic. Warning: this is the most addictive beauty treatment you'll ever have, as the results are just awesome!

Eye Candy Lash & Beauty Studio, (Within) Blades Hair & Beauty Salon, 12 Halkett Place, St Helier, Call Sarah Hosty on 07797 786 790 or 735919, www.eyecandyjersey.com 🚹



Amazing Christmas Offers at Body & Soul Beauty Salon

To celebrate the arrival of new Beauty Therapist Kayleigh, Body & Soul are offering gallery readers three Fantastic Party Packages to help keep you beautiful. Offer One: Beautiful gel nails and a golden glow spray tan for £45. Offer Two: Relieve Christmas stress with an indulgent luxury Thalgo Facial and complimentary relaxing BNS massage for £45. Offer Three: Skin perfecting mini facial and glamourous gel nails for £45.

Body & Soul, Tel: 727202, Facebook:Body & Soul! Web: bodyandsouljersey.com



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Call Steve on 07797750417 to find out more and also you can read a review of one of Steve's training sessions on page 188.



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Eden, by Claire

Claire has an incredible eye for style. From her o-so-cute quaint jam-jar bouquets to her show-stopping flower arrangements, this girl can do it all! Her beautiful boutique is full to the brim with Christmas inspiration. With all the guests who will be visiting you over the festive period, make sure your home is party ready with a centrepiece, bouquet or a lovely handmade wreath to compliment your Christmas tree! Pop in next time you're passing to see all the treats she has in store.

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GREAT GUY GIFT!

If you have not read about it, the new Seiko Astron is an analog, solar-powered watch that receives GPS satellite signals and adjusts to the precise local time anywhere on Earth. It recognizes all 39 time zones. The Astron covers the globe by first determining its location using GPS, then comparing that information with an on board database that divides the Earth's surface into one million squares, each of which is assigned to a particular time zone. That is something no other watch can do.

The Astron differs from watches that receive terrestrial radio signals from atomic clocks. So-called RC (radio-controlled) watches receive signals when they are within range of stations in the United States, Japan, the United Kingdom, Germany and China, so they do not offer global coverage. The Astron works anywhere, even in the middle of an ocean or desert, in Antarctica, or on a Tibetan mountaintop should you find yourself straying that far from Jersey. Perfect present for the adventurer or jet setter in your life. Available from Thaddeus Jewellers.

SNAP!

Since y'all be looking fabulous this Christmas make sure you have an equally super stylish camera to capture the action:

La Sardina Camera and Flash Grand Cru

This camera has serious vintage allure, its cool metallic paint finish and a cork suit add to its classic appeal. Simply load with your favourite 35mm film and this wide angle favourite will make ordinary party shots into truly glamorous snaps. £90

Diana Mini and Flash The Diana Family's little plastic sweetheart is now bundled up with a Diana F+ Flash to keep you shooting your dreamy 35mm squares and half-frame shots in all lighting conditions. With the flick of a little switch you can move from the retro square format to the amazing Half-Frame format, giving you the ability to shoot 72 shots on one 35mm film roll. To further enhance creative possibilities, there are Multiple and Long Exposure features, a tripod mount and a cable release attachment. £90

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Bring out the storyboards, get creative, and shoot amazing 35mm short films with the revolutionary LomoKino - movie camera. Then, view your masterpieces in the most analogue way possible with the LomoKinoscope. It would make the perfect present for the photographer in your life. £81

All cameras are by Lomography and available from Madhatter.











GOING FOR GOLD

Launched by two sisters in 2009 with a focus on affordable luxury and contemporary glamour of Honor Gold was conceived with a love of creating pieces that are figure enhancing.

Their signature style is designed with the epitome of high octane glamour to make you stand out from the crowd! The latest collection has peplum waist styles, daring open-back details, fishtail trains and asymmetric necklines.

The show stopping dress pictured, which is now in store at Eclectic, will ensure you take centre stage at your next event £89



ON THE RIGHT PAIGE

Los Angeles brand Paige Denim combines Southern California casual with pure sophistication. Committed to using the highest quality materials, the denim line infuses considered, unexpected details into each and every design. Their jeans are highly addictive, trendsetting pieces. Go try some on to see what we mean! Now in store at Nautilus.



Why not treat a loved one to a pampering gift voucher this Christmas?

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- A Little Bit Of Everything Package
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Pop in to buy beauty favourites this Christmas and we'll beautifully gift wrap them for you!

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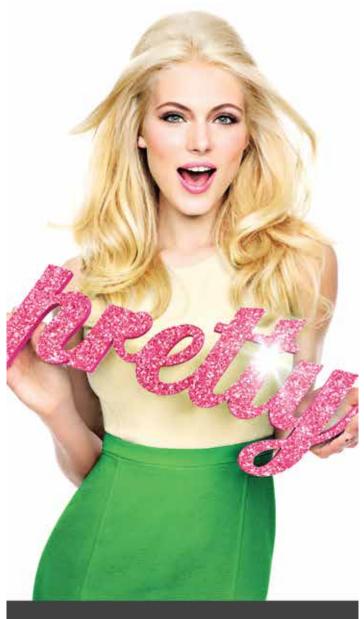




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WE'RE HEAD OVER HEELS FOR 360 CASHMERE THIS WINTER

If ever you needed an excuse to buy cashmere the fact that it is predicted to be one of the worst winters in decades is a great one! So make sure you're wrapped up warm against the harsh weather in a super warm and oh-so-soft 360 cashmere jumper. They fit beautifully and have some amazing colour combos. We'd rather like to own them all!

Available at Manna



TICKS ALL THE BOXES

TAG Heuer's new Jack Heuer Carrera 1887 special edition takes the classic racing stopwatch and teams it with a cutting edge chronograph based on design borrowed from Formula One and adds enough high tech to get any watch fan's pulse racing. We want one.

TAG Heuer Carrera Calibre 1887 Chronograph Jack Heuer 45mm, £4,501 at Hettich Jewellers. Pick up Hettich's free 2014 Catalogue to see more of their exciting new watch and jewellery collections.

LUXE **LEATHER**

Radley's latest collection, fronted by the amazing Erin O'Connor, offers striking sophistication in the form of luxury leather bags. Using fabulous bang-on-trend colours such as dijon and fox red, these little beauties are all you need this winter to stay stylish. Of course there is a classic black beauty too for elegantly toting your life about.

Radley Clayton Range at de Gruchy's from £156.62





LONGING FOR LOUNGEWEAR

Lepel's gorgeous loungewear is much more of a fashion must-have than a bed time staple. Their flirtatious and feminine chemises are made from soft jersey fabric with pretty lace detailing; the perfect mix of comfort and cool. It'll make leaving Christmas parties easier knowing that you're heading home to slip into one of these beauties. Pictured Lepel's Amelia Chemise available from de Gruchy. UK price £30.00, de Gruchy price £27.00



POETIC PRESENTS

For that special Christmas present, visit the team at Pearl Poetry in their fabulously decorated boutique located at Liberty Wharf. They will be able to create something romantic, stylish and unique for you. Whatever your budget you can give in confidence this Christmas with help from Eve and her highly trained team.







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STUCK FOR GIFT IDEAS...

A Gift Voucher from Les Roches Spa is guaranteed to put a smile on anyone's face! Nestled away in the tranquil countryside of St Ouen, Les Roches Spa is the perfect setting for spoiling someone special with some well-deserved relaxation. Their extensive range of Beauty and Holistic Treatments and Packages mean that they really do have something for everyone, including your parents, partner, teachers, friends... Everyone!

For the ultimate Spa experience, Les Roches Spa are excited to introduce their NEW Beauty and Wellness Brand 'Terraké' – a unique concept consisting of four deeply relaxing Massage Rituals inspired by the birth of the Earth – exclusive to Les Roches Spa! So to make your choice easier, Les Roches Spa are offering three unique Special Offer Packages to suit all budgets, especially for Christmas! From only £49, each luxurious Package will combine the indulgent Terraké Rituals with plenty more fabulous goodies, not to mention use of the beautiful Spa Facilities, which include a stunning indoor heated Pool, Sauna and Jacuzzi. Gift Vouchers are beautifully presented with your personal message and can be delivered for free.

Order your Gift Vouchers as Packages or in monetary amounts from www.lesroches.co.uk or call 487856.



MOMO'S IS **SO MUCH MORE** THAN A FISH SPA!

Manicures, Pedicures, Orly GelFX, Callus Peel, new IBD gels, Foot Massage + Parties for all ages! They have a great range of Christmas gifts and Secret Santa stocking fillers as well as beautiful Orly Nail Polishes in new Christmas colours! Special offer for

Gallery readers: 15-minute Fish Spa plus a Mini Mani only £16! (Conditions apply – not in conjunction with any other offers.



NEW IN TOWN



Envy, tucked away on Minden Street, boasts an ample menu of must-try treatments. From HD Brows to Thermo Gelex colourchanging Hollywood Nails, there's something to suit all.

So why not book in for a decedent treat today? A Swarovski Crystal pedicure is guaranteed to make you shine this Christmas, whilst a facial using only organic, high-grade raw materials from Dr Belter is certain to make you glow with health.

With a year-round treatment list to choose from, including Indian Head Massage, spray tans, waxing, threading and lash extensions, ensuring you're party-ready has never been easier!

Envy also offer make-up tutorials—updating your beauty bag is one of the fastest ways to update your look—and where better to find inspiration than with a team of experts. Why not book in for a make-up tutorial with Envy's newly appointed beauty consultant Louisa today? You'll not only learn the ins and outs of the latest catwalk looks, you'll also gain an insight into which products work best for your skin type.

Aside from an abundance of beauty treatments, Envy's recently assigned beauty therapist is also trained in a number of healing techniques; relax your senses with a full body, neck and shoulder massage complete with an in-depth pre-consultation (a decedent treat for both men and women).

With current beauty brands comprising St Tropez, OPI, Bio Sculpture, Hollywood Nails, Shellac and Lash Perfect, you'll find it difficult to choose just the one treatment. They also have a few new treats in the pipeline – a luxury facial and a cellulite bashing body machinel

Beat the winter blues with this great offer! Get a 90 minute sunbed package for just £72, or 60 minute package for just £48!

ENVY Beauty Salon, 5 Minden Place, for appointments call Aga, Louisa or Ksia on 01453 789 789.

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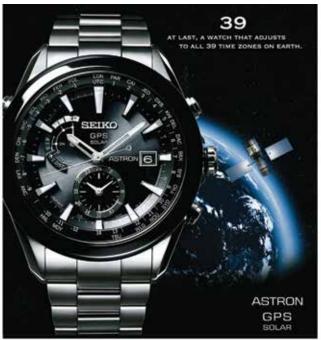


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Here are some decedent treats to spoil yourself or loved ones with this festive season





Clinique Aromatics Elixir **Embossed Perfume Spray**

With sensuous notes of rose, jasmine, ylang ylang and vetiver, this fragrance will touch your senses and is any woman's ideal Christmas present.



Aveda Stress Fix Bath Salts £29

Sugar and mineral rich, these salts also have a gorgeous stress relieving aroma, including essences lavender, lavandin and clary sage from organic farms. Ideal for melting away Christmas stresses.



M.A.C Nocturnals Lip Glosses In Pink £25.50

Nocturnals Lip Gloss provides high-impact colour in four sumptuous shades. Includes Dazzleglass in Dressed to Dazzle and Cremesheen Glass in Fashion Scoop, Colour Saturation and Petite Indulgence - our favourite wintry pink hues. The perfect stocking filler!



Zoya Nail Polish In Payton £4.97

Galactic cranberry with holographic glitter, this full coverage glossy hue is the perfect party polish.



Dermalogica

Body Therapy Favourites £14.90

If you're wanting smoother, softer skin over the winter, this is your personal pamper kit. Containing cleansing and hydrating aromatherapy favourites, your skin will never have felt so good!



Thalgo

Ultimate Exception Christmas Collection £236.65

This Christmas collection is the faultless combination of three wonder-products, guaranteed to smooth and plump the skin as well as reduce wrinkles, leaving your skin radiant over the festive season.



Creme De La Mer The Ageless Collection

For the skincare devotee in your life, The Ageless Collection offers a complete antiageing regime to instantly renew, rejuvenate and revitalise the look of skin. Skin is immersed in moisture and the appearance of lines and wrinkles is diminished to restore a youthful complexion.



Paul Mitchell

Awapuhi Wild Ginger Shine Spray £16.95

Over the winter, hair can be attacked by the cold, leaving it dry and frizzy. However, this shine spray will give your hair its bounce back, taming frizz and giving your hair a soft silky feel with its lightweight formula of natural dry oils.

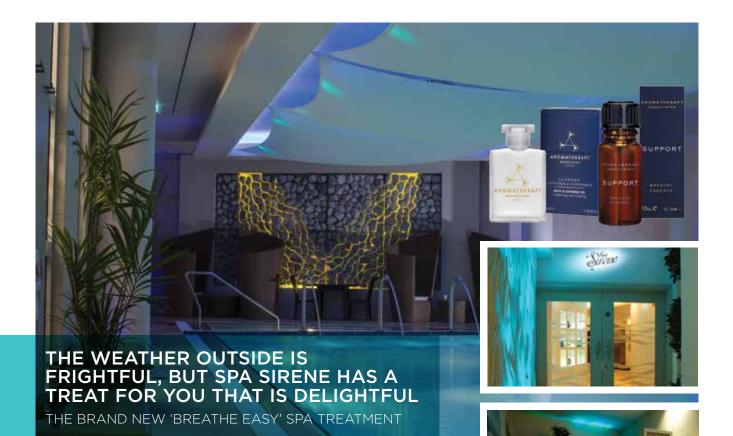


Sisley

Eau Du Soir Christmas 2013 Limited Edition £178.00

A rich scent, Eau du Soir is the culmination of the harmony between the freshness of citrus, the sensuality of floral and chypre notes and the intensity of amber and musk.

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As you are dashing to and fro this festive season why not take some time out for a bit of well deserved R&R? This 50 minute upper body treatment helps clear the mind and supports the immune system so it is perfect this time of year to help fight off stresses and bugs!

My top tip is to arrive well ahead of your treatment so you can really indulge in their beautiful spa sanctuary. I started with a dip in the pool, a soak in the spa then languidly moved on to the aromatherapy steam room. I avoided the blast bucket of ice cold water (because I don't care how good it is for you, it looks terrifying), but I did admire a bikini clad girl who nonchalantly walked up and didn't even flinch as the cold water poured over her! I spent the remainder of the time in my huge luxury robe curled up on a wonderful hot stone bed; I'd never seen one before and was delighted by how brilliant it is. You feel weightless as you are engulfed in soothing warmth and it made this horrible cold snap seem a thing of the past as I conjured up images of being in Maui and let all the mad rush of Christmas melt away.

All the aforementioned was the most lovely prelude to the main event, where my Beauty Therapist came and led me through to a soft-lit therapy room. I instantly noticed the amazing smell which she explained was the Aromatherapy Associates Support Breathe essence that contains Eucalyptus, Tea-tree, Pine and Lavender. The treatment started

with inhaling this head clearing aroma as the therapist performed several different chakra holds. This was followed by pressure applied to the cranial trigger points at the base of my skull, which is done to help relax and balance the nervous system. The whole treatment is designed to heal and build your body's natural defences.

The beauty therapist asked how I'd like the pressure of the back massage and I asked for hard. I was so impressed that from then on in I was given the most incredible deep massage; so often in the past I've been disappointed as beauty therapists massage 'hard' for 3 minutes then slip into a regular pressure massage, but not this time! She fantastically kept up with gusto the best massage I've ever had! It was a fusion of East and West, combining the best modern and traditional massage techniques and covered my neck and tired shoulders as well. Finding a good masseuse is a lifetime quest, but for all of you reading this just head straight to the Spa Sirene - it will save you years of mediocre prodding. Also men often like deep pressure massages so if you're treating them, make sure you send them her way.

I loved that the massage was tailored specifically for me and all of the knots in my left shoulder were worked out, it was such a relief to be rid of this muscular tension. The treatment finished with a relaxing Ayurvedic scalp massage and face, sinus and forehead drainage massage to help unblock sinuses and prevent headaches.

I left the room walking on Cloud Nine! It was such a different experience to feel so energised and ready to take the world on again. I couldn't resist treating myself to the Support Aromatherapy Associates Collection so that I could bring a little piece of this blissfully relaxing time home with me.

Enjoy this treat at the special introduction price of just £45.00 includes use of their spa facilities. Monday to Friday only and subject to availability. No other discounts or rewards vouchers can be used. Valid from 1st December 2014 to 31st January 2014.

Call Spa Sirene on 615425 to book Support Breathe Essence £15.30 Support Breathe Bath & Shower Oil £35.00

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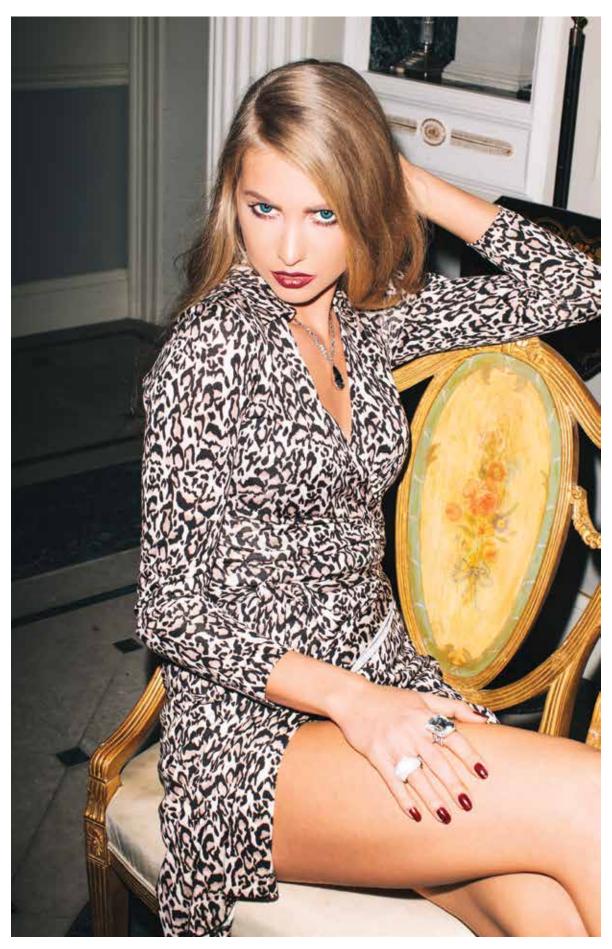


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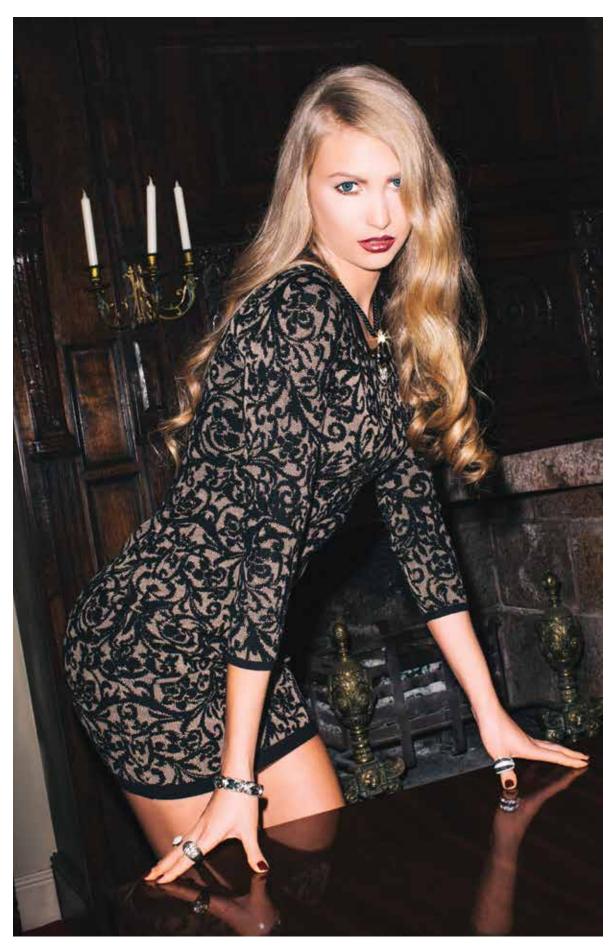
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Style**Stalker**

We sent our Style Stalker out onto the streets of St Helier, camera in hand, to find some fashionable folk who are ahead of the trends and working their own style.

WORDS LAURA COSTARD



Hermione, 17, Student

"It's getting colder so I've got on my warm woolly coat. I like black for the winter but have a bright scarf for contrast"

Hermione has got winter '13 bang on. At Gallery we simply love her oversized coat and the fact that she has matched her lipstick to her outfit really ups the style-stakes!



Grace, 15, Student

"I wanted to wear my new coat"

Grace's look is classic grunge-chic (j'adore) and her tartan coat really completes the look. If ever in doubt, grab a fashion-forward coat the perfect-on trend investment!



Amy, 20, Fashion retail exporter

"I was really late for my flight so just chucked these clothes on"

Again, we are loving the winter tartan! A fabulous fierce print is all a girl (or guy) needs in their winter wardrobe, so grab yours now!



Faith, 52, Healthcare assistant

"I like to look stylish and try to keep on trend"

A statement coat is exactly what we like to see in St Helier's highstreet! Powder pink is our utter fave hue at the moment and coupled with the oversizing trend, Faith's coat is simply stunning!



Chessy, 21, Administrator

"It was cold and I wanted to be comfy so I put on a big woolly jumper and my favourite boots"

This outfit is a classic monochrome combo, but Chessy has edged it up with the addition of some cutting-edge cut-out boots - we're definitely adding these to our Xmas wish list!



Ed, 32, Hairdresser

"I wanted to be bright and colourful because it's a bit grey"

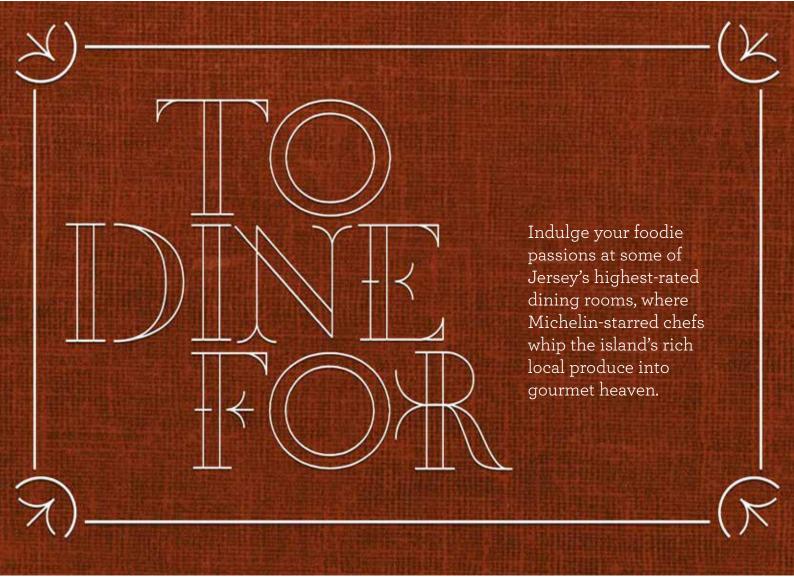
Ed's look is colour-block cool - the darker hues really stepping this trend into winter 2013. Chuck in a knitted jumper and this outfit is jumping right up that fashion ladder!

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We've been pushing the boundaries for years, so why shouldn't you? Book this space and if you spill over a little, we won't tell anybody

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With the pick of local ingredients on restaurant menus, and field-to-fork journeys counted in minutes rather than miles, Jersey's hotting up as a gastronomic destination. After all, it's hard to argue with somewhere that can serve caught-that-morning local fish with Jersey samphire, foraged wild garlic and freshly dug Jersey Royals. From Michelin-starred supper hotspots to glamorous gourmet hangouts, Jersey's got enough top restaurants to satisfy even the fussiest of food lovers. Bon appétit!

Sumas:

Perfectly positioned for both castle and harbour views, this airy dining room in Gorey serves up flavours with practised finesse. Chef Patrice Bouffaut delivers a spot-on seasonal menu that'll get your mouth watering, with everything from steak to shellfish chowder getting a contemporary twist.

Look out for: The best of seasonal produce, from superfresh lobster and scallops in the summer to meaty game and steak dishes in the winter.

Don't miss: The pan-fried local squid, pickled carrot and fennel with pesto - it's a sellout every time it appears on the menu. Get yours before someone else does.

Bohemia:

Leading UK chef Steve Smith has taken over Shaun Rankin's crown at this swish Michelinstarred establishment, devising a whole series of tasting menus to get your teeth into. With a style described as 'fairytale' by restaurant critics, foodspotters will love Steve Smith's vivid colour combinations, tantalising flavour blends and concoctions that look too good to eat Almost

Look out for: With a choice of five menus, including a superb vegetarian and pescatorian (fish) tasting menu, even jaded palates won't be able to resist.

Don't miss: Local lobster teamed with white chocolate (yes really). It sounds so wrong... but tastes so good.

Sirocco:

With a landmark location on the first floor of St Helier's Royal Yacht Hotel, smart suppers are served with panache at this glamorous restaurant. Chef Steve Walker brings a deft touch to a menu that spans Modern British and French dishes - all served with style and the finishing touches you'd expect from a restaurant of this calibre.

Look out for: Sirocco's signature flambé dishes. From steak diane to crêpes suzette, they're prepared and set ablaze at your table for food theatre that'll hot things up.

Don't miss: Pan fried scallops with artichoke purée, pork hock beignet and Cox's apple textures for innovative flavour combinations that hit the spot every time.

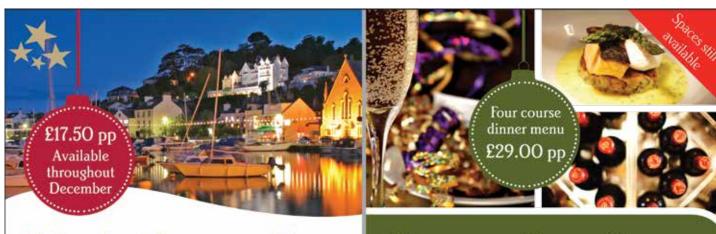
Tassili

With a Michelin star under his belt since 2011, Tassili's head chef Richard Allen's dynamic brand of innovative cooking earned him a prestigious Restaurant Chef of the Year award last year. Bold flavour combinations and imaginative reinventions of classic dishes make eating in Tassili's elegant dining room quite an experience.

Look out for: Local produce. The menu's bursting with Jersey ingredients, including wild herbs and sea vegetables - often foraged by the chef himself.

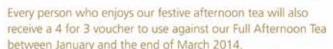
Don't miss: The beautifully constructed signature foie gras starter with smoked Creedy Carver duck and Hacienda chocolate.

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orking on a magazine is a varied lifestyle. In the Channel Islands the areas of interest and interaction are usually defined by our coastline as we strive to maintain a Glocal standpoint, inward looking but with a global philosophy.

Occasionally we get to engage in subject matter that is not only relevant to you lot, our beloved readers, on a local level but also take in elements of the real world. Earlier this year we were invited to see what Waitrose has in store for us this Christmas. But the event wasn't in a local store... Waitrose flew a gaggle of local journalists to London and transferred us to the beautiful buildings of the Royal Academy of Engineering to learn about their fantabulous Christmas goodness, straight from Heston's mouth.

Normally there's opposition to UK brands and companies moving in to our beloved islands as some perceive that they negatively impact on our local producers. However, Waitrose have done it the right way. Shopping at Waitrose is a combination of picking up your locally grown produce whilst still being able to grab a jar of something you've only heard on on cooking programmes. Many such things were evident as we were ushered through the entrance by Waitrose partners (it's a co-op, so I guess that's appropriate rather than 'staff') and guided us into the event's press room. Tables with multiple tiers of delicious food were in every direction. We'd heard a rumour that he of liquid-nitrogen-inthe-kitchen fame would be making a guest appearance to tell us about his relationship with Waitrose and their premium 'Heston from Waitrose' (HfW) Range.

When Heston first turned his attention to Waitrose's Christmas product range in 2010 it resulted in the 'Hidden Orange' Christmas Pudding selling for 15 times its



My mince pies will be THIS big. Heston tells us about his plans for Christmas.

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Top row Sampling Desserts, White Forest Star and Christmas table that will require some post meal exercise **Second row** Waitrose Easy Carve Turkey, deboned, with a Rich Winter Fruit Stuffing £19.99/kg (available from Waitrose Entertaining); Waitrose Salted Caramel Parsnips £2.49/350g; Waitrose Baby Sprouts with Bacon & Silverskin Onions £2.69/300g; Waitrose Ready to Roast Goose Fat Potatoes £2.39/650g. Waitrose Christmas Tree Cupcake £1/each; Waitrose Christmas Pudding Cupcake £1/each; Waitrose Snowman Cupcake £1.20/each; Waitrose Fairy Cupcake £1.20/each

face value on eBay. It was clear that this union was a happy one. The application of Heston's unique approach to Waitrose's premuim product is a match made in culinary heaven. We eagerly sampled a smorgasbord of delicious morcels. The HfW ham hock & piccalilli terrine was a particular favourite. We talked about the traditional turkey and alternatives to consider. Waitrose have a variety of options that make for an alternative selection of afternoon sandwiches this year. Perhaps an Oak-soaked, Stout and Molasses Matured Gammon? or a Highland Forerib of Beef? Heston was quick to point out that potatoes are an important constituent. We're obviously pre-disposed to Jersey Royals but, considering Christmas the inconvenient time of year, Waitrose Ready to Roast Goose Fat Potatoes will have to do!

The event spanned several rooms. The second allowed us to meet the Waitrose producers, the men that rear the best of

the best in terms of walking Christmas dinners, and also trial the sweet stuff. This Christmas is all about the salted caramel, an ingredient of choice for an self respecting premium sweet snack food. Millionaire shortbread squares with salted caramel anyone? To further engage with the younger shopper or recipient of such items, a 'build your own cupcake' station was set up allowing us to experiment with a myriad



of products that can be used to build and decorate your own perfect Christmas cake. Chocolate coated popping candy anyone? We all had a go, and I even managed to get my cupcake efforts back to Jersey. There are certainly a myriad of choices for those with a sweet tooth. I mentioned the fabled 'Hidden Orange' Christmas pudding earlier. This year the range will include a 'hidden chocolate' variety of Christmas pudding, inspired by a trip Heston took to Italy. Oh yes.

By the time we'd passed through the beauty area and sampled some cocktails we were a little overwhelmed as we entered a room full of flowers... The extent of the Christmas range products from Waitrose is incredible and if your Christmas is to be a decedant one, I'd suggest you make some room in your larder and home for the wonders on offer. Have a merry one.

APPETITE NEWS



Local online wine retailers Love Wine have joined forces with A.C. Gallie. Together they have completely refurbished and rebranded A.C. Gallie's showroom to create a stylish one-of-a-kind tasting room complete with wine tasting machines and stocked to the brim with exciting wines.

"It's the perfect partnership. Love Wine was born from a passion of wine and a desire to provide a bespoke offering that opens up the wine world for everyone to experience. A.C. Gallie, an already well-established drinks wholesaler on the Island owned and run by a Jersey family, was the perfect match. Love Wine sits comfortably alongside the wholesale aspect offering a much needed off-line retail presence showcasing an ever growing and exciting range of wines. Please come and visit us on Longueville Road and see for yourself!" commented Chris Rogers Director of Love Wine. We met Chris to get some great gift ideas.



FOR A CHOCOLATE FIEND The Chocolate Block

Grape Varieties: Syrah, Cabernet sauvignon, Grenache noir, Cinsault and Viognier

Price: £19.50

This wine is wonderfully accessible and best shared with close friends, so make sure you hang around long enough for them to open it! This Boekenhoutskloof (pronounced Bookn-Howeds-kloof!) has become one of South Africa's most sought after reds. Exploding with fruit, exotic spices, violets and vanilla this wine shows well integrated, silky tannins resulting in a crowd-pleasing experience.



FOR AN ENVIRONMENT LOVER Figure Libre Freestyle Rouge 2011 IGP

Grape Varieties: Syrah, Grenache Noir, Carignan, Cabernet Franc, Cinsault

Price: £12.75

Domaine Gayda in the South of France has produced this fully organic wine with the forward thinking that is now coming out of the Languedoc region of France... Sustainable and Organic farming methods really set this winemaker aside from the once over farmed and over cropped vineyards of this beautiful region. It is Ruby red with some purple highlights. Vibrant, expressive nose of red and black fruits, pepper, spice and "garrigue". A full bodied wine, with an expansive mouth feel, integrated tannins and a long, silky finish.





FOR A BIT OF A DEVIL Tamar Ridge 'Kayena Vinyard' Pinot Noir 2010

Grape Varieties: Pinot Noir

Price: £16.95

A delicious single vineyard Pinot Noir that we are proud to stock at Love Wine. Elegant and ronounced, with berry fruits and spicy, cedar notes. On the palate rich and spicy with savoury dark cherry flavours and some French oak put to amazing effect. If you are looking to try something new from the other side of the world, this is the one.



FOR A BUBBLY PERSONALITY Vazart-Coquart & Fils, Blanc de Blancs, Brut Reserve, Grand Cru NV.

Grape Varieties: Chardonnay

Price: £28.95

This family owned Champagne House only holds 11 hectares under vine, all on the Cote de Blancs, Chouilly. The vineyards are classified Grand Cru for the Brut (100% Chardonnay) which is the top quality classification of Champagne. Not a 'grand marque', Vazart-Coquart & Fils is known as a Récoltant-Manipulant which means that the Champagne making process, from the growing of the grapes to the bottling and aging of the Champagne is done within the House...overseen by Mons. Perfect as an aperitif!



TASTY CHANGES

Crab Shack Gorey and St Brelade have a great new winter menu complemented by daily changing specials. Why not try a delicious crab taco with tomato, avocado, chilli and red onion salsa or a grilled steak sandwich with caramelised shallots?

Take a look at the dishes at facebook.com/CrabShackJersey Bookings at www.jerseycrabshack.com



A BIG HIGH FIVE FOR THEIR AMAZING HIGH TEA

The Grand Hotel is adapting their famous High Teas for the Festive Season. The new December Festive Champagne Tea will include macaroons, mince pies, Christmas pudding soufflé and Gateaux Opera as well as the traditional scones, jam and clotted cream and a selection of sandwiches. The gallery girls headed to try it out (all in the name of work) and were really impressed with the tasty treats laid out. Whilst you're sitting snug sipping Champagne in their cosy Lounge looking out at the crashing waves and picturesque castle any Christmas stress is guarenteed to melt away. It is the perfect way to catch up with

friends or family who might be over for the festive period.

Their afternoon Tea is served daily in The Champagne Lounge from 1pm until 5.30pm and is priced at £16.95 per person and £24.95 to include a glass of Champagne.

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GET INTO THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!

Our favourite hang out for Christmas drinks is the fantastic bar at Ormer. With everything from aged rum, to the finest Scotch, to tantalizing pink vodka, you're really spoilt for choice.

The Ormer Mixologists are also always on hand to create something to suit your taste. We recommend the eclectic Rhubarita or the signature Ormer Pisco Sour.

The Ormer Mixologists have shared a couple of their cocktail recipes with you today:

ORMER PISCO SOUR COCKTAIL:

Ingredients:

20ml Egg White 75ml Pisco 30ml Lemon Juice 5ml Tradicional 12.5ml Sugar Syrup



Method:

Place 10 ice cubes in a cocktail shaker. Add all of the ingredients one-by-one. Shake hard for 1 minute. Strain the contents twice. Serve in a Tall Tumbler glass and garnish with lemon peel.

FIVE AND DRIVE (NON-ALCOHOLIC COCKTAIL):

Ingredients:

50ml Cranberry Juice 50ml Pineapple Juice 25ml Peach Syrup 25ml Lemon Juice

Method:

Place 10 ice cubes in a cocktail shaker. Add all of the ingredients one-by-one. Shake hard for 1 minute. Strain the contents once. Serve in a High Ball glass and garnish with a slice of lemon.



WORDS CHARLIE SMITH

DELICIOUSLY **DECADENT GENUINE JERSEY** TREATS



JERSEY COTTAGE TREATS

CHRISTMAS CAKES

Christmas is the single best excuse to eat Christmas cake and Jersey Cottage treats bake the very best quality Christmas cakes to sell at Jersey's markets. Their cakes are full of fruit and spices and they pride themselves on their moistness and richness. Based on a traditional country Christmas cake their recipe makes the best use of local ingredients and the highest quality dried fruit. The use of stewed apples and Jersey butter gives their cakes a moistness and subtlety of flavour. The combination of the best sultanas, raisins and currants combined with cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves and ginger means their cakes are rich and complex in flavour. The high quantities of dried fruit and small amounts of unrefined sugar mean that our recipe is exceptionally healthy... sounds like it will contribute nicely to your 'five a day' to us!

Christmas cakes in the form of rich fruit cakes date back to Victorian times and made use of exotic imported dried fruit and spices which cannot be grown in our climate. For this reason most of their ingredients are, of course imported, but they utilise the very best local produce they can get their christmassy hands on! All the eggs, butter and apples that go into their delicious cakes are from Jersey. Fresh apples are the key to creating the most mouth-wateringly moist cakes, so friends bring regular deliveries of apples to the cottage kitchen.

Jersey Cottage treats is the result of a passion for great traditional and seasonal cooking. Their cakes are hand made and lovingly baked, then each cake is individually decorated with marzipan, nuts and dried fruit. Finished off with ribbons and wrapped they make perfect gifts for family members and for friends.

Pick up your Christmas Cake at a Jersey Christmas Market or call Tom on 07797 776 036 or email oofallon@me.com



ZOË'S KITCHEN BROWNIES&COOKIES

The only thing sweeter than Zoe is her brownies! We've long been a fan of Zoe and the decadent treats we get to devour every once in a while, thats right folks, we don't save our brownie conviction for Christmas, but as calories don't count at Christmas its an ideal time to wrap your lips around Zoes devine baked goods.

Zoë trained at Leiths School of Food & Wine, London, as well as cooking and writing for the food pages at Good Housekeeping Magazine for many years, where every recipe is triple tested (Can we apply for this job?)! There's no compromise on quality at Zoë's Kitchen.

If you can't bare to eat them all yourself why not send some yummy treats from Zoe to your office collegues, or a lover....
I've never met a man who didn't have soft spot for a cookie and flowers might be pretty but homemade treats taste better! Zoe specialises in numerous scrummy cookie flavours and perfect brownies, which are made to order ensuring they are as fresh as possible and only using top quality local ingredients so they taste as good as they look!

Book some brownies at: www.zoes-kitchen.com, call 07829 888 864 or email zoe@zoes-kitchen.com



SUE'S FUDGE LUXURIOUS FUDGE

Sue's Fudge fudges are made the traditional way, in small batches, hand stirred over high heat, poured into cooling trays and hand cut. Made with the finest ingredients, including organic milk, cream and butter, all from beautiful Jersey Cows. No preservatives are used and only natural flavourings are chosen where required. Perfect for sending a taste of Jersey overseas or giving as a small, sweet gift.

Their best selling Vanilla fudge, has been likened by many to a Scottish tablet... the 'melt-in-the-mouth' richness of wholesome butter combined with the bite of a good old fashioned fudge. Another best seller is Jersey Black Butter Fudge... the combination of apples, butter and a hint of cinnamon, will have your taste buds tingling! Then there is Rum and Raisin, full of succulent raisins that have been lavishly soaked in real Jamaican rum. Or you might like to try Rich Chocolate Fudge which contains 100% pure cacao. The Ginger Fudge contains chopped stem ginger plus real ginger oil to give an unforgettable kick! Or perhaps you will go for the Bailey's and Cream flavour, which is the hot favourite for all their female customers! Has Sue tempted you enough?....

For some sweet Sue fudge, pop into The Chocolate Bar on Conway Street, call +44(0)1534730094 or email info@suesfudge.co.uk

No Christmas table is complete without a Christmas Cracker - these cute crackers are Genuine Jersey and won't fail to please. Each one contains a local joke (we assume they are brilliantly corny as all good cracker jokes should be) along with a festive Temps Passe image, a foil hat to celebrate, a quiz to puzzle grandpa and the Pièce de résistance an original Genuine Jersey Gift! A truely delightful way to celebrate our island this Christmas!





SOMETHING TO MULL OVER...

Be it mulled wine or mulled cider...coquito, Greyano or Ponche Navideno, these festive tipples are certain to conger up a festive glow. Check out our latest compilation of some of the more interesting boozy holiday beverages from around the globe.

× ENGLAND

Eggnog...Baileys...Sherry...in fact anything that resembles creamy booze and it's the subject of festive tipples here and in the UK. You'll even find a number of the local coffee shops stocking up on eggnog lattes – the only time of year when thick cream, pure sugar and raw egg becomes a desirable drink!

*** NORWAY & GERMANY**

There are numerous mouth-puckering variations of this spice-loaded, warmed, sugared wine- all served throughout Europe. From Nordic Glogg – reminiscent of cinnamon, cardamom, cloves, bitter sweet orange, ginger and a generous helping of aquavit – to German Gluhwein – a concoction of lemon, ginger, cloves, cinnamon sticks and cardamom – every glass sits perfectly comfortably with the cold dark nights and a roaring fire.

*** BULGARIA & POLAND**

Bulgaria's mulled speciality comes in the shape of Greyano Vino – a warmed mixture of honey, peppercorns, apple and citrus. The Polish opt for a more traditional variant – Grzane or Grzane Piwo – the latter being more of a mulled beer. When in hand remember to utter the words 'Na zdrowie' (to your health!)

*** UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

Wassail, although a mulled British cider, is extremely popular across the pond. Just like it says on the tin, all you need is a bottle of your favourite cider and a pan. Unlike wine, with its ability to turn your lips a rather mesmerising shade of purple, this applebased variant is slightly sweeter and is less likely to stain your clothes.

* MEXICO

Although the name 'Ponche Navideno' may sound similar to sweet ponches, this version is created with sugar cane, apples or pears, raisons, prunes, citrus and tejocotes (an aboriginal fruit grown by the Aztecs). Add brandy, tequila or rum (optional) and heat. At Christmas time, it's not uncommon to spot ponche vendors on every street corner, intent on dispensing cupfuls of good cheer.

Another popular Mexican beverage, again served around Christmas time, is Champurrado. This chocolaty delight consists of warmed cornmeal thinned to a pourable consistency with a hit of chocolate spice.

*** PERU & CHILE**

Cola de Mono, in other words, a potent grape brandy combined with wine and nicknamed 'Christmastime', which in actual fact means a glass of Monkey's Tail. Combine vanilla beans, cloves, coffee, milk and aquardiente (forget about the name) and 'Bottom's Up!'

***JAMAICA**

Locally known as Sorel, and in Australia 'Rosella', Sorrel Punch is a Jamaican Christmas delicacy. Made from the petals of the hibiscus flower, this delicate, fruity cocktail is the perfect festive beverage. The recipe varies however around the globe, but if you're intent on re-creating a Jamaican Christmas at home, combine freshly smashed ginger with lime juice, dark rum and dried hibiscus buds.

There are many good reasons to sip on big, bold red mulled wines during the winter months – not only do they warm you to the bone, the spiced notes of Sorrel Punch, Cola de Mono and warm cider simply scream Christmas time!

BECAUSE QUALITY MATTERS gallery

DECADENT DISHES FOR THE JUDICIOUS DINER

Just like a Hermes bag or a Chanel shoe, expensive foods are more of a luxury than a commodity. From artisanal sourdough with a touch of hickory-smoked Gloucester old spot, to pizzas that trade tomatoes for truffles, read on to find out what really constitutes a lavish lunch.



A SPORTING TRADITION...

Hotdogs are in abundance in the US, in fact, they're so popular, you'll often find them on every street corner. But forget your simple sausage in a bun, the most expensive hot dogs in the world are infused with cognac, topped with lobster and coated in mushroom dust.

Those with a spare £1,400 may wish to tantalise their tastebuds with 60-day dryaged wagyu (Japanese cow) infused with onions caramelized in none other than Dom Perignon. And that's not all; the 'posh' dog, which comes with Cristal braised sauerkraut and caviar, must be ordered at least 48 hours prior to entering the establishment.

230 Fifth, New York



BACON BLING

Most of us are quite happy to tuck into the standard bacon bap, comprising chunky white bread, crispy bacon and smothering's of ketchup...well most of us anyway! The Bacon Bling sandwich, created by Paul Philips, consists of seven rashers of rare breed pig, watercress, truffle spread, freerange egg and sliced truffles. And if that wasn't enough, it's topped with saffron and a sprinkling of edible gold dust. The ultimate bourgeois breakfast bap will set you back a whopping £150. You may however be a little more willing to part with this cash when you learn certain proceeds go to the British-born charity SKRUM. Tangberry's Coffee House, Cheltenham



THE WORLD'S MOST EXPENSIVE DONKEY CHEESE

Just a kilogram of the world's most expensive donkey cheese will set you back a monstrous £870. Why you may ask? Created on a farm in Zasavica – one of Serbia's most celebrated natural reserves – pule is crafted using just short of 25 litres of fresh donkey milk. Certainly one for food lovers with expensive tastes and deep pockets! (The same reserve also produces bottled donkeys' milk, one of Cleopatra's many beauty secrets)

Zasavica Resort, West of Belgrade



IF YOU'RE FEELING FLUSH...

It's not often cocktails come with a price tag of £15,250, yet if you're feeling rather flush, head on down to Harvey Nichols for one extremely extravagant tipple – the Dazzle – an infusion of rosé champagne, lemon syrup and lychee liquor, not forgetting the 18 carat white gold pink tourmaline and diamond ring that sits at the bottom of the flute-shaped glass. Harvey Nichols, Manchester



A FINER TIPPLE...

To some, money is nothing, and when you can afford to spend as much on a single malt as you would on a Porsche, you know you're at that level. With a £125,000 price tag, Dalmore 62 holds a rising allure as an investment tipple. Back in 2002, the same bottle was sold for £22,000. With only 12 bottles in existence, for some, the temptation of owning something that no one else can buy is just too strong. Dalmore 62

ONE FOR THE COFFEE CONNOISSEUR

Coveted by the rich and exclusive for years, these exquisite beans are plucked from the droppings of the Civet – a furry, long-tailed nocturnal, cat-like creature that scavenges Southeast Asia's coffee plantations for the juiciest, ripest coffee cherries obtainable. The end result – a smooth, chocolaty brew devoid of any bitter aftertaste. (Despite being passed through the animal's digestive track prior to hitting shop shelves) A 50g serving will set you back £24.95. Doi Chaang
Wild Civet Coffee. Harrods



At a cost of £85, this lunchtime snack is not for the faint-hearted. Created using Wagyu meat, a strain of the legendarily succulent beef from Kobe in Japan, the cows are nurtured on beer and massaged until they weigh at least three quarters of a ton! The sandwich, which is the brainchild of the London-based department store Selfridges, is garnished with fresh lobe foie gras, Brie de meaux, mustard confit, rocket, plum tomatoes, red pepper and black truffle mayonnaise.

Selfridges, London





A LEGAL HIGH

Ever since John Cadbury learnt the art of the emulsification process, chocolate has become one of the most popular food items in world. For some, this legal high has no price tag too tall. The Chocopologie Chocolate Truffle by Fritz Knipschildt, which also goes by the name of La Madeline au Truffle, boasts a 70 percent Valrhona dark chocolate shell with a vanilla base as well as lashings of heavy cream, truffle oil and sugar. Made to order at a cost of £1,625. Chocopologie Chocolate Truffle by Fritz Knipschildt, Knipschildt Chocolatier



THE ZILLION DOLLAR LOBSTER FRITTATA

With the caviar topping alone costing £40 an ounce, the world's most expensive omelette's price tag doesn't come as too much of a surprise at £650. This exorbitant breakfast treat is created using only the finest lobster and a massive 10 ounces of Sevruga caviar.

Norma's, Le Parker Meridien Hotel, New York



NOT YOUR AVERAGE PIZZA

Depending on the season, this pizza should set you back around £100. For your money, you'll receive a thin-crust, wood fire-baked pizza, packed with fontina cheese, onion puree, white truffle paste, baby mozzarella, cep mushrooms and freshly picked wild mizuna lettuce. The finale, an embellishment of rare Italian white truffle shavings normally sold at £1,400 per Kilogram. Gordon Ramsay's Maze Restaurant, London

Some say paying an extortionate amount for pure foods is an expensive quest for self-purification, yet for others, it's quite simply a decadent treat for the discerning diner.

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Whilst we were on the subject of sourcing some of the most lavish foods in the world, we thought it only fair to share an insight into a handful of the most Decadent Dishes on the island, from locally caught butter poached lobster to blueberry snowball with lemon granite and white chocolate ice cream, Jersey is brimming with culinary delights!

Tassili, Grand Jersey

Jersey lobster 'Caesar', avocado, lobster jelly
Tassili pride themselves on using only the finest of
ingredients, and with lobster sourced locally from The Fresh
Fish Company, this decadent plate, created by head chef
Richard Allen, boasts a luxury and modern twist on the classic
Caesar salad. Richard takes his inspiration from a selection of
his favourite dishes to create a menu brimming with balance,
flavour, texture, seasonal produce and technical expertise.
This dish is available as part of Tassili's Pescatarian
Tasting Menu - 7 courses for £67, on our A La Carte Menu
as a starter or 3 courses for £49

Bohemia Bar & Restaurant, The Club Hotel & Spa

Scallop - Celeriac - Apple - Smoked Eel & Truffle
Created by Steve Smith, and just like many of his fine
culinary creations, this dish is very much ingredient-led, with
an emphasis on extracting maximum flavour and versatility.
This decedent dish of seared extra large king scallop, in
peanut oil and Jersey butter served with Dutch smoked
eel, celeriac and truffle puree, and finished with grated
fresh truffle is a prime example of marrying tradition with
innovation to create pure sophistication.

All Part of Bohemia's 5 course Classic Menu, priced at £59.00 per person

Sirocco, Royal Yacht

Butter poached lobster, pan roast turbot with a nut crust & lobster cannelloni, garnished with truffle shavings

Prepared by head chef Steve Walker, this decadent dish, cooked to perfection, is very rich on the palette. Lobsters are rare at this time of the year, whilst truffles can cost up to £1000 a kilo. The dish is extravagant yet with sense, it's not the most expensive meal on the menu, yet a great deal of effort goes into preparing this colourful creation, which quite simply, melts in the mouth. Sirocco, a la Carte Menu, Main Course, £22.50

Ormer

Foie Gras Roasted, spiced sweet tomato, sauternes, toasted brioche, local penny wart, mint oil
Despite being open for only a short period of
time, Ormer was recently awarded a Michelin star.
Owned by the celebrity chef Shaun Rankin, the fine
establishment showcases an unfussy approach to quality
dining. This popular dish features on the a la Carte menu as a
starter. The Foie Gras is ethically sourced from Ernest Soulard
in France, whose free-range ducks are all fed naturally.

Ormer, a la Carte Menu, Starter priced at £16

Ocean Restaurant, The Atlantic Hotel

Blueberry snowball with lemon granite and white chocolate ice cream

This decedent dessert, created by Ellen de Jagger, Pastry Chef at The Atlantic Hotel, combines blueberry mousse with blueberry compote covered in white chocolate spray, served with blueberry tuiles and decorated with precious gold leaf, adding a touch of luxury and decadence. This divine dessert is perfectly balanced, combining a range of textures; the creaminess of the blueberry mousse, the sharpness of the lemon and gin granite and the freshness of the blueberries. Ellen's Blueberry Snowball is served as part of a seven course Tasting Menu, which is priced at £130 per person inclusive of, wines by Sergio.













Dining out is a pleasure, a luxury. For many it is a small slice of luxury that is achieveable, every once in a while we treat ourselves to a surperb dining experience from our many beautiful restaurants and talented chefs. But there's always a way to step up the exuberance, a way to out-flash and over-indulge even the most pleasant of dining experiences. We asked our foodie friends:

"IF MONEY WAS NO OBJECT, WHAT DECADENT DISH WOULD YOU CREATE?"



Paul Dufty Sumas

I would have a Sirloin of Kobe beef, fresh Morel mushrooms and asparagus, served with a bottle of vintage Bordeaux. A 1982 Chateaux Latour would probably do!



Danny Moisin

Dannys

My Jersey seabass chilli tamarind jam served on a naked supermodel in a golden chariot pulled by the 1970 world cup winning Brazillian footy squad!



Richard Allen

Grand Jersey

The most decadent food for me to make would be some of the stunning chocolate work by Oriol Balaguer, a Spanish pattisserie genuis!



Marcus Calvani

La Cantina

As decadence is 'a luxurious self-indulgence', this one's for me... Right? It would have to involve oysters & langoustine in a Champagne & Jersey-cream sauce, followed by fresh porcini mushrooms & white truffles from Alba, maybe with a beautiful fillet of Jersey beef reared in a 'Kobe' style using Liberation Ale! To finish it off, our La Cantina rosemary-scented dark chocolate torte with whipped mascarpone cream.... Yes, that'll do nicely!

Shaun Rankin

Ormer

A decadent breakfast, perhaps scrambled duck

eggs with white truffles on toasted malt bread.

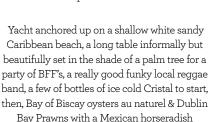


Natalie Duffy

Salty Dog

Ahh decadence, an indulgence rarely discussed openly in these austere times!

However, if we were to allow our fantasies to run wild, it would be an all encompassing decadent dining experience teasing all our senses to make it truly fabulous, so here goes, picture this...



Bay Prawns with a Mexican horseradish salsa, followed by the ultimate surf and turf barbecue of Jersey lobster and Japanese Wagyu beef fillet accompanied by Damon's chilli garlic coriander sauce and chunky chips washed down with a few bottles Petrus. To sweeten the palate before the party kicks off in earnest, Captain Morgan laced barbecued chocolate banana with chantilly. It all starts to get a bit blurry after that!

Oh and some Alka Seltzer.



Steve Walker

Sirrocco at The Royal Yacht
If money was no object, I would like to create
a dessert made of Domori sur de Lago 70%
chocolate and salted caramel. The dessert
would be layered vanilla and banana mousse
with coconut daquaise covered in Domouri
chocolate ganash with sugared cashew nuts
and salted caramel ice cream decorated with
18 carat Gold Leaf. This would tick all the
decadent boxes, and it would definately be a
decadent price!



Peter ONeill

OH!Cafebar, Jersey Opera House
Money is always an issue for a non-profit
organisation so dreaming of decadent dishes
in OH! Cafébar kitchen isn't an option! To
be honest, I'm ok with that as I really enjoy
working with traditional ingredients to create
good homemade, tasty food. Nothing too
flashy but always delicious!

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PERFECTPOISE

Set within some 32 vergees of its own private land, Valley Farm boasts a beautifully refurbished home tailored to the highest of standards. Exuding grandeur and opulence, this fine establishment offers a blend of stylishly contemporary interiors and traditional architecture - yet despite this stateliness, a somewhat homely vibe.

The exquisite property stands upon an acre of irrigated garden, complete with a generous patio area and an extravagant heated swimming pool. Adjacent to this for those with a passion for the

Harbour, its peaceful position leads you to believe otherwise. In fact, with its magical views of the surrounding woodland and verdant grasslands, embracing the great outdoors is very much a theme here.

Valley farm benefits from an ideal location, positioned just a short drive from the airport, ten minutes from the spirit of St Helier's town centre and just a stone's throw away from a number of the island's highly reputable schools.



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Whilst the expansive kitchen - most definitely the heart and soul of Valley Farm -provides an ample breakfast space with easy access to the patio area - come summer, it's here an abundance of BBQs and al fresco dining opportunities take centre stage

This ample property showcases a large reception hallway, which to the left leads on to the original house and to the right, the once barn which has been entirely renovated now featuring beautiful windows and the original vaulted ceilings – seamlessly merging the two buildings together to create one superb family home.

Valley Farm enjoys two personalities, proposing a profusion of living quarters that alter effortlessly with the seasons. The original house comprises a charming drawing room come snug with open fire, wooden floors and double doors that lead on to the formal dining room – an ideal entertainment space perfectly tuned to extravagant Christmas lunches, dinner parties and family get togethers.

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To the first floor, you'll find five deluxe double bedrooms, three of which are ensuite – all with magnificent outlooks, bringing a sense of the outdoors in. One of which has been entitled the master guest boasting a show worthy-style bathroom as well as a platform to some of the best views in the house. To the second floor, there are a further two double bedrooms and one bathroom. None of the rooms appear overdecorated, which certainly leaves ample space for a potential buyer's imagination.







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The master bedroom, (one of the five on the first floor) and the undoubted star of Valley Farm, brags 'his and her' dressing rooms complete with a beautiful ensuite, finished to a five star standard.

The entire abode benefits from intelligent lighting, as well as a computer controlled tech-savvy sound system. And that's not all, attached to the property is an excellent self-contained cottage, complete with sitting room, a delightful kitchen, two double bedrooms (one with views over the fields and beyond) and a house bathroom. Furnished to a high standard, this space is the epitome of multi generational living. With planning to create a further one bedroom unit in place, some may see this outer area as a potential business opportunity in order to generate a further income. Whilst others may choose to transform this space into an external gym, expansive wine store or home office.

The outdoor area includes covered parking for four cars, a borehole complete with a specific water treatment facility granting purified water to the entire establishment, and ample security - initiated through 24 hour infrared exterior cameras, positioned to both the front and rear of the property.

Sympathetically restored, yet imbued with a new and distinctively contemporary identity, Valley Farm boasts an impressive family home with an abundance of potential - a magical country house with many rooms, a unique character and a charming appeal.

Valley Farm St Lawrence

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"We are absolutely delighted to secure Hayley's services going in to what is a very exciting period for us and for the Island as a whole. There are signs of economic recovery, change in legislation and in particular huge question marks regarding people's provision for income in retirement," said Terry. "Hayley has the approach, attitude and professionalism needed by our advisory staff and will be an important part of our development plans, for the future."

"For me, it's particularly satisfying, having been partly responsible for bringing Hayley into the industry some 15 years ago and having seen her progress to be one of the most respected and qualified advisers in the Island."

Born and educated in Jersey, Hayley is professionally qualified to Level 4 via the

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the reliable, easy-to-understand financial advice for which Henley is renowned.

Henley Financial, part of the Jersey-based Mortgage Shop Group, provides a full suite of financial and retirement planning advice, mainly for Island residents and companies.

"For me, it's particularly satisfying, having been partly responsible for bringing Hayley into the industry some 15 years ago and having seen her progress to be one of the most respected and qualified advisers in the Island." - Terry Vaughan

"This is a wonderful new challenge," said Hayley. "I'm looking forward to working with Terry once again and continuing to provide

To arrange a full financial review please contact Hayley on:

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Loved by celebs across the globe, the Vitamix Nutrition Centre features laser cut blades that reach speeds of 240mph, making light work of fruit and veg but still retaining all of the healthy nutrients. So if you're planning a health kick this new year and want to stick to it then having the Vitamix looking at you each morning in the kitchen will help you stay on track! Plus, it makes a brilliant Christmas gift for the health conscious person in your life.



UNUSUAL CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS FOR DAD

Fathers are notoriously hard to buy for, so to save dads all over Jersey getting a novelty Christmas themed jumper again this year we set out to find some great alternative gift ideas. Inspired by someone who bought their father chain-sawing trousers last Christmas from Romerils (that apparently went down a storm), we thought we'd head there to see what else they had to offer the main man in our lives.



1. POWER TOOLS! If your dad has a man cave full of gadgets then chances are he'll love some more practical man-stuff. It's best not to get him one of the more obvious power tools as he may already have it, so unless you have it on good authority that his muchloved drill is broken then opt for something a little less ordinary such as the Bosch multi-tool for cutting and sanding £69.95



2. MUSIC SPEAKER Does your dad subject you to endless repeats of his favourite songs from a time (long) gone by "when music was good"? If that sounds familiar then the Jam XT Extreme Bluetooth Wireless Speaker at £39.95 could be just the ticket for your music man. He'll love being able to listen to music or the radio whilst he is out tinkering in the garden or shed.



3. COFFEE MAKER Got a Dad who is always on the go? Or one who likes to think of himself as a bit of a coffee connoisseur? Then the cool Krups Nespresso Coffee Maker could be a good option. It was £189, but is currently on offer for £159 and it comes with a free £75 Nespresso gift card. If he doesn't already own one then this will be one of the best presents he ever gets.

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Our homes are our castles and it is important to make sure you feel looked after and comfortable in your own house. After a hard day's work there's nothing better than going home and curling up on a luxurious soft sofa. We also spend around a third of our lives in our beds, so making sure you have the right bed, and one in which you can sink into and dream the night away is incredibly important.

The Anastasia super king upholstered bed will give you the space and comfort you need, and in a quality fabric that can match your bedroom décor and give your room a luxury hotel feel. It also won't bust the budget at just £395.

If you like the idea of lounging in the day then the Caesar Chaise is up your street. Why not indulge yourself and see if you can persuade your partner to feed you grapes as you drape elegantly over this piece of decadent furniture. It's French inspired but takes its inspiration from the classic British Chesterfield sofa – the perfect combination for the Jersey home.

It's available in leather, heritage fabric or crushed velvet. The Caesar Chaise is £999.

As Christmas approaches thinking of a present for the man or woman who has everything is always tough, so why not buy them their own chair. We all like our own space, a little nest we can call our own and with the 2000 Harrington you can do it in style. It's available in vintage leather, heritage fabric, crushed velvet or a combination it costs £699.



A GREAT LITTLE TREASURE TROVE OF GIFTS

Rococo Art & Gifts showcases the best of contemporary craft and interior accessories selling unique and affordable work predominately by Jersey and British makers and designers. They are constantly on the lookout for new designers to profile as well as continuing to stock their customer favourites. To keep up to date with new arrivals and limited editions follow check them out on Facebook.



SEND CHRISTMAS CHEER!

With the behemoth advances in technology it has become a very lovely novelty to receive a personal handwritten card in the post now a days. Take the time this year to send the people who matter to you a bit of festive love in the post. In celebration of Christmas, luxury stationer Ananya has released a delightful, new range of greeting cards. The colourful collection featuring traditional designs, including Christmas trees and ornaments, is interpreted with an exotic, modern twist; the hallmark of Ananya.

As supporters of the world renowned conservation charity Durrell, Ananya will be donating all proceeds from the sale of the Christmas Bauble and Beads card to the Jersey based Trust.

The 2013 Ananya Christmas collection cards are priced at £2.50 each.
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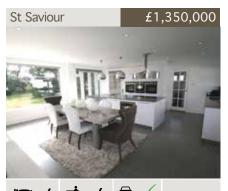
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NEW TO THE ISLAND

Bauformat, the luxury Bathroom and kitchen specialists based here in Jersey, are pleased to announce an exclusive deal which sees them distribute the British made and world famous baths by Ashton & Bentley. Director, Paul Kyriakou said: "We are thrilled to be working with Greg and the team at Bauformat in Jersey. To have our baths exclusively being sold by the team mean that our baths are in safe hands and Bauformat's customers receive the ultimate luxury brand in their homes."

All Ashton & Bentley baths are crafted from Correro, a material exclusive to the manufacturer which is rich in white marble and organic materials marked for its durability and elegance. Best of all, its thermal qualities allow water temperature to stay constant for longer, allowing for a more sumptuous bathing experience and ending the tiresome need to awkwardly add extra hot water during a bath!



THE PERFECT SET

The much coveted Palomba Collection by Swiss bathroom manufacturer Laufen has recently added several new statement pieces, including the beautiful wide asymmetrical washbasin pictured which really makes the room feel substantial as well as being perfectly practical for a busy household. Another striking focal point of the collection is a show stopping freestanding solid surface bath with an ergonomically sloped high back and natural lines that are moulded to the contours of the body, so if your night time relaxing baths mean a lot to you then this one offers sheer comfort and relaxation while guaranteeing to be a striking focal point of the bathroom. The range also now has a great series of co-ordinating accessories that will make your bathroom complete and most importantly matching!

Laufen's extensive range of quality bathroom products are available exclusively through Bauformat.



BATHROOM UTOPIA

The newly refurbished bathroom showroom at Nspace now showcases a huge range of bathroom products to meet all budgets. From the all-singing, all-dancing industry latest models to compact practical units, they now have it all on display,, including an example of this stunning black linear and white gloss i-Line unit by bathroom furniture brand Utopia which really stands out from the crowd. Pop in when you're next passing Five Oaks for some bathroom inspiration.



BRIGHT IDEAS

The Reach range from Kohler is a vast contemporary design collection of solutiondriven products that really includes something for everyone. Their perfect lines and simplicity mean that, as pictured, you can afford to be more adventurous with bright colours. So if you have a penchant for yellow, lilac or lime green then go for it!

Kohler is available from Nspace.

BEST OF BRITISH

After several decades of manufacturing luxury taps, Lefroy Brooks has rightfully taken its place as the dominant producer of traditional high-end British bathrooms in the world market. Many luxury UK brands have reinvented themselves over the last decade with Burberry, Dunhill and Bentley among others expanding domestically and into new markets where quality and pedigree is everything, and Lefroy Brooks is certainly one of these great British brands. The complete range of Lefroy Brooks bathrooms and accessories are exclusively available from Bauformat Kitchens and bathrooms and can be viewed in their St. Helier showroom.





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Roca is available from Nspace.

MONOCHROME

One stand out trend from the 2014 bathroom exhibitions has been the huge rise in the popularity of sleek and stylish monochrome. This beautiful look is reminiscent of cool London townhouses and sits well into almost any home. It will give a great masculine base to your bathroom and from there you an always add dashes of colour for a more personal touch. Or simply add some cream coloured towels and accessories to make your very own luxury spa feeling bathroom! Often people shy away from these stark colours worrying that they might not be 'warm' enough, however these gorgeous examples by PJH from their Bello range prove that just isn't the case.





This egg-shaped wonder is perfect for making a statement in a contemporary bathroom. It is sculptural with its eyecatching perfectly rounded edges and yet beautifully simple. Egg shaped bath tubs can bring a natural look to even the slickest bathroom. More modern than traditional it is a good option for someone looking for a contemporary tub with soft lines. After all, modern does not have to mean angular.

The PJH bath pictured is available from Direct Furniture Supplies.





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If your idea of proper R&R is slipping into a hot bubble bath with your partner then a duo bath, with comfortable sloping sides at both ends, is a must. This extra large white chromatherapy bath includes the wonderful feature of coloured lights which play through the water. Not only is this designed to calm the senses, it also looks fantastic.

Pssst: this bath comes with the extra added bonus of making 'forcing your children to have a bath before bed' become a thing of the past as they beg you to run an awesome coloured bath! PJH Chromatherapy baths are available from Direct Furniture



BUYING A BATHROOM BASICS

WORDS: ROLAND DUHEAUME, BATHROOM MANAGER AT ROMERILS

1. DECIDE YOUR STYLE AND BUDGET

At the outset, as well as setting your budget for your project, including installation, you should decide on a style that with compliment the whole interior scheme of your home.

2. SIT IN A BATHTUB BEFORE BUYING IT

Bigger isn't always better. A 60-inch tub is fine for most people. It offers enough room to stretch out and provides a secure foothold, so you don't float into oblivion when the tub is full. Assess the angled back and lip for comfort and neck support.

3. SELECT DURABLE FLOORING

Ceramic, marble and stone tiles are all excellent durable and water-resistant choices for a bathroom. Well-sealed hardwood floors offer natural warmth although unless treated properly wooden floors are not idea for the bathroom.

4. DESIGN LIGHTING THAT WORKS

Good lighting is imperative. It is ironic that, in a room where people need to visually inspect their hair and faces, lighting is usually inadequate. At the very least, consider having added lighting around the bathroom mirror. Consider adding a dimmer switch for perfect late night relaxing baths.

5. HANG A STYLISH MIRROR

Most people think of mirrors in bathrooms only for the purpose of checking makeup or primping hair. But it's also important to think of mirrors ir bathrooms as design elements which expand the room visually and add light to the room.

6. BUILD A SHOWER AREA

A walk-in shower area doesn't need a curtain or door and is less confining than a standard shower unit. If you are going down this route consider under tile heating which not only gives added comfort and warmth but is practical as it helps dry the room after showering.

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A TANGIBLE PLEASURE

Forget stocks and shares, the true savvy investor is empowering classic cars. From the 1960 Ferrari 250 GT Nembo Spyder to the vintage Mercedes Benz, vintage autos are accelerating faster than David Coulthard's smoked rear tyres.

Although the likes of Pink Floyd, Rodd Stewart and Sir Anthony Bamford are famed for their fleet of designer wheels, the buying of classic cars isn't solely an elitist activity.

In the past 12 months alone, the spiralling value of top-end automobiles has risen dramatically. However, this sudden rise cannot be explained by one factor alone, but instead a cocktail of dynamics – the technical sophistication of the vehicles, the rarity, the continuing competitive successes and of course, the racing pedigree. Nonetheless, just like a fine wine, unless you're passionate about the supremacy of a finely tuned vehicle, there's little point in investing.

Joe Castellino, Director of Le Riche Automobile Restorers (C.I.) Ltd, shares his expert views on the matter and whether he believes classic cars to be an antidote to an investor's crumpled brow.

'Much has been made in the media in recent years of how classic cars have become a new form of investment, often articles in the press and foot notes on TV news channels showing record breaking prices at auction, with famous cars reaching stratospheric levels of value. Notable examples being the 1964 Ferrari 250 GTO, which last sold for £26 million pounds! And in September this year the 1954 Mercedes Benz W196R racer car, driven by Juan Manuel Fangio, sold for a mere £19 million.'

Real and tangible assets that are demonstrably rare and sought after have become a safe haven for people looking to invest in something that is real, and something that they can hold. Rare stamps, contemporary art and most notably, real gold have all benefited from the economic woes of late, and as we observe, so have classic and vintage cars.

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BUT ARE SUCH INVESTMENTS SUSTAINABLE?

The demand for classic cars, especially in the Far East and Latin American emerging markets is quite obvious. These geographies are noteworthy in as much as they never retained a motoring heritage of their own, so if you are a Chinaman and a car enthusiast, and this passion is truly a global phenomena, your vehicle of choice is going to be either European or American, which only means, more and more collectors and enthusiasts are chasing a limited supply.



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AVOIDING THE PITFALLS

I would caution against a knee jerk or impulse purchase. Like any investment, there must be experience and discipline applied. There is a high level of industry expertise involved. If you are minded to buy something, don't do it on your own, talk to the specialist, as many pitfalls await the inexperienced. And a word of advice, buy the best car you can afford, as restoration is hugely expensive.

CREATIVELY DRIVEN

Investing in a classic car can be a sensible and practical way of parking your savings while adding a whole new social dimension to your weekends. Consider coveted cars, the ones that were expensive then and remain so now. If as a young boy (or girl.... as petrol headiness is not exclusively a male preserve!) you aspired and dreamt of one day owning a Jaguar E Type, Lotus Elite or Austin Healey 100/6, in fact, the list is endless, now could be a good time to buy. If you have some disposable income languishing idly in the bank, also think about a classic car to cherish, which will sit in the garage awaiting your attention on dry weekend.

"I assure you, it will make the hairs on your neck prick upwards every time you glimpse it peeking out from under its cover in the garage as you hasten to work. And when the weekend comes butterflies will flutter in your stomach when you gun the engine in readiness for a cruise."



MERCEDES BENZ W196R

A CHANGING GAME

Talking of classic cars (well classic vintage car trunks to be precise), both Johnnie Walker and Alfred Dunhill, and all of the brands that honour their visions today, have joined forces.

Combining modernity and heritage, these two British icons share a journey in the shape of the limited edition 'travellers trunk'. Inside, you'll find the signature Johnnie Walker Blue Label, accompanied by the infamous blue colouring of the trunk, handles with Sam Brown stud finish and leather straps, balanced by the contours of a map fashioned into the elegant birch wood. Only 500 of these bespoke pieces have been released, which certainly makes this particular collection an anticipated investment.

You only have to look at the world's most expensive whisky to see this particular field is a changing game. As I've already mentioned in Appetite, a bottle of Dalmore 62 scotch was recently purchased for an astounding £125,000. Yet even at this price, it still looks like a good investment – you just have to remember not to drink it!

As well as being a fine tipple, whisky (of many variants) holds an increasing allure as an investment piece. And as this particular bottle of Dalmore 62 suggests, the value of such a drink continues to rise.

The key with all sales, regardless of what you intend to buy, is rarity, and with only 12 bottles released at the same time, Dalmore certainly has that. Maybe it's the lure of owning something no one else can buy, or maybe it's the quaint bottle that features a platinum stag's head – regardless of the reasons, it's worth over £100,000 more than it was ten years ago!



Diamonds are attracting a new type of investor, and a handful of diamond dealers are seeing more and more everyday clients walk through their doors. However, it's not all plain sailing and those wishing to capitalise in this gem of a venture must be willing to do their homework first.

A POLISHED PERFORMANCE

Thanks to the Marilyn Monroe mandate of 1953, our love affair with diamonds has survived the decades. From their rarity to their value, to the way they gracefully reflect light, these precious stones have seeped both into our culture and conscience. Yet despite their romantic charm, they still stand as the hardest of any bulk material.



DIAMONDS ARE AN INVESTOR'S BEST FRIEND

Asides from being an emotional investment, diamonds are also proving to be an investor's best friend, and if, like many you're a magpie to shiny things, there are numerous ways to invest - from purchasing the gems and storing them to sell at a later date, to gaining exposure via diamond funds and buying into diamondmining company shares - Diamonds are attracting a new type of investor, and a handful of diamond dealers are seeing more and more everyday clients walk through their doors. However, it's not all plain sailing and those wishing to capitalise in this gem of a venture must be willing to do their homework first - the rarer your stone, the easier the sale.

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THE FOUR C'S

In order to determine the value of any given diamond, it's imperative that you remember the four C's – the cut, the clarity, the carat and the colour. Yet despite this analogy, just like a fingerprint or a snowflake, every diamond is unique.

Julia Williams, a Diamonds Graduate from the GIA and Director of Diamondology, Jersey's Diamond Experts, shares her expert views.

"What better investment than one you can wear and enjoy as the years go by, and as the benefits are two fold, diamonds can make excellent investments. But as with any venture, there are dos, don'ts and risks involved, and diamonds are no different. Key elements to include in your decision would be the grade of the diamond, the gemological report it holds, current market forces and of course, buying diamonds at the best deal possible. But most of all, investing in diamonds should be a pleasure that brings you joy as you wear them and also one that provides a good return."

THE YELLOW METAL

In recent years, this precious metal has enjoyed astronomical returns, yet is this the only reason many are looking to buy physical gold?

Martyn White of precious metals trading company GoldMoney provides us with the answer:

Physical gold is a preserver of wealth against falling currency values. Most smart long-term investors and individuals recognise the long-term safehaven properties of gold and the need to diversify their overall wealth, so it is not compromised by economic uncertainties and dangers. Therefore, gold ownership takes a very different approach to shares or property investments, as the timing of the purchase to make a quick return is not the real issue.

The other major factor is the falling value of currencies such as the USD and GBP. As we have seen, the world's central banks increase economic stimulus when they are worried about economic growth. With the banks starting to pile in more stimuli the value of currency falls. When this happens, gold's value generally increases.

A precious metals trading firm like GoldMoney allows customers to directly own their precious metals, with no minimum purchase amount. GoldMoney is a Jersey company, started in 2001, with over 22,000 customers worldwide and USD1.6bn of metals currently in storage. It offers a secure, convenient and costeffective way to purchase physical gold, as well as silver, platinum and palladium.

"Most analysts agree that, although difficult to measure, if all the gold currently in existence was put into one place, it would fit into an Olympic-size swimming pool."

Gold preserves purchasing power and wealth because the aboveground stock of gold (the gold-money supply) rises fractionally less than two per cent per annum year after year, and this growth rate is approximately equal to world population growth and annual new wealth creation globally.

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These factors, combined with increasing demand for physical gold ownership from Asia, mean that demand generally outstrips supply, which results in the price of gold increasing.

GoldMoney uses the world's leading nonbank vault operators in Canada, Hong Kong, Singapore, Switzerland and the UK to store these metals. Crucially, holding precious metals in this way, securely and outside of the banking system, provides security for those with a long-term interest in the value of their wealth.'



STAMPING OUT THE CRASH OF 2008

From vintage bottles of Bordeaux to Andy Warhol prints and the infamous Penny Black, such rarities (once described as investments for the adventurous), have now been granted the title of virtuous reserves!

Some believe tangible assets to be for the enthusiasts only; however, billions of pounds of these collectables are traded every year. Further to this, top-end stamps boast an investment track record envied by even the most successful of city fund managers.

Keith Heddle, Group Marketing & Investment Director of the Stanley Gibbons Group here in Jersey, shares his expert views on the matter and whether he believes stamps and rarities to be virtuous or volatile investments.

'Ever since the crash of 2008, Stanley Gibbons has seen a strong influx of clients from all sectors and walks of life looking to preserve some of their capital in tangible assets, rather than in 'virtual' or more volatile investments. We offer portfolios of rare stamps and rare coins, and according to indices listed on Bloomberg Professional, which act as a snapshot of the market today; both have shown a compound annual growth of 13% for the last 10 years. One of the strongest aspects of our service is trust - we are the experts' experts when it comes to prestige collectibles and that's why we've held the Royal Warrant for services to philately since 1914 - as one of our investors puts it

"If I can't trust a company that trades with the Queen regularly, who can I trust?"

With our head office in Jersey, we offer investment services to clients in Guernsey, London, Hong Kong and Singapore.'

FOR ART'S SAKE

In a world where many talk up their own book, it may be worth listening to the wise words of the late Pablo Picasso.

'I'm a joker who has understood his epoch and has extracted all he possibly could from the stupidity, greed and vanity of his contemporaries.'

However, art (be it contemporary or ancient) certainly has its draws. Yet plucking future stars from the current art landscape (although it sounds civilised) is not as simple as it first may seem.

If you're the kind of connoisseur that feels you have the ability to handpick the next Damien Hurst, then now may be the time to invest in something you can enjoy as it appreciates.

From websites showcasing some of the most interesting artwork to date, to graduation shows and a day spent trailing around the treasure troves of an auction room, 'finding art is an art in itself'.

Choose well and you could witness the value of such works rise in just a few short years. Take David Gainsborough Roberts as a fine example. Back in 1991 he began his famed collection of Marilyn Monroe memorabilia. (The first piece was purchased at Christie's Auction in South Kensington).

"I bought a costume and from then on I got wedded to Marilyn"

Aside from what is described as the largest private collection of Monroe's dresses, comprising over 20 of her outfits, Roberts also owns an abundance of fascinating and intimate objects, all of which hint at the vulnerable and self-destructive personality behind Marilyn's glamorous façade.

The collection, which was purchased for around £200,000-300,000, is now valued in the region of £12,414,640! Yet despite this astonishing figure, it's said that Roberts will never sell.



AUCTION HERO

Contemporary art is now at the forefront of the auction house pyramid. Without referring to boar hunting in France or deer stalking in Scotland, those in the art game 'love the hunt'. From tracking down Andy Warhol soup cans to Gerhard Richter abstracts, there's an army of eager clients willing to invest. Yet is it all what it's cracked up to be? Are the astronomical values of certain works put in place quite simply because someone with enough collateral took a fancy to them, dutifully knowing that once something has been given such a high price tag, the only way is up? Or is it all about timing? One thing is for sure; in the past two years alone contemporary art has been sitting high in the global sales charts

Artists such as Van Gogh and Picasso never witnessed their art as it is seen today. Of course, Francis Bacon and Hockney are still high on the agenda, yet a surprising number of young artists are now coming forward – able to command prices in the region of hundreds and thousands. Both the conceptual artist Glenn Lignon and the collage-and-graffiti connoisseur Nate Lowman are such emerging 'young' artists, intent on demanding vast figures for their works, whilst still being around to enjoy their earnings. Art, as it is, is simply moving into loftier aesthetic spheres.

However, it's not only contemporary masterpieces we should be looking out for.

Melissa Bonn, and Christie's Press Manager, Matthew Paton, share an insight into the world's leading art business as it is today.

'Historically, art and antiques have long been regarded as a stable store of value, and they can even make a handsome return in the medium to long term. However, at Christie's we do not act as art investment advisors – apart from anything else, it is near impossible to predict the tastes of future generations.' She continued:

'Certainly, art and antiques have proven to be an opportunity to store value in the longer term in a way that offers the chance to enjoy it in tangible form - a painting on your wall might add more to your everyday life than a monthly statement from the bank.'



ANDY WARHOL



MAKING A SUCCESSFUL BUY

Financially the most successful investors are those with a passion and an interest in acquiring art for its own sake. In buying works of art, it is normally the rule to buy the best that you can afford – this would offer the best chance of return in the future. The main influences on the desirability of a work of art tend to be the artist (and their place in art history), the period in which it was made, the ownership history, the condition, the quality and the rarity.

At Christie's, we have been selling works of art for nearly 250 years and throughout our history, we have seen works of art return to our rooms and pass to new owners. Over decades and centuries, we have seen works both gain and lose value, but in the large part – quality and rarity prompt financial return for works of art at every price level. The most important advice anyone can give is to ask the specialists, all of whom have a great passion and knowledge of their subject, and a great insight into the market in their category.

Some recent examples:

Gimcrack on Newmarket Heath by George Stubbs A.R.A. has sold at Christie's four times; in 1780, it realised 27 guineas; in 1943 it sold for £4,620; in 1951 it sold for £13,200; and in 2011, it fetched £22.4 million.

Untitled by Jean-Michel Basquiat (1960-1988) sold at Christie's New York on 12 November 2013 for \$29.3 million. It had last sold at Christie's in July 1992 for just over \$120,000. In November 2007 in London, Christie's sold **L.S. Lowry's** A Riverbank for £1.4 million. It had been acquired from the artist's gallery in 1951 for £175.







Real and tangible assets that are evidently rare and sought after have become a cache for investors looking to capitalise in something that is real, and also, something that they can hold. From rare stamps to contemporary art and real gold to vintage and classic automobiles, all have all benefited from the economic woes of late.

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ABOUT CHANNEL ISLAND AIR SEARCH

CI Air Search is a voluntary service providing a rapid response airborne search and rescue service in Channel Island waters. The service operates a 24 hour, 365 day basis in all weathers and provides service to the rescue centres of the Channel Islands, the French CROSSMA and CROSSCO centres on the adjoining French coast and, on occasions, the English Coastguards. It provides a rapid response search capability in the 4,000 square miles of water surrounding the Channel Islands and the adjacent French coast.

BLUE ISLANDS LAUNCH CI AIR SEARCH APPEAL

Local airline, Blue Islands have launched an appeal to raise vital funds to repair the Channel Islands Air Search's Lions' Pride aircraft. From now until the end of the year, Blue Islands will donate £5 from all return flights booked from both Guernsey and Jersey.

Rob Veron, managing director says,

"The Channel Islands Air Search is a very important institution for our islands and it is imperative we support them, now more than ever. Living on islands, we can all appreciate the heroic and lifesaving work they do and the unparalleled bravery. We're honoured to be supporting such a cause."

Colin Ferbrache, Chief Officer CIAS is delighted with the campaign.

"This is a wonderful, generous scheme by a pan island airline for a pan island rescue asset and we are most grateful to Blue Islands and its passengers for this support. Rob Veron, was one of the first to contact me after the accident asking how Blue Islands could help get Lions' Pride back in the air." By booking a return flight from either Jersey or Guernsey with Blue Islands, a donation will automatically be made to the Channel Islands Air Search fund. Customers will also be able to add to their donations, should they so wish, on a 'justgiving' link in booking confirmations. Regular updates on the number of donations made will be announced to track the progress of the campaign.

The Channel Islands Air Search was established 33 years ago and crewed entirely by volunteers who ensure the service is operational 24/7. Each year the costs to keep the Lions' Pride airborne is around £100,000. In addition to the annual running costs, funds have to be raised for capital items such as engine replacement programmes and other essential equipment.

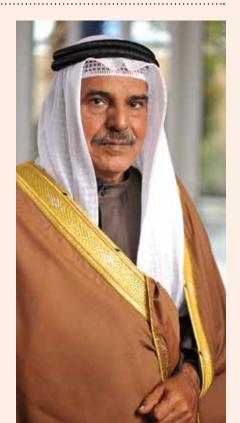
Additional donations can be made to the appeal on the following 'justgiving' site; www.justgiving.com/blueislands-lionspride Local media partners in both Guernsey and Jersey have pledged their support to the campaign including radio stations Channel 103 and Island FM and The Guernsey Press and Jersey Evening Post.

BATELCO BOLSTERED BY SURE THING IN THE ISLANDS

Revenue growth of 4% and margin growth of 6% during the 3rd quarter of 2013, saw Sure in the Channel Islands and Isle of Man contribute strongly to Batelco Group's growth in overseas revenue and exceed its target of deriving 50% of the Group's business from overseas. Batelco Group now receives 53% of revenues and 52% of EBITDA from operations outside of Bahrain. Growth in the Channel Islands and Isle of Man has been underpinned by strong growth in revenues from Enterprise Sales and Professional Services bringing reinvigorated insight and focus to the business markets.

Steady growth was also experienced in consumer mobile and broadband businesses supported by IPTV services, in itself showing a 30% rise in customer connections quarter-on-quarter, product bundling and the benefit attained from the dedicated Customer Experience Division. Extensive planning and preparations are also underway to launch a 4G/LTE network in 2014 to deliver improved cost efficiencies, operating performance and the introduction of a new range of services across the region.

Batelco Chairman, Shaikh Hamad Bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, announced the results following a meeting of the Board of Directors at Batelco Group Headquarters in Bahrain and referred directly to the performance of the Islands. "The first nine months of the year continued to be marked by consistently strong cash generation and growing customer numbers across the Group thanks largely to the addition of the Island Portfolio businesses, included for the first time in Batelco Group's half year 2013 figures," he said.



LOCAL STUDENTS SAY INWARD MIGRATION TO JERSEY ALLOWS THEM TO PURSUE THEIR AMBITIONS

Students taking part in the latest instalment of the Hawksford JCG Debate Series have said that immigrants play a significant, positive, role in Jersey's economy and afford them the opportunity to follow their own, off-island ambitions. Debate teams from Jersey College for Girls (JCG) and Grainville took to the stage last month to debate the issue of the island retaining its brightest young minds. Moderated by BBC Radio Jersey breakfast presenter, Matthew Price, the debate addressed the notion that 'This house believes it is better, for Jersey, for me to stay than go.'

In an emotion fuelled debate, the winning team managed to convince almost all of the gathered audience that young islanders should follow their ambitions off-island. Hawksford staff, students, teachers, governors and parents gathered to watch the group of 10 JCG and Grainville students debate the positive and negative impacts of the migration of young talent away from Jersey and the implications this may have for the island's future.

The team for the proposition argued that the retention of young talent in Jersey had significant economic, cultural and social effects on the island's future development. They told the audience that the States continues to invest heavily in the education and development of Jersey's youngsters, which in turn provides the basis for continued business progression without the need for large-scale immigration. Equally, the movement of talented youngsters away from Jersey would result in the net-drain of home grown talent. The team also highlighted the cultural and social implications of losing the island's core body of youngsters, resulting in the breakdown of family values and the loss of the passion and commitment needed to retain Jersey's unique heritage.

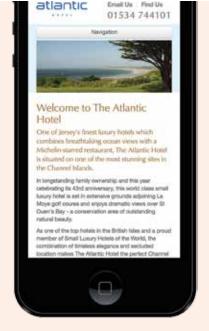
The team against the proposition argued that the lack of specialised training and career opportunities in Jersey made it necessary for youngsters to move away from the island in order to pursue their desired goals and aspirations. They proposed that immigration is positive for Jersey, as it enriches the island's culture and drives the level of competition and skills needed to compete as a global financial centre and to provide essential services. They concluded that preventing outward migration would ultimately impede civil liberties and reduce the happiness of individuals wishing to gain exposure to opportunities only available off-island.



MOORE STEPHENS REPRESENT JERSEY AT LEADING INVESTMENT FORUM

Directors from Moore Stephens in Jersey recently attended Expo Real, the International Trade Fair for Property and Investment in Munich. Partners Adrian Moll and Nick Solt, along with business development professional, Robert Leutkehaus, attended the conference in conjunction with colleagues from the German Moore Stephens network to share an exhibition space at the event. Expo Real is the biggest B2B trade show for property and investment in Europe and provides firms and businesses in the real estate sector with the chance to present their offering. This year the event attracted 36,000 participants from 68 countries and 400 speakers participated in the programme providing an overview of current trends and innovations in the property, investment and finance markets.

One area that was explored was the subject of reinvestment into the economies in the Euro Zone who have suffered more in the financial crisis than those such as Germany and the UK. The conference hinted at a return of investment into Spain where some are now seeing opportunities to invest, however it was noted that timing would be the key element to consider. Nick Solt, director of Moore Stephens Fund Administration in Jersev, said: "The continued health of the German economy was good to see as Germany remains an important investment market for Jersey real estate structures and funds. The improved outlook and return to confidence in the real estate sector is also good for Jersey given the strong reputation it has in the market for structures that invest in that asset class".



SWITCH DIGITAL LISTED IN 'INSPIRATIONAL' LIST ON RENOWNED INDUSTRY BLOG

Switch Digital was thrilled to learn that a responsive website, designed and developed by the St Helier based team, has been recognised on Econsultancy.com. the leading blog for the digital industry. Founded in 1999, Econsultancy has grown to become the leading source of independent advice and insight on digital marketing and ecommerce. The recognised site, created for Jersey's Atlantic Hotel, featured in the Econsultancy.com list of '13 inspirational examples of travel sites using responsive design.' Commenting on this recognition Damon Eastwood, Managing Director at Switch Digital said, "We're thrilled to have featured in this list, particularly as it was compiled by David Moth, Deputy Editor of Econsultancy.com. Moth is considered to be an opinion former and is extremely well respected in the digital sector."

www.theatlantichotel.com was re-launched in February 2013 following twelve months of development work. The new site set the luxury establishment apart from its competitors, as it became one of the first hotels in Europe to truly embrace the latest responsive technology. This innovative stance was remarked upon in Moth's blog as he said, "It's worth noting that none of the main travel brands appear to have moved to responsive design, so its been left up to local tourist boards and boutique hotels to lead the charge."

Discussing the enhancements made to the website Damon said, "We are particularly pleased with this recognition as the project was won in a pitch against a prestigious global digital agency. The new website is an evolution of the previous award-winning design and now incorporates a technical revolution under the covers. At the time of launch earlier this year, we were the first to work with an international restaurant booking partner, developing responsive implementation for its booking features."

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C5 IT Promotions

Antony Allen and Cindy Jacobs have been promoted to Head of IT Services within the Jersey office of C5 Alliance Group. Both individuals are former Itex employees and have been elevated to their new roles following the recent acquisition of the IT services company by C5 Alliance. Antony was the head of service delivery and operations at Itex and has a strong background in both customer relationship and management roles. In his new position Mr Allen will retain full control of the service desk and service operations at C5 Alliance Group, while also taking responsibility for the company's data centres, hosting services, internal systems and logistics. He will also build upon his existing relationships with several high profile clients. Cindy has 12 years' experience in the IT industry in a variety of roles ranging from service desk manager to IT manager and more recently a service transition manager. In her new role Ms Jacobs will apply her skills in leading the second and third line managed teams a role which poses multiple challenges and requires an understanding of each customer environment simultaneously. Following the acquisition of Itex, C5 Alliance Group is the only locally-owned, full service technology solutions company in the Channel Islands, employing over 170 of the most highly skilled IT specialists. C5 walk anyone? Doesn't quite sound right does it?





EY are most attractive

EY is not only an attractive employer for Channel Island students but the firm is also the world's most attractive professional services employer according to Universum's annual rating of The World's Most Attractive Employers. EY employs large numbers of both school leavers and graduates in Jersey and Guernsey, so receiving such an accolade will reinforce the view that many Channel Island students have of EY as a prestigious employee that enables lifelong careers both in the islands and internationally.

"We are proud that EY is the world's most attractive professional services employer in Universum's annual World's Most Attractive Employer ranking and remains a highly attractive employer for Channel Island Students," said Andrew Dann, Managing Partner at EY in the Channel Islands. "It is extremely important for us to attract and recruit top students because it is they who will soon join the professional community, united by shared values and a commitment to building a better working world."

New Director for KPMG Channel Islands

Lesley Averell has been promoted to Director of KPMG in the Channel Islands. Lesley qualified with the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland at PwC in Belfast before moving to KPMG in Jersey in 2002. She specialises in banking and various investment funds including real estate, mezzanine and debt funds and has worked on a wide range of KPMG clients throughout her career. Her role will extend into helping grow the business as well as the training and development of staff, something she particularly enjoyed in her previous role as Audit Department Senior Manager. Miss Averell, a chartered accountant whose career has involved time on secondment to the Jersey Financial Services Commission, said her new position will provide her with some interesting challenges.





Spa day, new coat, cocktails for you and your friends?

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Skipton International Managing Director attains Chartered Director status

Jim Coupe, Managing Director of Skipton International has been awarded the coveted Chartered Director status by the Institute of Directors (IoD). The IoD Chartered Director status is a globally recognized benchmark qualification. To qualify candidates need to have passed the IoD Certificate and Diploma examinations in Company Direction, submit a portfolio of evidence demonstrating substantial board experience and sound governance; which is then verified through a peer review interview by two experienced Chartered Directors. Jim said he was delighted to have received the Chartered Director status: 'It is vital that today's leading Directors are able to demonstrate professionalism and excellent corporate governance at a time when these qualities are very much in the spotlight. It can only benefit Channel Island companies if we encourage our colleagues and business leaders to work towards this qualification. Two of the key elements that I was required to demonstrate are expertise and integrity, and I am proud to say that I exercise these qualities on a daily basis whilst leading the team at Skipton International.'



Channel Island PR professionals elected to national council

Liquid's Managing Director Jason MacKenzie, who was the inaugural chairman of the Channel Islands Chartered Institute of Public Relations (CIPR) group and Steve Falla of Orchard, the current chairman, have both been elected to the institute's national governing Council. There were 15 candidates for the seven places on Council. Sarah Pinch of Pinch Point Communications was confirmed 2015 president-elect, in an uncontested election. Jason told us, "It is fantastic that two Channel Islanders now represent the PR industry at the national level. The CIPR represents 10,000 practitioners and has an exciting agenda for increasing professionalism within the PR industry".



Ivo appointed Fundraising Manager

Family Nursing & Home Care has appointed Ivo Le Maistre Smith as its first Fundraising Manager. Ivo has 20 years of experience in fundraising, including almost five years spent at Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust as Head of Business Development. At Durrell he was responsible for capital fundraising and for identifying and implementing opportunities for income growth. Ivo said, "Family Nursing & Home Care touch the lives of more islanders than any other charitable organisation. I have already seen first hand the fantastic work done by the charity, helping children, the sick, the elderly and the dying. I look forward to helping them raise the vital funds they need and I encourage everyone in Jersey to support this great charity."

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Students recognised in IoD Jersey Work Shadowing Initiative

Students who took part in the IoD Jersey's Work Shadowing Initiative this year were recognised at a prize giving event held at the Grand Hotel last month. Attended by over 170 students, business representatives, community leaders, parents and teachers, the event saw certificates and awards presented to the 49 students who took part in this year's scheme, which was sponsored by KPMG. Each year, the students' CVs, letters of applications, interviews and reports of their work shadowing experience are assessed for two main awards. This year, the overall prize was awarded to Samuel Lumborg from De La Salle who shadowed Susan Turnball Deputy Chief Medical Officer of Health, whilst the highly commended student was Robert Winspear from Victoria College who shadowed Siobhan Riley at Carey Olsen. Both Samuel and Robert were

presented with an engraved glass award by The Bailiff and will receive an all-expenses paid day trip to London in 2014 to attend the IoD Annual Convention which last year was held at the Royal Albert Hall, previous speakers have included the prime minister of the day, Bill Gates and Sir Richard Branson. In addition, a prize was awarded to Alexandre Da Conceicao for writing the best report on a work shadowing experience. Alexandre, who shadowed Clive Barton, Senior Parter of Moore Stephens, won an engraved silver ball point pen. The Jersey branch of the IoD has been running the Work Shadowing scheme for a number of years, supported by Careers Jersey. It provides a means for predominantly Year 12 students to experience a week shadowing a senior Director in order to get a taste for a business career. The 2014 scheme will get under way again in January, when presentations will be held for Sixth Forms at schools across Jersey.

To boldly go....

The Young Enterprise Jersey Programme this year sees 96 students from across the island's secondary schools taking part, will give these aspiring young entrepreneurs the opportunity to set up and run a real business for a year by each taking on functional director roles within their companies. Each company has to do everything you would expect from creating a business plan, raising the initial share capital through to designing and creating their product or service, generate revenue, and at the end of the year, wind up their business and pay their taxes!

The emphasis is on students (known as Achievers) taking responsibility and being the decision makers, though of course they have the benefit of guidance from Business Advisers who bring a wide range of experience from across the local community. The Company Programme offers a fast route to acquire key skills, attitudes and behaviours to boost the Achievers' employability. Many alumni of the Company Programme have gone on to outstanding careers as entrepreneurs, corporate executives and public figures, with some using the programme as a stepping stone to then continue with a business that was started as a YE company.

We are hoping that this year we can meet the success of one of last year's teams 'Venture' who won the 'Best Company Presentation' Award in the South-East England Regional Finals, which was a great achievement in Young Enterprise's 50th Anniversary year and in our 25th year of operating in Jersey!

If you are interested in finding out more or would like to get in touch, please visit www.youngenterprisejersey.org



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Sirentity wins two years running

Spa Sirène are thrilled to have been awarded the Good Spa Guide's Readers' Spa of the Year for the South West & Channel Islands. This is the second year in a row that the spa has scooped the award and with amount of competitors higher than ever before as the region includes the South West for the first time. Spa Sirène manager, Caroline Lilley says, "The spa staff work hard to maintain an exceptional standard for treatments and within our facilities so it's incredibly rewarding to win an award of this type, especially when it's been voted for by our guests. And to win it two years in a row is really the icing on the cake for us." Another nomination received by the spa was for their signature treatment, The Lavender Lullaby, in the Best Body Treatment Category. This category is chosen by the Good Spa Guide Spies and unfortunately, Spa Sirène did not win the award but as one of only six other nominated treatments nationally, are very proud to even have been nominated.



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CHARLOTTE TRIGG 21

TRAINEE FUND ACCOUNTANT AT AZTEC GROUP

Uni Attended: I decided not to go to University and instead spent the first three months of this year in Canada completing my ski instructor exams. Previously, I worked in a big four audit firm for a year.

What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8:

Probably something weird!

Favourite way to relax: Going to the gym or horse riding Favourite Possesion: My dogs, Oscar and Merlin. They're so naughty!

WHAT MADE YOU CHOOSE THE COMPANY YOU WORK FOR?

I chose to apply for a trainee role with Aztec Group because of their excellent reputation as a firm. Aztec Group really invest in their staff and dedicate a lot of time and resource into training their employees through the 'Aztec Academy.' Aztec Group has a unique culture, with a friendly atmosphere, which you will notice as soon as you join.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU TAKE?

Aztec Group offers the opportunity to study towards the ACCA, an internationally recognised accountancy qualification. So far, I have completed three out of the fourteen exams and am looking to sit the next two modules in December. Studying towards my ACCA whilst working has allowed me to progress in my chosen career and expand my accountancy knowledge simultaneously.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

My main responsibility within my team is to keep up-to-date with the bookkeeping for our clients on a daily basis. I also prepare ad hoc reports for the use of internal analysis and client information purposes. In December, I am looking forward to putting some of my learning from my studies into practice by becoming more involved in the preparation of the quarterly and end of year accounts.

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

My next step is to learn and develop my knowledge of the funds industry. In the short period I have been at Aztec Group I have learnt a vast amount and I hope that my knowledge will continue to grow with the support of my studies. Over the next two to three years I hope to complete my ACCA exams to become a qualified accountant. My goal then will be to secure a more senior role within my team.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

Choose a firm that suits you. You have to spend around 50% of your day at work and if you do not enjoy it, those 7 ½ hours will feel like a life time. I believe the key to your success is finding a firm which suits you, as not only will it develop you as a person, it will make that Monday morning a little bit easier!



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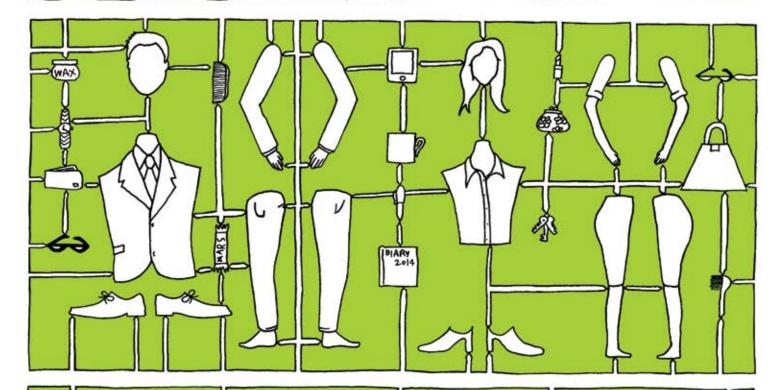
We are an independent owner-managed funds services business, focussed on private equity, venture capital and real estate funds. We are an innovative and thriving company with a reputation for driving forward standards in fund administration and have an enviable track record when it comes to service delivery. With offices in Guernsey, Jersey, Luxembourg and the UK, and employing over 170 staff, we are always on the prowl for bright, dynamic, dedicated team players. This year we recruited 25 trainees to join our growing business.

"If you choose to 'Make Yourself' at the Aztec Group, you will be given the opportunity to advance in your chosen career but also to enjoy a healthy work-life balance and join in a number of social events organised throughout the year. We recognise that employee training and development are key to the company's future and success but that it's also important to have fun!"

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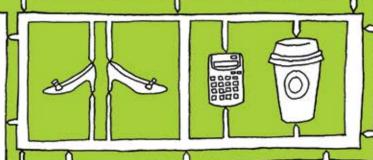
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ASSOCIATE AT BEDELL CRISTIN

Uni Attended: Durham University Course Undertaken: LLB Law What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8:

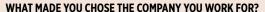
A lawyer, of course (or a pirate)

Favourite way to relax: Holidays (but not the travelling part of them as I always seem to be delayed!)

Favourite Place To Eat In Jersey: The Salty Dog

Favourite Possesion: Stripy the bear, who I have had all my life.

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WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU DO?

Following completion of my degree, I took the Legal Practice Course before starting my training contract and qualifying as an English Solicitor. The legal world is ever-changing. It is important to keep on top of the latest developments and learning is a continuous process and is often self-undertaken. I therefore take time to read the latest court judgements and academic papers on a variety of legal topics, not just my own specialism. Legal seminars and conferences are also a good way of broadening knowledge, so I make sure I attend as many of these as possible.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

I work in the International Private Client department of Bedell. We provide trust, foundation and company law advice to both individual and institutional clients, such as local trust companies. A normal day for me usually comprises drafting a variety of legal documents and the provision of advice to our clients, be it in writing, face to face meetings or over the telephone. As a firm we also produce regular legal briefings and updates on key issues for our clients, so occasionally I will assist in the preparation of these.



WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

I am currently qualified as an English Solicitor, so my next step is to begin studying for the Jersey law exams so that I may become an Advocate of the Royal Court of Jersey. That is my personal aspiration but it is important to remember that everybody is different and will have different personal career aims and milestones. Taking the Jersey law exams is not an absolute requirement and it is possible to have a very successful legal career in Jersey without deciding to take the Jersey exams.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

If you are interested in a career in law you should not feel nervous about contacting local law firms to enquire about how they can help you make that first step onto the ladder. As with many professions the job market can be competitive, so you will be at an advantage if you can do something that will make you stand out from the crowd, whether that is through the amount of experience you have gained (vacation schemes, voluntary work etc) or through your extracurricular interests or achievements.

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HANNAH CURTIS 22

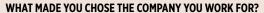
HR ADMINISTRATOR AT BNP PARIBAS

Uni Attended: Durham University

Course Undertaken: Modern Languages & Cultures (French & Italian) What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: A dolphin trainer Favourite way to relax:

(i) Reading, watching films, walking on St Ouen's beach Favourite Place To Eat In Jersey:

Big Vern's for breakfast or Suma's for dinner Favourite Possesion: My Chamilia bracelet, all of the beads have different meanings for me...also. my dogs!



Having studied French at University, the idea of working at BNP Paribas, a company with such a strong French link, was very appealing. I really liked the international reach of the organisation, its links with so many countries around the world made BNP Paribas seem like a connected, dynamic place to work. Moreover, I found this job through attending the Jersey Careers Fair in July where BNP Paribas's visibility and pro-activity in promoting the company gave the impression of a really positive and challenging culture.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU DO?

As I have only recently left University, I am taking a short break from studying! However, I have been already been made aware of various HR foundation courses and training, such as the CIPD Foundation Certificate in HR Practice, that I will certainly pursue in the future with the support of BNP Paribas.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

There is no such thing as an average day in HR but my general duties include; monitoring people joining and leaving the company, preparing contracts, induction packs and updating a variety of systems. I also provide on-hand support to the rest of the HR team who have very diverse roles. There are some tasks that I complete on a monthly basis such as calculating overtime and preparing reports for our Head Office in Paris. At the moment, I am assisting with organising the annual staff party which is great fun!

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

As I am still new to BNP Paribas, I am learning on a daily basis. I want to familiarise myself as much as possible with the organisation as well as the HR profession. My next step is to keep researching and looking at future training options. I love learning and am really keen to keep studying and progressing. Also, I would really like to keep up my languages and use them wherever possible.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

I would tell myself to not worry so much because as long as you are proactive, you never know what is just around the corner. I left University without any fixed plan for what was next and full of stories and fear about the lack of prospects for graduates. By attending just one careers fair, I was fortunate enough to meet the team from BNP Paribas and this great opportunity opened up. Not only did I find a graduate level job, I found an exciting career with a fantastic company and team.



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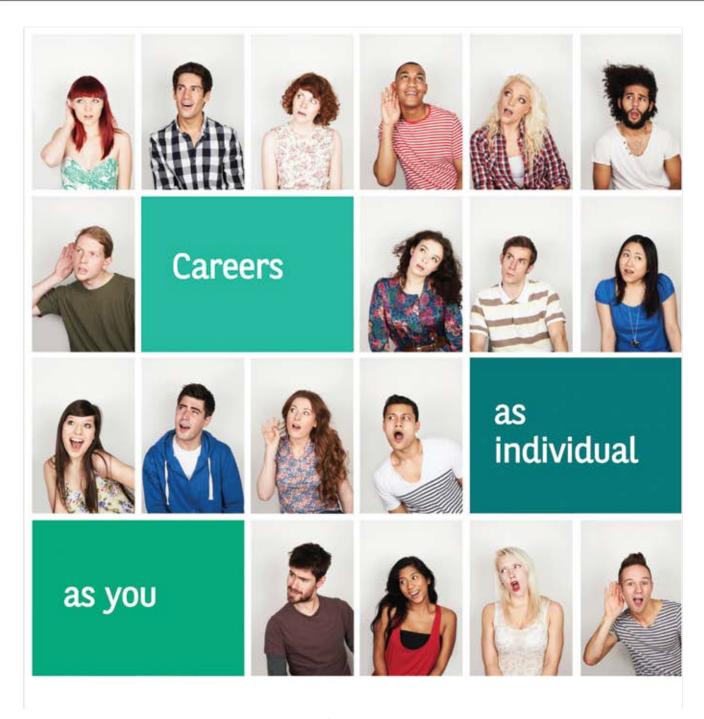
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JAMIE ELLIS 23

ASSOCIATE AT DELOITTE

Uni Attended: University of Bath

Degree: International Management and French What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: Cricketer Favourite way to relax: Playing Golf Favourite place to eat: CrabShack, St Brelade

Favourite Possesion: iPhone



Deloitte's reputation as one of the Big 4 Accounting Firms is well known and it has achieved 2nd in the Times Top 100 Graduate Employers for several years. This shows its consistency and commitment to graduate recruitment. The firm offered me the opportunity to gain an insight into accounting between leaving school and going to University when I spent a year working in the audit business. I found this to be a really valuable experience as it enabled me to understand and see what a career with Deloitte would be like.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU TAKE?

I started my exam training in September studying towards the ICAEW ACA qualification to become a Chartered Accountant. The study consists of 15 exams spread over 3 years, which sounds a lot but there is so much help provided for you, that you are completely supported through it, both at Deloitte and with the training provider. The fact that you have a large peer group going through the same thing means you are not alone, as well as those in the years above who have been through the same experience are able to offer guidance and support.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

So far, I don't think there is such a thing as an average day! Each day presents its own challenges and different aspects of working in the Audit department. Mostly it is working at client sites, as part of a team engaging with clients from a variety of businesses. Meeting clients face-to-face leads to experiencing far more than you would working from your desk in the office. You are constantly exposed to new situations where you need to adapt your knowledge, always working with colleagues who you can discuss any issues you come across.



WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

Given that my studies have just started, the next step is to pass the exams and become a Chartered Accountant. Whilst achieving this, the day-to-day work will compliment the practical studies to enable me to gain a better, and more complete understanding of the finance industry, that can be used later in my career. Taken together, working and studying gives you a fantastic all-round grounding, which can be taken anywhere in the world, possibly through secondment with Deloitte as the opportunities are almost endless!

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE **CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?**

The best advice I would pass on is to try and get some practical work experience or an internship in the career you want to pursue. The Summer Vacation Scheme offered by Deloitte is a great way to gain hands on experience that enables you to find out more about what it is really like if you were to do it full time. There is no substitute for experiencing the real thing and seeing for yourself, rather than just being told by others.

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MEET

ABI POOLE 25

EXECUTIVE AT EY



Uni Attended: University of Southampton
Course Undertaken: Mathematics with Astronomy
What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: An astronaut
Favourite way to relax: Dinner and drinks with friends.
Favourite Place To Eat In Jersey: Feast
Favourite Possesion: Bracelets given to me by my Grandmother

WHAT MADE YOU CHOOSE THE COMPANY YOU WORK FOR?

Due to the limited opportunities to become an astronaut in Jersey, I chose accountancy as the next best option! EY offered the opportunity to study for professional accountancy qualifications whilst immersing myself in a friendly and supportive environment. The scope for further development after qualification was obvious, with the size of the firm providing opportunities to specialise in a number of different areas, in a wide range of places.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU TAKE?

I have recently qualified with ICAS (Institute of Chartered of Accountants of Scotland). This is a 3 year commitment, sitting a total of 10 exams split into 3 blocks. For each block we are provided with training, taking us out of the office and giving us the opportunity to focus solely on our studies. The final exam is a case study which allows us to apply collectively the knowledge gained from our previous exams and also the practical experience from working with clients. .

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

My days generally involve catching up with managers, partners and clients, to provide them with updates on the progression of audits that I am working on. I will also manage the junior members of the teams, providing them with work and supporting them by answering any queries they may have and sharing my knowledge and experience. I have recently taken the opportunity to become involved in recruitment by conducting interviews for candidates wishing to join our graduate and school leaver programmes, as well as helping with the induction programme for our new intake. This has helped to broaden my experience of the firm and is something that I really enjoy.

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

There is huge scope for progression within EY. Over the next year I hope to further develop my people and work management skills which could enable me to progress to assistant manager. As I am now qualified the opportunity for travel is increased and I hope to apply for a secondment within the next couple of years in order to experience working for the firm in a different country.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

Don't be afraid to try new opportunities. I knew relatively little about accountancy when I first applied to work for EY and the thought of starting work in a new environment was very daunting. However, when I look back over the last 3 years, the amount of knowledge I have gained and the opportunities that have been given to me have been priceless.



EMPLOYER INFO: EY

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DAVID CONLON 22

TECHNICAL GRADUATE

Uni Attended: University of Warwick Course Undertaken: Physics masters degree What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: A pilot

What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: A pilot

Favourite way to relax: Playing video games, it is something I have done from a young age and I am very interested by the technology behind the video games industry

Favourite Place To Eat In Jersey:

Jambos Chinese restaurant at St. Brelades

Favourite Possesion: Would have to be my road bike, cycling around Jersey in the summer is fantastic.

WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THE COMPANY YOU WORK FOR?

JT are a company which has expanded massively in the past few years and I felt their goal to become the partner of choice in global telecoms innovation matches my goal to get the best out of myself. The JT graduate scheme itself is very dynamic and gives me the opportunity to sample different areas of the business which is something not many companies offer in their schemes. This will allow me to find an area within the business I am passionate about working in and give me diverse experience to use in the future.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU TAKE?

I am due to undertake a diploma in telecoms to give me the grounding knowledge of the technology used throughout the industry and in the future I have to opportunity to select from a number of professional qualifications including management and marketing courses or more technical qualifications depending on the career route I would like to take.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

At the moment I am involved in the Gigabit Jersey project and my day to day role involves analysis of the processes carried out and the systems used with a view to making them more efficient to help increase productivity.

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

Finishing the graduate scheme and then seeing what is available in my chosen line of profession, the scheme presents a perfect stepping stone from which I can build on for the future but at the moment my exact path is still unclear.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

I have only been in the role for 3 months so I do not have much advice I could give to myself from before I started. However I would encourage all those applying to university to make sure they choose a subject they enjoy and to also think about the job prospects their chosen degree will open for them.



EMPLOYER INFO: JT

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CAN YOU APPLY?

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GARY BRIGGS 22

Job Title: Trainee Tax Consultant
Uni attended: The University of York
Course undertaken: MPhys – Master of
Physics

What did you want to be when you were 8: An aeronautics/space engineer Favourite way to relax: Walking/swimming along quiet coasts or taking my motorbike into the Highlands of Scotland. Favourite place to eat in Jersey: A big fan of home cooking.

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP:

I'm hoping to finish off the ATT qualification in their November 2014 sitting, before starting on the ACA, possibly as the ACA/CTA joint qualification now offered. Assuming I am successful in qualifying it has long been a dream of mine to work abroad for 6 months to a year to experience another culture, so I'm spending my spare time studying certain languages to facilitate this should I have the opportunity.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW:

Keep working. It's not just what you learn that will be helpful, but the habit of learning and the refining of how you learn that will make life easier.

LAURA LEOTTA 24

Job Title: Audit Assistant
Uni attended: University of Milan,
Beijing Language and Culture University,
Nottingham University Business School
Course undertaken: B.A. in Linguistic &
Cultural Mediation with English and Mandarin
Chinese, Mandarin Chinese Intensive
Language Course (Pre-Intermediate Level),
MSc. in International Business (Curriculum:
Management of International Business in China)
What did you want to be when you were 8:
Doctor to join the Doctors Without Borders
Favourite way to relax:

Baking – anything from pizza to cakes. Favourite place to eat in Jersey: Bella Italia What's your favourite possession: Photos and memories from my past travels

or experiences abroad.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

My advice is to gain as much experience as possible to understand what you are good at and rule out career paths that do not match personal aspirations (internships are usually the best way). Also, I would start early to seek advice regarding CV writing and how to approach interviews to avoid wasting time. Try to speak directly to people who work in the industry. Last but not least, try to plan some experience abroad to gain a more global point of view and to learn how to approach work flexibly.

OLIVER BATISTE 24

Job Title: Audit Assistant
Uni attended: Loughborough University
Course undertaken: Geography and
Management

What did you want to be where you were 8:

A Dad and Part-time Lollypop Man
Favourite way to relax:
Putting on a Pink Floyd record
Favourite place to eat in Jersey:
The Hungry Man
What's your favourite possession:
My passport

WHAT MADE YOU CHOOSE THE COMPANY YOU WORK FOR?

Quite simply - the culture of KPMG. When I was making my initial graduate applications to various companies, I was very particular to only apply to companies that have both a forward thinking and people orientated culture. Now that I work for KPMG I am lucky enough to have made the right choice as they align with these cultures, which makes working here a very satisfying experience.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

It sounds like a cliché – but be yourself. There is no point pretending to be someone you are not in person or on paper. Firms like KPMG want to see a personality and someone who is honest. So just focus on seeking out a company where you believe you would fit in and go for it.

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RHONA PERKINS 23

Job Title: Audit Assistant Uni attended: University of Sussex Course undertaken:

Politics and International Relations What did you want to be where you were 8:

Favourite way to relax:

A Detective

Draw a picture/ read a book/ watch a film Favourite place to eat in Jersey: The Salty Dog in St Aubin

What's your favourite possession: My suitcase (if it's taking me somewhere nice)

WHAT MADE YOU CHOOSE THE COMPANY

YOU WORK FOR? I initially began to look into applying to KPMG after talking to employees who were enthusiastic about it from a professional and also a social aspect. I was also very keen on doing a job which would provide me with further qualifications as I want to continue to create opportunities and options as my career progresses. I chose KPMG as it is an international firm which provides a widely recognised qualification.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

If you don't know what you want to do as a career, at least know what you want to achieve. You need this to give you the focus and drive to get yourself the interviews and ultimately the job that you want. Other than that, be ambitious, push yourself but also be honest and realistic.

JAMES BANKS 24

Job Title: Audit Assistant Uni attended: Chichester Course undertaken:

Sport and Exercise Science

What did you want to be when you were 8: 8 and a half

Favourite way to relax: Gym or golf Favourite place to eat in Jersey: Pizza Express (man with simple tastes) What's your favourite possession: I don't have one

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

When not at college studying a typical day will be spent either in the office, at a clients premises, or both. This could involve carrying out analytical procedures on client data, interviews with clients or performing a walkthrough of procedures amongst other things. Tasks vary from day to day meaning that every day presents a new challenge and an opportunity to learn.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

Make sure you know what you want. All the different training routes provide a stern test of your dedication and the daily work tasks can be challenging. However, if you put the hard work in you will reap the rewards. It also helps to have a good support network around you when times are hard which is one of the great aspects about KPMG.

TIM MALET DE CARTERET 24

Job Title: Audit Assistant
Uni attended: University of Bristol
Course undertaken: Biochemistry
What did you want to be where you were 8:
An astronaut, obviously.
Favourite way to relax:
Take the dog out for a walk
Favourite place to eat in Jersey: Wildfire
What's your favourite possession: My bed

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

Qualify. After that, go for Partner! Seriously though, who knows, but one of the advantages of working in audit is that you get a look at so many different industries so maybe I'll get a taste for something on the way.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

You're doing great, keep up the good work.



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APRIL HAMEL 23

TRAINEE ENGLISH SOLICITOR AT OGIER

Uni Attended: Durham University

Course undertaken: Law

What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: A singer in a girl band Favourite way to relax: Spending time with friends and family, painting and pinterest!

Favourite place to eat in Jersey: The Dicq Shack Favourite Possesion: My dog, Ronnie

WHAT MADE YOU CHOOSE THE COMPANY YOU WORK FOR?

I have always enjoyed living in Jersey yet having studied English law for four years I wanted to qualify as an English solicitor. Ogier was the ideal firm because although based in Jersey, it offers a structured English law training contract programme.

Having previously been a bursary student, Ogier was an obvious choice for me. Having worked at a variety of other Jersey law firms I felt Ogier offered a greater exposure, involvement and quality of work.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU TAKE?

Over the next two years I will be moving around various departments where I will experience a range of practice areas such as banking, investment funds, corporate and commercial, litigation and trusts. The rotation system gives you the opportunity to work with different teams and individuals within the firm and ultimately enables you to decide which area you are best suited to. A training supervisor is allocated to you in each seat offering regular guidance and checking that all requirements of the training contract are met.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

Although the team I am currently in is dedicated to banking, in reality the work they do is much wider. For example, on a day to day basis, alongside any banking related work, I complete corporate, regulatory and CISX listing work. The variety of work from team to team means that you have to adapt and learn quickly. Such an assortment of work makes every day different and provides a great foundation to qualifying as an English solicitor.

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

My next step is to successfully complete all of my placements within Ogier and qualify as an English solicitor in September 2015. After which, I would like to look into qualifying as a Jersey lawyer. I think that being Jersey born makes this something which is very important to me. Besides these goals, the rest is to be determined!

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE **CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?**

I think that the best advice is to start researching potential jobs as early as possible, choose five-ten companies you would really like to work for and just apply to those. I have found from experience that applying to fewer companies seems to pay off because you can do more research, make your application stand out and finally impress the interviewer. One other piece of advice is that you can never have enough work experience on your C.V!



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MEET

FREDERICK HILTON 25

ASSOCIATE AT PWC

Uni Attended: Oxford Brookes

Course undertaken: Real Estate Management What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: Farmer Favourite way to relax: With friends Favourite place to eat in Jersey: Feast Favourite Possesion: The sound of ski's on fresh powder

WHAT MADE YOU CHOOSE PWC?

I worked as a fund administrator for 18 months prior to joining PwC. I knew I really liked the finance industry but I wanted a career path that would give me flexibility to work across a broader range of different businesses. When considering my options, I made a lot of enquiries and several people pointed me towards 'the big four' accountancy firms. I researched what it would be like to train and work in accountancy, and it was clear that with the ACA qualification and the experience I'd gain working particularly at PwC I'd be hard pressed to find a better route to a great career in finance. So, I applied to PwC: The firm offered the opportunity to gain exposure to big global clients, provided a huge amount of support to both trainees and more senior employees, and a structured career development path with very clear requirements for each level advancement.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU TAKE?

I'm currently studying towards my ACA qualification to become a Chartered Accountant. It's a 3 year course and a great challenge. There's lots of study needed, but it has significantly broadened my knowledge and understanding of the finance industry, as well as teaching me how to audit businesses.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

My time in the office is split up by chunks of time on study leave and preparing for exams, all of which the firm pays for. As an auditor, when I am working in the office it's usually at the clients' offices rather than PwC. Depending on the nature of a client's business and the size of the audit team my role can vary, I'm only in my second year of study but already given responsibility for aspects of the audit and mentoring more junior staff. A lot of our time is actually spent talking to the clients' staff, checking their records and verifying how they run and document the business systems and processes.

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

The next step is passing my exams. Then the reward for that will be the opportunity, if all goes well, to spend time working for another

PwC network firm in another country via a secondment. Colleagues are frequently spending time in firms from the US, Australia to London (closer to home). It's a great way to boost your career by gaining skills and experience working in different business sectors and cultures.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A 2012/13 GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

I would urge graduates, as well as undergraduates, to be organised and complete a variety of internships to allow you to find what career suits you. In doing so I think it is important to consider the long term opportunities as well as the culture of the company. Having studied Real Estate Management at university I was initially focused on pursuing a career in surveying and qualifying as a Chartered Surveyor; however, from completing various internships I became interested in the transactional side of the property industry and decided to focus on pursuing a career in the finance industry. This eventually led me to join PwC. I do not regret my past experience as I feel I gained a valuable insight into different roles and industries but I think it does pay to explore all the possible options thoroughly.



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MEET

JASMINE BLAKEMORE 22

GRADUATE TALENT PROGRAMME TRAINEE AT RBC WEALTH MANAGEMENT

Uni Attended: Lancaster University
Course undertaken: BSc Mathematics with Statistics, MSc Statistics
What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: Lawyer
Favourite way to relax: Baking - not quite up to Mary Berry
standards, and sometimes more stressful than relaxing!
Favourite place to eat in Jersey: Park House Thai Restaurant
Favourite Possesion: Signed collection of books by one of my
favourite authors, Terry Pratchett



I thoroughly enjoyed a Summer Internship I had with RBC in my 3rd year at University. It helped me to realise that I was suited to a position at RBC and had similar values as the company. My colleagues are both friendly and supportive and there are plenty of opportunities to undertake professional qualifications and secondments to other areas of the business or even other countries.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU TAKE?

I will start studying for my investment advice diploma (IAD) exams later this year, when completed this could lead to further relevant investment qualifications. I am lucky to be in this role as the programme consists of rotations round 4 different areas of RBC-banking, investments, Corporate Employee Executive Services and also PCFS (Trust) allowing me to experience different areas of the business which is great for personal development but also helps you make informed career choices in the future.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

For my first 6 weeks I have been working in the loans and transfers team and I am now placed within the Client Relationship team where I will stay for a further 6 weeks. I start my day by sorting through any emails and responding to queries from Clients and colleagues. I could then send off payments for invoices (internal and external), converse with solicitors, attend team meetings and many other tasks- my days are always different!

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

My next rotation will take me to Investments. After successfully completing this Graduate scheme I plan on applying for a permanent role in the area of the business which I feel I most suited and enjoyed. At the moment I envision myself working in Wealth Management for Emerging Markets in the future- but that could all change depending on my experiences and preferences throughout the rotation!

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

I would advise potential graduates to get involved with extracurricular activities alongside your degree as this demonstrates to potential employers your diversity and time management skills. It is also worth doing research on the positions and companies- their values and roles will vary and you want to ensure it is suitable for you. It is worth speaking to any family friends who are in similar roles to which you're applying in order to get some insider knowledge!



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MEET

PAUL ROWE 21

ADMINISTRATOR – EXECUTIVE INCENTIVES AT SANNE GROUP

Uni Attended:

Highlands University Centre, accredited by Plymouth University Course undertaken: BA (Hons) Degree in Financial Services What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8: Jeremy Clarkson Favourite way to relax: Play rugby for Les Quennevais Rugby Club Favourite place to eat in Jersey:

Holme Grown for a Full English or a Tropical Bistro Espetada Favourite Possesion: Fudge, my Labrador



I had spent a number of short stints as an intern at Sanne during my finance degree before I joined in August this year as a graduate. During this time, it was clear to me the focus Sanne put on its graduate programme, with the support given to graduates throughout their studies being vital to success. As an intern I was instantly made to feel welcome within the Executive Incentives team as well as the entire business and this definitely played a part in my decision to join Sanne.

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO I TAKE?

I have just begun studying for my first two exams as part of the ACCA qualification. With a degree in financial services, I saw this qualification as the next 'stepping stone' in my career. Comprising of 14 exams ranging from corporate law to financial management, the ACCA qualification gives me the opportunity to develop my knowledge and skills whilst gaining invaluable workplace experience at Sanne.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON YOUR AVERAGE DAY?

As part of the Executive Incentives team at Sanne, no two days are the same. I have exposure to both share based plans as well as cash based employee benefit trusts. A typical day may involve various administrative tasks, including; processing payments, bookkeeping, compiling valuations and asset statements, drafting minutes of directors meetings and communicating with our broad range of clients.

WHAT IS MY NEXT STEP?

My next step is to complete my ACCA exams as soon as possible to be become a fully qualified Chartered Certified Accountant. Upon completion of this qualification I hope to progress in my career, and further develop my knowledge and skills in the finance industry.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD I GIVE MYSELF AS A CURRENT GRADUATE?

As I had spent a period of time at Sanne as an intern, I was fortunate enough to know early on that working at Sanne and studying for ACCA was what I wanted to do upon completion of my degree. I therefore applied very early on and the process was smooth. However I am aware of the difficulties of applying for similar training contracts late on, so getting your CV out early on is imperative. With regards to qualifications, I highly recommend studying for ACCA, ACA or ICSA, as they are all respected qualifications which will put you in a very good position for a successful career in finance.



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CHRISTOPHER LEBÂCLE 21

PRIVATE EQUITY FUND ADMINISTRATOR AT STATE STREET

Uni Attended: None
What Did You Want To Be When You Were 8:
Pro footballer or a rally driver



Favourite way to relax: Going to the gym, playing football with my friends or tinkering around with my cars
Favourite place to eat in Jersey: My mum's kitchen
Favourite Possesion: My cars; 1972 Vanden Plas Princess 1300, 1996
Mini Cooper 35, 1998 Mini Cooper LE, 1998 Subaru Impreza GT Turbo

WHAT MADE YOU CHOOSE THE COMPANY YOU WORK FOR?

I knew State Street was a growing company and it sounded like an interesting place to work when I was looking for a job back in October 2010. Fortunately they gave me the chance I needed to kick start my career straight from school. I thought I would be at a disadvantage when it came to competing with university graduates, but they have been very supportive – particularly in terms of getting the professional training I need to help develop my career. State Street gave me an opportunity and I've never looked back

WHAT SORT OF PROFESSIONAL TRAINING DO YOU TAKE?

I have completed my ICSA (Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Accountants) certificate level course and I am currently completing my diploma level. State Street supports me – both in terms of financial support and giving me sufficient study leave to prepare for the exams.

WHAT DO YOU DO ON AN AVERAGE DAY?

I manage a medium-sized client portfolio which consists of three fund structures, with the support of a trainee administrator. I am helping train them in this specific area, as my previous manager supported and trained me. I am also a member of our volunteering committee and assist with setting up and organising projects to help our local community. Most recently I took part in projects with a number of other State Street volunteers helping with maintenance work at Mont Orgueil Castle and picking apples at Hamptonne for the cider festival. These are just a few of our annual volunteering events.

WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP?

I plan to keep working hard – my end goal is to be one of the youngest directors at State Street. I'm a driven and ambitious individual and so far, State Street has been fantastic in terms of supporting my development. I know that as the company continues to grow, they will support me in furthering my career.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOURSELF AS A GRADUATE CONSIDERING THE EXPERIENCE YOU HAVE NOW?

The advice I would give myself is as follows: Keep the same level of motivation you had when you first joined State Street. Always work hard, get the qualifications you need to climb the career ladder and try and achieve all of your goals.



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Having a central hub in which to play with ideas is a must, especially when you're a re-emerging and successful business. And for a bakery, a space that is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, it's the icing on the cake. This is exactly the case for Funchal Bakery & Coffee Shop - the brainchild of Sam Pinto.

With a name like 'Funchal' you've probably guessed this is an establishment with a Portuguese twist – Portuguese rolls being some of their best sellers! Their current wood burner produces 400 rolls in the space of ten minutes. And as if this wasn't enough, Funchal are preparing to install an even newer model with an even bigger production rate!

Aside from this, they're also a coffee shop that dabbles in creating exquisite handmade birthday, wedding and cupcake cake designs (made to order). With the exception of the flavours and spices sourced directly from Sam's hometown, Funchal strives on using local produce. Other baked delicacies include the likes of half and half (perfect for families with varying tastes),

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sliced bread, custard cakes and a range of regular special offers. All come with no sellby-date, making Funchal an establishment that embraces Jersey's good food vibe.

So why Bourne House? It's convenient, it's the perfect size, it's bang in the centre of town and its surrounded by an abundance of other companies – which makes it easy for Sam to spread the word when it comes to new product launches – of which burger baps, sugar-free cakes and hotdog buns are in the pipeline. Having an office base has allowed Funchal to focus on developing their existing portfolio and website, permitting them to take their business to the next level. Their ecommerce site will even allow clients to place orders online.

After a successful and on-going run with the Funchal Bakery, Sam intends to push his expertise overseas. The company already has an office in the UK run by Sam's brother, whilst the Jersey branch feeds solely off local business. There's also talk of expanding to neighbouring Guernsey in the very near future.

With current clients comprising the Coop, Jersey Rugby Club and Spar to name just a few, the development and growth of Funchal Bakery is set to create a number of new career openings. They've already employed the services of two college graduates, who will be trained in the art of old fashioned baking, as well as in house techniques. Sam tells me 'it's impossible to do well in one side of the business without learning the ins and outs of the other'.

With the festive season upon us – the bakeries most popular month – where their famous King Cake's begin to fly off the shelves, (a traditional Portuguese recipe comprising candied fruits and nuts) Funchal Bakery are certainly making good use of their new office space.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT FUNCHAL-BAKERY.CO.UK OR TELEPHONE 07829 888838

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The latest IPA Bellwether Report published last month shows marketing spend was revised higher in Q3 at the strongest rate in nearly 13 years. The Bellwether Report is based on a questionnaire survey of around 300 UK-based companies that provide regular quarterly information on trends in their marketing activities.

The survey panel has been carefully selected to ensure that the survey data provides an accurate indication of actual marketing trends in the whole economy. Participating companies therefore include a broad variety of advertisers in terms of market sectors and geographical locations.

Those companies that don't invest in marketing often find themselves in weaker positions, especially during, and after, tough economic times. As the world-famous investment king Warren Buffet once said: 'It's only when the tide goes out that you discover who has been swimming naked,' added Mr Grange.

'I'm confident about this year and beyond despite ongoing global concerns. There's been too much widespread fear and confidence needs to return, but there needs to be less greed in the future,'

- Peter Grange, Oi Managing Director

The survey panel is recruited from the nation's top 1,000 companies. Respondents are primarily marketing directors or similar. Conducted on a quarterly basis since Q1 2000, the latest Bellwether Report revealed a net balance* of 12.3% of companies registering an increase in budgets during Q3 2013. That compared to +7.3% in Q2 and was a fourth consecutive reading above zero. Respondents to the survey cited improved economic conditions and business revenues that in turn offered a platform for increased marketing investment.

'Progressively this year we have seen an increase in confidence and marketing spend from our clients,' said Peter Grange, Oi Managing Director.

'No matter what economic times we travel through, those companies than can, and do, invest in marketing are ultimately those that will be more successful. As marketing is all about focusing on customers, ensuring they are happy, while attracting new customers, it is businesses that understand and use it effectively that grow.

Q3's survey indicated that confidence for companies regarding their own financial prospects had grown to the greatest degree in eight-and-a-half years, with the net balance of firms becoming more optimistic reaching +49.2% (up from +27.6% in the previous quarter). The improvement in wider economic conditions was noted as a factor supporting optimism. This was borne out by the latest figures regarding industry financial prospects. The respective net balance hit a level of +35.4% (up from +6.1% in the previous quarter) and was also a series record high. The latest Bellwether results adds further to the evidence of a strengthening business climate in the UK and bolsters hopes that official data will show a strong expansion of the economy in the second half of 2013.

These positive trends mean an increase in GDP forecasts for 2013. Real UK ad spend growth is now projected to be 2.4% in 2013 and 3.6% in 2014.

BY **SECTOR**

Once again the internet saw its budgets raised up to a greater degree than any other category (+11.7% net balance). Within internet advertising online search, SEO spend were also revised up (+7.7% net balance). Main media advertising saw a second successive period of growth; the strongest since Q3 2010 (+3.4% net balance).

In contrast, Direct Marketing (-3.4%), Events (-1.1%), Market Research (-3.0%), PR (-1.7%) and 'Other' (-1.1%) all recorded net reductions indicating that companies are still being prudent in their approach to spending.

'The Bellwether survey adds to the growing flow of upbeat data on the UK economy. Marketing spend looks set to rise sharply as companies boost their budgets to an extent not seen in the 13-year history of the survey,' said Chris Williamson, Chief Economist at Markit and author of the Bellwether report.

'The increased appetite to spend on advertising and marketing is being fuelled by a surge in business optimism, with firms seeing their financial prospects to be the brightest for at least eight years.

'These survey findings are not only great news for the marketing industry but also for the UK's broader economic recovery. The fact that business are starting to spend in earnest again suggests we may finally see a long awaited upturn in investment spending, which will help take the UK's recovery onto a more sustainable footing.'

'I'm confident about this year and beyond despite ongoing global concerns. There's been too much widespread fear and confidence needs to return, but there needs to be less greed in the future,' added Mr Grange.

*The net balance is calculated by subtracting the percentage reporting on a downward revision from the percentage reporting an upward revision.

Source: Institute of Practitioners in Advertising (IPA), which represents the top 200 advertising agencies in the UK and Channel Islands. Oi is an accredited IPA CPD agency.

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Name: Will Golder

Age: 25

Sport: GB Bobsleigh

What do you do: I am a full time athlete with GBR Bobsleigh. I am the driver of the 2man and 4man sleds. I push on the front handle and jump in first to get hold of the steering to drive the sled down the track. It's my job to drive the sled down as fast as possible at speeds of around 145kmph and hitting 5Gs.

School attended: St Martins Primary and Victoria College secondary.

Favourite ice cream flavour: Mint Choc Chip with a flake.

Favourite Animal: I would love an Alaskan husky but being away all the time it just wouldn't be practical. Gorillas are pretty cool too.

Favourite food: Big sunday roast with all the trimmings and lots of gravy.

What would you wear to a fancy dress party? I've been known to go dressed as anything from a tube of Refreshers sweets, to a sheep. It doesn't happen so much these days when training full time but I think a transformer would be pretty funny.

Favourite Bob Sleighing expression? Erm, there isn't really one, apart from 'I'm cold' or 'why is it snowing?'. This is because it slows down the track!

I AM CURRENTLY TRYING TO GAIN ENOUGH POINTS FOR QUALIFICATION TO THE SOCHI OLYMPIC GAMES 2014

Favourite song? With so many different situations I have a few influential songs. I have a habit of listening to the Chariots of Fire theme song when I get to a track on race day. It gives me goose bumps and massively focusses my mind when walking up the track. I also find myself listening to Numb and Encore by Jay/Linkin Park to get me fired up before racing.

When did you start Bob Sleighing? I was first selected for GB in my first year at Uni in 2008. I first tried Bobsleigh in my final year at Victoria College when Sir Andrew Ridgway asked if I would like to join the recently formed Jersey Bobsleigh Club.

What is your worst Bob Sleighing accident? Crashing a 4man at 135kmph and being dragged to the finish line upside down at that speed.

Where do you think is the best place to Bob Sleigh in the world? St Moritz in Switzerland is a beautiful place but so is Calgary and Salt Lake City. The new track for the Olympics in Sochi, Russia, is also meant to be spectacular.

Where and when was your favourite Bob Sleighing moment? Winning Gold at the British Champs in the 2011/12 season and also gaining my best international result of 4th in Park City, Utah last year.

How can people get into Bob Sleighing in Jersey? The Jersey Bobsleigh Club is always looking for new members who have an interest in the sport. Anyone who would like to know more about getting involved in Jersey please feel free to email me at william@bobteamgolder.com and I will respond and forward on your emails to the Jersey club.

What competition have you taken part in most recently? I am currently trying to gain enough points for qualification to the Sochi Olympic Games 2014. I have been in Calgary, Canada and am now in Park City Utah. I had a tricky start with a crash in the 4man race but this week has been very positive and I finished 18th yesterday in very tricky blizzard conditions. I am training all week here and so hoping to get into the top 10 in the next few races.

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SAFETY ...FAST?

Above: James regrets throwing shapes on the dancefloor the previous evening after misinterpretation as some form of rain dance

James Walker took on Japan's famous Fuji Speedway for the sixth round of the World Endurance Championship (WEC) earlier this month. This was James' first visit to Japan and it certainly proved memorable with the race abandoned due to monsoon weather conditions.

The Fuji Speedway is a high speed and technical circuit and, for James, making the most of the limited practice time was vital: "Practice went very well for us. We cycled through all three drivers, giving us all time to get a feel for the circuit. I was due to qualify the car along with my Japanese team mate, ex F1 driver, Shinji Nakano. My laps were good enough for second place and once added to Shinji's we lined up in fifth. The car had a fantastic balance on the new tyres and we were really looking forward to the race on Sunday."

What happened on Sunday was out of the hands of the teams and drivers. Race day started under monsoon conditions. The conditions were so bad that the six hour race would start behind the safety car. After

only five laps behind the safety car the race was red flagged and brought to a halt. The organisers tried again one hour later but, as before, the standing water was just too bad. A third and final attempt was made to start the race but with no luck. The race was abandoned after 16 laps behind the safety car with not a single racing lap completed. The qualifying positions would therefore become the race result.

Although sorry for the fans, James believes organisers were right to stop the race: "It was a huge shame we didn't get to put on a show for the thousands of local fans that came out in horrific conditions. It was however the right decision. The wellbeing of the drivers, marshals and fans is the main priority."

ROLE MODEL FOR DEUTSCHE BANK HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME SELECTED TO PLAY AT THE FUTURES CUP

Jersey Hockey player Jenna Volpert has been selected into the Wessex Leopards squad of the England Hockey Futures Cup for the second year.

Following a Coaching and Assessment weekend in May arranged by the Jersey Hockey Association for the Deutsche Bank Development Programme, 17 year old Jenna Volpert will be playing for the Under 18s Wessex Leopards team for her second



England Hockey Futures Cup. The event saw English coaches assess the young players with a view to some of them progressing to further sessions in the UK that could eventually lead to an England assessment.

Locally Jenna plays for the Jersey College for Girls First Team, Quackers Hockey Club and represents the Island Ladies 1X1. She also participated in last year's Irish and English National Championships. Jenna trains with the One Foundation on their strength and conditioning programme and is also helping to coach youngsters on the Deutsche Bank Development Programme.

The Futures Cup competition, which takes place from 31st October to the 3rd November, aims to give younger players first hand experience of an international tournament environment. The Under 18s age group will play a round robin competition over the three days followed by classification matches in the fourth day.



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In each of his hour sessions Steve will track your progress, advise you on nutrition and work you out! We sent a Gallery guinea pig to try out a taster session with Steve and she reported; "Wow! I bought a package with him straight after the session! It was so good to be pushed and motivated. In the gym I just potter about, but this was actual training. I loved that Steve took me through every move making sure I was performing it properly so that I built my core muscles. I was surprised at how bad I was at doing simple fitness moves right. To have Steve there correcting my posture and getting rid of all my bad habits (which would have normally led to my sore back and knees playing up) was invaluable. I'm looking to lose half a stone in three months and Steve has devised a plan for me to tone and slim my thighs, stomach and arms, with weekly targets that have to be met! It is brilliant and so motivational. Each session is set to be varied which will keep my interest. Best of all he is such a nice guy. There was a lot of laughing throughout the session, which will just make my tummy flatter quicker!"

So this year, if you are considering another subscription to an expensive gym you'll barely visit, then visit back2lifefitness.com and check out some of Steve's packages. It's at least worth trying him for a taster session to see if it suits you. *Call Steve on 07797750417 to find out more*.

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If you're struggling to decide, look no further than the Aston Martin Vanquish in Skyfall silver and the slew of eccentrically named features that accompanies it.

Only Aston Martin could develop a car with 'Chancellor red' interior trim, six-speed touchtronic gearbox, 6.0 litre V12 engine burping out an impressive 565 brake horsepower. The sports car, currently on offer with all optional extras such as 'Shadow Bronze' jewellery pack, carbon fibre twill centre stacked facia's, twenty inch twenty spoke alloy wheels in 'satin black with diamond turning' and carbon fibre side strakes, weighs in as the newest incarnation of an Aston Martin flagship vehicle. Nothing says 'decadence' quite like driving a car that costs the same as a small apartment.

What you receive as standard, without the fancy trimmings, is wholly impressive too. The Aston Martin spurts out a top speed of 183mph and travels, rather aggressively between stationary and 62mph in approximately 4.1 seconds. If that wasn't enough for you, the super vehicle comes with 'lightweight phantom-grey' carpets.

Now who has those in their car?

Owners must expect to inherit great comment and status with the purchase of such a ferociously beautiful machine. Owners must also expect generous gawping from pedestrians, due to its cutting edge aerospace-engineered body and its Cosworth designed roar, especially during startup and 'launch'. The mix of carbon fibre and magnesium alloy screams performance, as does the gargling behemoth of an engine that lurks under the lightweight carbon hood.

As so frequently happens, day turns to night and the Vanquish transforms into a high-tech predator. The high-intensity discharge headlamps and LED repeaters, guaranteed to ward off the most fearsome of vampires and/or potential roadkill, burn through the darkness and burst to life. The cockpit spawns, the dials ignite, and the life-force of the Vanquish baths the pilot in

an adjustable electric glow. The interior displays hum, throb and react to the driver's every whim. The Vanquish is utterly distinctive from the inside out and critics are heralding its design and performance as nothing short of revolutionary (I would have to agree – Ron the writer).

From the hand-crafted capacitive glass buttons (with built-in illumination and haptic feedback) to the complete overhaul to the cabin environment control systems – Aston have managed to enhance driver comfort and performance whilst maintaining cutting edge design and safety. Put simply, they have developed around the driver.

The Vanquish six-speed automatic gearbox is engaged via a row of movement option buttons (park, reverse, neutral or drive) positioned on the central console. Aston Martin has made it even easier to see crowds of peasants gathering behind the

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vehicle, with a reverse activated camera system, appearing in glorious high definition via a recessed screen that appears from the dashboard. This nifty extra, aids reversing with computer generated guidance lines. They even adjust to the steering wheel movements in order to plot parking trajectory, which drastically improves accuracy whilst reducing potential damage to the vehicle. But why any driver lucky enough to pilot this machine would want to drive in any other direction than forward is a complete mystery. Even when stationary, the Vanquish looks like it wants to go.

The heavy grip steering wheel is packed with gadgets to improve the driving experience. The option to cycle through gears at blistering speed is supported by spring-loaded paddle shift gears, situated neatly behind the racing wheel and grafted to the steering column. The latency between gear shifting is minimal and only an issue for conversational value. Its suspension is reactive and compliments the torque in and out of cornering, only adding to the raw power and agility of the car.

Strangely, the boffs at Aston Martin have incorporated rear seating in the Vanquish. Why any respectable driver would want to strap their small children (uncomfortably) into the back and reach brain-melting speeds in a very short space of time is somewhat confusing. The front seats are comfortable and easily accessible but generously crafted for the size zero Russian model accompanying you on your journey. The rear seats should be only used to carry shopping bags or an additional catwalk model. For the sake of passenger comfort, ensure the model is draped lengthways across both seats.

The Vanquish eliminates all preconceptions of what a bespoke sports car is. Whilst managing to infuse the unadulterated passion, design and performance of previous models, the new Vanquish is a reimagining of their greatest vehicles and a blueprint for the future. It is a brave and dedicated venture for Aston Martin and put simply, the stuff of dreams. You don't travel to destinations in a car such as this. You arrive.

If it's good enough for Bond it's good enough for Jersey.

The brand new Aston Martin Vanguish is available now at your favourite online Aston Martin retailer!





JAMES WALKER **HELMET DESIGN COMPETITION 2013**

The James Walker Helmet Design Competition 2013 is now closed. A huge thank you to everyone who took part; we've had an amazing response and received some fantastic entries. Our judges now have the difficult task of choosing the winning designs from each age category. As well as having their designs professionally produced for James to wear around the world throughout his 2014 racing schedule, the two winning designers will win two tickets to one of James' UK 2014 races, a scale replica helmet featuring their winning design along with a certificate and an exclusive interview with Gallery Magazine.

Watch this space - the winners, along with their winning designs, will be announced in our next issue.









Decadent GADGETS

WORDS TAYLOR JONES

THE ALMOST OVERLY-EROTICALLY PORTRAYED SELINA KYLE, OR CATWOMAN, ONCE SAID, "THERE'S A STORM COMING MR. WAYNE. YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS BETTER BATTEN DOWN THE HATCHES BECAUSE WHEN IT HITS, YOU'RE ALL GOING TO WONDER HOW YOU EVER THOUGHT YOU COULD LIVE SO LARGE AND LEAVE SO LITTLE FOR THE REST OF US."

Whilst this was undeniably intended as a poignant, condemning commentary on "the 1%" of America and the wealthy throughout the world in general, the message has somewhat been lost on me after researching the gadgets for this month's issue. Yes, I still understand that the concept of decadence has negative connotations, implying the degradation of morals and art through self-indulgence, however I challenge anybody that claims they would not "leave so little for the rest of us" if they could own their own personal submarine.

So, if like me you sympathise with those who don't leave so much for the rest of us, join me in discovering the finer things in life that only a mix of extreme wealth and a complete lack of common sense can buy. Let's celebrate those who choose to throw money away on the things that make it only too obvious that a trust fund is indeed the easiest way become popular, and rejoice in the fact that it's them who are willing waste millions (yes, millions) on things like golden watches and hovercrafts.



HAMMACHER SCHLEMMER FLYING HOVERCRAFT \$190,000

The Batmobile, the Doc's Delorean, even the great General Lee. All undeniably great modes of transport, however they all share one weakness. What happens when Boss Hog gets his hands on a jetpack? Of course, you call Hammacher Schlemmer (and the nearest money-lending service) to come to the rescue! Forget whatever images you have of those measly hovercrafts you've seen on TV that simply inflate and make it seem like you're off the ground. Now, after parting with only a small fortune, you can get your hands on the real thing. Using what seems like an incredibly basic system of wings, this vehicular innovation supposedly allows the pilot to hop effortlessly over 20 inches above the ground, god forbid their newest toy be scratched by the very ground the commoners walk upon.

At only \$190,000, who wouldn't throw away their child's university degree to be able to say to their friends "look, as I float over that small mound that could so easily have tripped me up!"



TRITON 3300/3 PERSONAL SUBMARINE **\$2,000,000**

The depths of the deep blue sea. For most, a world only seen and explained on David Attenborough nature programs. For the decadent individual, just another surface to conquer and mine. However, the universal problem, even for the rich, is how to reach the bottom of the seas. Even money can't protect you from bone-crushing pressure.

Hang on. Yes, of course it can.

More accurately, Triton, the makers of personal and large submarines, can protect you from bone-crushing pressure. Their 3300/3 model, the most popular in the range, is designed for deep sea discovery voyagers, or the failing parents trying to buy their child's love at a cost of \$2,000,000. The 3300/3 allows for a pilot and two passengers to travel in "perfect comfort and safety" (their words) whilst plummeting to depths of 1km below sea level. Who knows what you'll find that far down, but I'm fairly sure whatever it is will impress the neighbours' children so much they'll start to question why they get stuck with a PS3 and HD TV.



KOHLER NUMI LUXURY TOILET \$49,150

People judge your house by only one room. Not the kitchen, not the living room, not even the bedroom. No, it is the bathroom. One experience at the toilet can completely change a person's perspective on the entire home, and that's why it's so imperative that when a guest needs to go, they go in style. For the man/woman that is willing the spend nearly \$50,000 on such a center-piece of the home, Kohler's Numi Luxury Toilet is the perfect buy. With a fully automated, electronically controlled seat and feet warmers as well as a fully integrated music system, anybody can now keep the hordes of visitors moving through their giant home in an orderly queue, like the museum it used to be. This incredible piece of equipment even has a built-in deodoriser, because Kohler know that despite the fact the riches' shit doesn't stink, it's best to be prepared for when one of the butlers dare venture into the room.

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CHOPARD 201-CARAT WATCH \$25,000,000

There are two types of people in the world that wake up in the morning and think "I *must* have a 201-Carat gold watch". The first, people that have far too much money and are willing to go to extreme lengths to demonstrate that fact. The second, men who have done something so irreparably stupid concerning their spouse that they feel only a \$25,000,000 can act as their bargaining chip, rather than the usual flowers and chocolate. The watch boasts many features that would make the average-income homeowner feel nauseous, but apparently a mass total of 874 diamonds on a single timepiece brings the upper classes to their knees.

As a man that has never truly understood the intricate differences between a Cartier and a Swatch, this creation truly pushes the boundaries of what I thought was acceptable in the field of watchmaking. As both a fashion statement and a practical accessory this truly blows my mind, forcing me to question my own perception on the watch when the face itself is covered by diamonds, surely defeating the entire point? However, it appears that Chopard's monster is popular amongst the rich/sorry husbands, and thus it makes it into the list of extremely, extremely decadent gadgets.



SUIBODASHI HEAVY INDUSTRY KURATAS \$1,300,000 It's finally happening. Terminator tried to warn us, iRobot tried to warn us, and we just didn't listen. Or more specifically, the Japanese didn't listen. The scientists over at Suibodashi Heavy Industry have truly lost their collective minds, and have come together to create what I believe will be the machine that brings around the end of humanity. It's a giant, remote-or-human controlled robot killing machine (guns and killing optional, and highly illegal). That's right, this 4 metre high, 4,500kg abomination is designed to transport (destroy) humans, and even has the added bonus of being able to attach rocket launchers, handguns and multiple other handheld weapons. Obviously influenced by the raving success of the Iron Man franchise, these insane mechanics have clearly marketed their product to the type comparable to Tony Stark, the "billionaire playboy philanthropist". At \$1.3 million, The Kuratas will most probably clear out the bank, but on the bright side, with all that Kevlar, titanium and firepower, you can just rob the money right back.

I'm not a God-fearing man, but personally, I can only plead with the sweet lord Christ to help us when these things either end up in the wrong hands or inevitably become sentient beings and realise that the humans must die.

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Add to this the fact that the Xperia Z1 features a 2000mAh battery that lasts an age and comes complete with an intuitive stamina mode, that enables the handset to maximise functionality while minimising drain, and you've got a phone that real is ready for any occasion.

4G ready and with an ultra powerful 2.2 Ghz quad-core processor, the Z1 is perfect for streaming content faster than you've ever experienced. Once downloaded, those videos will look amazing on the 5-inch full HD Triluminos display.

As well as being waterproof, the Z1 is also dust resistant which means it will take a lot to put this phone out of action.

Available in black and white, the Z1 comes installed with £65 worth of entertainment content from the Sony Entertainment Network. This means that you can download five films straight away and can also enjoy a 60-day trial of Music Unlimited from a choice of millions of tracks!

To get your hands on the stunning yet rugged Sony Xperia Z1 in time for Christmas, just head straight to the Sure store in St Helier where you can get it for free on the 46 per month Smart Ultimate plan.





WHAT'S GOING IN MY STOCKING?

Will superstar DJ (Airtel-Vodafone Brand Ambassador) Hannah Jacques get a Galaxy S4 or an iPhone 5 this Christmas?

I've been trying to decide what to ask Santa for: the Samsung Galaxy S4, or the iPhone 5S.

They're both great: the Galaxy S4 takes fantastic pictures, has an amazing screen, a fast processor, and is really instinctive to use. It's also got some great extras, like Smart Scroll (which lets me scroll down just by moving my head).

The iPhone 5S on the other hand looks classier, has fingerprint scanner security (which is very cool) and has that Apple on it, which I love. But take away the Apple and maybe the Galaxy is better...

So which? Instead of Santa, I asked the lovely guys at Airtel-Vodafone which one they'd go for. They talked me through each phone and I had good look at both. And I still can't decide. So, Santa, it's down to you.





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There is nothing like a firework display to top off a joyous celebration. Everyone has a classic favourite, whether it's the whirling catherine wheel, the banshee with its ear-splitting screech or the gorgeous shimmer of golden rain, it is also not humanly possible to write your name in the air using a sparkler and not smile.

Starburst Fireworks' James Bevis has a bevy of fireworks at his disposal. He can personalise displays and even choreograph a fireworks to music. James has extensive experience in the firework industry, working with everyone from the Opera House to the British Army, and it's always a good idea to call in the professionals so that you can be completely sure that the display will go off without a hitch.

With Christmas and NYE approaching, two occasions which are surely exploding with pyrotechnic potential, James tells us about his Top Five fireworks which would be the glittery icing on top of the cake for any occasion this season.

Single Ignition \ 117 shots (£79.99)

This is a truly excellent option as it is an all-in-one package which will produce shooting stars and glitter mines and the colour scheme of red, gold and green is absolutely perfect for any festive bash.



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BYRD ISTHE WORD!

Local D&B party-starters Chaka return after the huge success of their 'Blkout' event at Fort Regent earlier this year, with a Christmas party at the Havana, and their headliner is one with a proven track record of rocking the socks off Jersey's dancefloors. Drum n' bass kingpin Danny Byrd will take to the decks on December 21st, and caught up with Gallery to give us a clue as to

> This'll be your third time playing in Jersey, after the last Chaka event and of course Jersey Live - what are your experiences of your previous visits? Well I never knew what to expect coming to Jersey, but Jersey Live was such a fantastic show and so much energy so I wasn't surprised when I came back for the last Chaka event. I really can't wait to come back especially as it will be like a mini Christmas warm up - I like a festive gig! Ha... in fact the only things I don't like about Jersey are the small propeller planes! I hate flying! No wild after parties from what I remember but there's always December!

You've played in some huge venues and festival arenas, so your gig at the Havana, with a capacity of 350, is a relatively

intimate one. Do you approach these gigs differently, and is it more or less challenging than performing to a huge crowd? I'd say they are about the same; I do prefer the more intimate shows for sure. The vibes are better as it's more compact and you can deviate and not play so many 'festival bangers' but I always try to bring a good party atmosphere where I play so it's not too different really. The only thing that puts me off is if the front of the crowd are right by the decks as I get paranoid someone will unplug the mixer or something which has happened a few times, but yes, Havana is a wicked venue to play in.

Do you prefer the thrill of being on the road or do you get more satisfaction from knuckling down in the studio and being rooted to one place? Well last year I took six months off DJ-ing to focus on the studio and I found I wasn't as productive as I thought I would have been, and I realised that the two go hand in hand. It's good to have a forced exile from the studio every weekend and keeps you inspired and wanted to get back in there, opposed to having freedom in the studio 24/7, which actually can paralyse the creativity sometimes.

too. Saying that, I'm always thankful to be doing what I'm doing. I think the really 'wow' periods are when you get to go to places like Australia, or I remember playing Dallas, Texas, and when I was younger was interested in the JFK assassination, so actually got to visit that site. It's crazy when music takes you to these places you wouldn't normally have travelled to.

You've been producing for a long time now - how has your approach, and your sound evolved over that period? I think when you start out you're just making tracks for the clubs and then you start to record a few vocals and then instruments, and then years later you work out that you're quite a experienced producer that could record a orchestra if you put your mind to it rather just being a kid making underground music in their bedroom. It's always evolving but I'm glad dance music producers are having the respect they deserve these days.

What's on your record player at the moment? I really like a band called Fryars at the moment, and I also like the new Eminem album, which I bought last week – and the new Sub Focus album too.

The only thing that puts me off is if the front of the crowd are right by the decks as I get paranoid someone will unplug the mixer or something which has happened a few times, but yes, Havana is a wicked venue to play in.

When you're in the studio, how long do you tend to spend on a track? Do you consider yourself a perfectionist? There are stories of people like Giorgio Moroder spending literally just hours on certain tracks before $\it moving$ on to the next thing... Yeah I'm pretty OCD with it. Sometimes remixes have to be finished quickly so they get turned around in a week but if you're doing something from scratch and recording vocals etcetera, it's not uncommon to take a couple of months on and off. Making D&B is quite complex music and requires a lot of effort to get things sounding as you'd expect them to but then I think I enjoy the challenge at the same time.

I imagine the day-to-day life of a touring DJ, by most people's standards, is pretty exciting, but I suppose it all eventually becomes something of a routine. However, when was the last time you had to pinch yourself and think, "wow, this is really my job"? The routine part of it is the travel and I think that blocks the appreciation of the situation you're in sometimes. I mean for most people the worst part of a holiday is the getting there and the going home, but as a DJ you'll do that in a 24 hour period in a weekend and on about three hours sleep

What's your new year's resolution? Ahhh, I don't really have one. I try to remain focused regardless of a date change, but I guess I'm trying to build a house in Bristol at the moment and would like to try and get that rolling and completed in 2014 if I can...

What would be your ideal gift this Christmas? A 007 box set - not that they are not on Sky enough as it is mind!

What's in the pipeline for you? I'm excited to be going to Australia and New Zealand for a Hospitality tour for the New Year period. I have some garage remixes from legend Wookie and Majestic of my Golden Ticket album coming out in December and by the time you read this I will be dropping a free bootleg album on my Facebook fan page... Facebook.com/dannybyrddnb.

Danny Byrd headlines Chaka's 'Christmas Mashup' at the Havana on Saturday 21st December. Tickets are £10 from White Label Records.



ALL FOR A GOOD CAUSE

After seeing the atrocity and devastation of the Philippines Typhoon Haiyan, Gavin Tate (of Gaa Gaas fame) felt the need to put on a music event in Jersey to raise money for the appeal. Lots of people showed interest after he posted a status on Facebook announcing the event.

All the acts that have chosen to support him are of a high standard and are showcasing the islands music scene at its most current and best. His band, The Gaa Gaas, have been playing shows in Jersey since the beginning of the noughties.

We asked him about the other acts; "Stan Smith are in my opinion the best metal band to come out of Jersey. Soulless Kings are a great progressive force; Justin Curran is Jerseys answer to Neil Young. Tadgh Daly is new to the Jersey music scene and is very promising. David Gaffney has been taking his writing further by pushing his name on the Liverpool circuit and David Keenan is the Gorillaz of modern folk. DJ Pip will be spinning anthems through out the night, this looks to be a great event so come and support a great cause". So, if you fancy a night of varied local music to raise some funds, get on down there.

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Gallery caught up with local artist Sam Falle to discuss Winterfalle, and all things music making...

What's led you to this new persona? I began writing for Winterfalle after my old band Quick and the Dead split up. I'd never wanted to be a singer-songwriter but I felt that I should learn to stand on my own two feet. I also knew that I never again wanted to be in the position where my entire creative life was dependent upon the desires of other people. So I started Winterfalle.

Winterfalle' runs together an old family name (Winter) with my surname (Falle). To me, Winterfalle is a fictional world which my music soundtracks. My lyrics tell stories set there. I wanted to hold up a dark mirror to experiences of growing up in the Island, to bring to light things we tend not to want to engage with either because they are too painful or too close to home.

I've been writing narrative-led lyrics accompanied by music that moves from stark and sparse to lush and dense sonic spaces. At its centre are always my voice and the acoustic guitar or piano. My brother John Henry has helped me to find my voice and has opened up all kinds of storytelling possibilities to me. I've also been inspired by various artists including John Grant, Elliott Smith, Nick Drake, David Byrne and Brand New.

What has influenced the sound and rationale for launching with this video approach? With Winterfalle, I've wanted to challenge the norms of what it means to be a solo artist in a traditional sense. Winterfalle is, at its heart my music. But for me, collaboration is still king. I think that now more than ever, it's important to create a multi-layered artistic experience. This is in part because I think that music, film, photography and so on are too often considered in isolation from one another. But also it's because we are not consuming music in the same way we used to. This is especially the case in the way

that music is shared online. Soundcloud links and Youtube videos containing just the song are rarely things we link to one another. Music is even less likely to be passed around when it's unknown or unsigned music. However, I believe that an engaging short film, which the song soundtracks can be a much deeper, attention-holding experience.

As a result of this rationale, Winterfalle has sparked involved collaborations with some of my close friends from Jersey.

"Collaborate with people you know. Jersey is an artistic hotbed of talent. I bet everyone has friends who are making things right now. Make things with them"

A key collaborator is filmmaker Todd Macdonald. Since he traded his guitar for a camera, he's been making visually gripping work. Todd's eye has given Winterfalle its filmic character. He has directed two Winterfalle videos so far, the first of which for 'I Know' launched recently. From concept to shoot to edit, we worked hard to make a piece of work, which is as much a short film as it is a music video. With 'I Know', we wanted to create a window's look into the world of Winterfalle, telling a story where we relive the sort of night we'd have had when we were in 6 Form - before adult life and living-for-the-weekend got in the way. The story of the film is also in a dialogue with the song's lyrics, playing into the images and also straining against them. We're really proud of it.

Max Burnett has also been central to building Winterfalle. Max - who recently made the viral tilt-shift photography video, 'Little Jersey' - has been working on the Winterfalle shoots with Todd and has also been taking striking pictures of the Island, which play directly into the mood of the music. You can see Max's photography all over the Winterfalle web presence.

Another schoolmate Alex Pearce lent his mixing skills to 'I Know'. I recorded the track in my bedroom but after listening to it a million times, I started to lose my grip on reality. Having Alex's expert ears on the thing made a massive difference. Alex has been making waves in London as an electronic music producer under the name LeBreton – he pushed my vocals much further forward in the mix than I would have done, a move, which I think makes the storytelling far more engaging to a listener.

There are more Winterfalle videos in the works – the next is out in January. I'm also going to put together a Winterfalle ensemble in the New Year and I've just started thinking about how to bring visual elements to the live show. At the moment, it's just me, my guitar and these stories. But ever since I saw The Oscillation play at Branchage Film Festival in the Spiegeltent a few years ago, I've been thinking about the exciting possibilities of combining visuals with musical performance.

Thoughts on how to breakthrough in the modern music industry? I haven't ever really 'broken through' – I'd also question what that means exactly - but I've been able to tour in the UK and Europe as well as put out records with my old band. That was good, but it took a lot of sustained hard work over a very long time.

I think it's of utmost importance to lead your music with videos. Quick and the Dead's biggest mistake was that we didn't have promotional videos in even the loosest sense. People watch videos. People hardly listen to cold tracks. Go make one.

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You've got be prepared to work hard. Gig all the time. Write all the time. Don't be precious about putting out your stuff. Get it online. Submit it to blogs. Get involved with BBC Introducing. Yes, it's never been easier to get your music out there, but that doesn't necessarily mean it's also now easier to get people to care about it or get behind it. That will only come by presenting it in an engaging way, being a ferocious self-improver, being doggedly persistent and above all, being patient.

Foster a healthy DIY ethic. Don't wait for 'industry' to come you. Labels, publishers, promoters, booking agents etc... - they aren't going to 'discover' you or be interested in the slightest in what you're doing unless you are constantly demonstrating that you are capable of doing it yourself. Again, gig, but also use social media properly and regularly. Even at times when I have nothing to bang a drum about, I'll still be tweeting things I like and talking to people online as frequently as possible.

Don't just write songs; build a world. This idea is at the heart of Winterfalle. I'm not saying it's the 'right' way to do things, but to me it feels like the most creatively immersive and engaging thing I've ever done. It's so much more interesting to me than simply releasing tracks.

Collaborate with people you know. Jersey is an artistic hotbed of talent. I bet everyone has friends who are making things right now. Make things with them. And don't limit that thinking to forming a band. Think bigger and you'll be surprised by what you can create together.

The debut Winterfalle track 'I Know' has been featured by BBC 6 DJ Tom Robinson's Introducing Mixtape and has been featured on BBC Jersey. Sam toured the UK and Europe with his previous band and has recently performed at Oxjam Festival and Shuffle Festival as Winterfalle.

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DECEMBER MUSIC & NIGHTLIFE: SIX OF THE BEST

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Pure, Saturday 28th December, 10pm – 2am / £5 OTD

ROCKSTEADY PRESENTS... JAGERVERB, THARINDU & MORE

Rocksteady have had some year with the likes of chart-topper Duke Dumont, Thomas Gandey and Jackmaster having performed under the their banner in 2013, and December sees them showcasing some of Jersey's finest DJ talent, with techno and house very much on the menu. Pure, Saturday 7th December, 10.30pm – 1am / Free entry

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SLADE TRIBUTE BAND: SLYDE

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THEOLOGY PRESENTS... DJ HYPE & MC IC3

Former Jersey Live Dance Stage headliner DJ Hype is quite simply one of D&B's most influential men and, having played a key role in shaping the drum & bass genre, comes to Jersey with a legion of fans presumably ready to go bonkers at this post-Chrimbo bash. Local support DJs to be announced nearer the time.

The Watersplash, Saturday 28th

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December, 10pm – 2am / Tickets £12.50
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SMILE FEAT. WARREN LE SUEUR & SIMON GASSTON

Theology and Jersey Live organisers Warren Le Sueur and Simon Gasston return to the Chili Bar for 2013's final installment of their new monthly house night, Smile. Expect hits from way back when, as well as cutting-edge dancefloor-fillers

Chili Bar, Havana, Saturday 14th December, 10pm – 2am / Free entry



STOKED PRESENT... NATTY

Jersey favourite roots/reggae/folk star Natty returns to the island for a big NYE bash laid on by those folks at Stoked Promotions, and judging by the love he's seen on his previous visits to Jersey, this is likely to sell fast. Having toured the world alongside such stellar names as Adele, Lee Scratch Perry and Kate Nash, he enjoys a huge following whilst remaining firmly outside if the mainstream, creating on his own terms. The Watersplash, Tuesday 31st December, 9pm — 2.30am Early bird £20, Regular £30 from Madhatter Surf Shop, £35 OTD

SHHH!...

Stalwarts of the island DJ scene Warren Le Sueur, Simon Gasston, Ross Hunter and Del McKeown return for their annual and now infamous Shhh!... new year's eve party. They're all about good music with good people. Beyond that, it's hard to tell you what happens there, as it's all a secret. Not that that's done the night's reputation any harm, with them selling out each time. What happens in Shhhh! stays in Shhh! Grand Jersey, Tuesday 31st December, 10pm – 2am / Tickets £15 from White Label and Eventbrite

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