



THE CHRISTMAS CHECKLIST

For extra yuletide inspiration, check out our selection of ideal gifts, including audio kit, subscription ideas, food and tipples, clothing, winter getaways and exercise motivation



Making headphones sound heavenly

ANYONE WHO INVESTS in a good pair of headphones and connects them directly to a smartphone, tablet or computer is wasting their potential. The audio processing and amplification in these devices is perfunctory at best, resulting in a flat and lifeless sound.

That's where iFi's award-winning xDSD portable headphone amp comes in. Made from strong yet lightweight magnesium alloy and eminently pocketable in size, the xDSD packs in super-sophisticated processing and powerful amplification to make the most of any headphones or earphones.

Connect the xDSD to a smartphone – via USB,



or Bluetooth for cable-free convenience – and the result is a studio-quality sound system that fits in your pocket, engaging the listener with energy, detail and dynamic impact similar to a live musical performance.

Described by the Financial Times as “a remarkable machine” and Expert Reviews as “the best on the market”, the xDSD is the ultimate audio turbocharger for smartphones, tablets, laptops and more.

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Escape to the country for the ultimate cottage getaway just before Christmas

FANCY DOING YOUR CHRISTMAS shopping somewhere completely different? Trade the built-up streets for the bustling markets and independent shops of Lavenham, Woodbridge or Bury St Edmunds, with bulging bags in one hand and mulled wine and chestnuts in the other. Unwind in the countryside before you begin your Christmas preparations, perfect for recharging your batteries with your partner or family before the big day.

According to Suffolk Cottage Holidays, the only holiday lettings agency to specialise in countryside retreats, more and more of us are opting for a last-minute break ahead of the festive period.

If you're one of them, take a look at a range of over 250 affordable and luxury properties to suit



every budget. From stylish large rural retreats (like Church Farm, pictured) or cosy thatched cottages with roaring fires, to forest romantic hideaways or riverside boltholes, you can easily escape to Suffolk, just over an hour from central London.

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Naturally unique gin

AWARD-WINNING Ludlow Dry Gin is lovingly distilled in copper stills 'Joy' and 'Felicity', by artisan distiller Shaun Ward. Delicate and fragrant botanicals are skilfully combined with locally foraged gorse from the Shropshire Hills, creating a range of premium handcrafted gins like no other. We asked Shaun what makes Ludlow Gin unique: 'I distill the gin as it has been for hundreds of years, using only natural botanicals, and no artificial additives, we use a traditional single copper pot distillation process, and we don't add flavours or sweeteners. My unique recipes were all developed after many experiments. Our labels are also special, they are hand-made by David Lewis at Cherry Press on a 1950s Heidelberg press, using beautiful Italian paper.'

We love the Hibiscus, Orange and Pink Peppercorn, especially neat, extraordinary length. Ludlow Spiced Gin, served with red vermouth, is complex and smooth, perfect for a winter's evening.



ludlowgin.co.uk



Gifted wine subscription – a gift that keeps on giving

SAVAGE VINES import wine from small independent winemakers who make unique wine in limited quantities. One of their most popular products is a monthly wine subscription, which is a great Christmas gift idea. Prices start from £29.95 per month for two bottles, £42 for three, and delivery is free.

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THE CHRISTMAS countdown is on. With to-do lists piling high, work commitments a-plenty and limited shopping time, fitting it all in before Christmas is always a challenge. And what do you

give the person who has everything?

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Whether you have balance or mobility issues or you just want the ease of 3 wheels, while having room to carry your allotment tools or shopping bags, then a Jorvik Tricycle is for you. Along with the added benefit of being kind to the environment while looking oh so stylish, you'll



also reap the benefits of the freedom and exercise a Jorvik tricycle provides, giving you a healthy body and a happy mind.

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Hassle-free shoes for the garden



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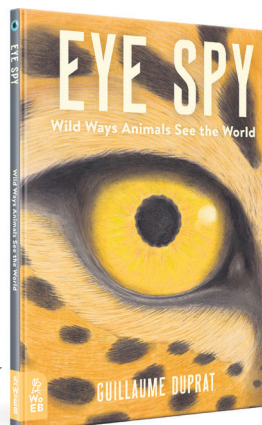


An eye-opening experience that'll fuel their curiosity

EYE SPY takes children on a whirlwind tour of how eyes work and lets them lift the flaps to find out how animals as different as dogs and chameleons see the same scene. Do dogs see in colour? Can cats really see at night? How do insects find flowers? Are earthworms actually blind? What would

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Bringing foxy fun to the teething game



WINNER OF THE AWARD “Consumer Choice Teething Toy” at the Best Baby and Toddler Gear Awards 2018, Ethan the Fox is a fun new natural rubber teething toy. It has been designed by parents to help develop a baby's sense of sight, touch, sense and smell, with lots of tasty bits to chew on to ease the pain of sore gums.

Ethan is no ordinary fox. He's a super teething fox! He's designed to be easy to grasp by small hands and has lots of clever features, such as a long, jaunty tail for hard-to-reach sore spots, pointy ears and a nose which a baby can chew on to soothe their gums as their teeth grow.

This friendly fox is made from 100% natural rubber from the Hevea tree. His soothing texture will bring some foxy fun to the teething game.

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Save money on your favourite craft beers



WITH 12 DIFFERENT handpicked craft beers from a range of styles, the Beerwulf Christmas Pack is an unmissable gift for any beer fan: from the true expert to those who don't yet know their pilsners from their IPAs.

At just £28.95 and with free delivery, the pack offers great value and includes a selection of delicious beers from legendary craft breweries, such as Brewdog and Beavertown.

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