

Christmas checklist



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The **Christmas Checklist** is a full-colour, tabloid-sized, double-page spread of advertorial content published in *The Observer* newspaper.

With *Observer* readers having an average household income of £59,764, the **Christmas Checklist** will serve as the essential guide for festive inspiration, and is an excellent opportunity to reach this affluent audience in the run up to the holiday season.

It showcases a selection of high-quality products, services and experiences, ranging from Christmas markets and fairs, indulgent foods and fantastic gifts to celebratory tipples and decorations, as well as winter fashion and seasonal travel options.

The **Christmas Checklist**, published one month before Christmas Day, is the perfect vehicle for showcasing your company's products and services to an affluent audience, who are just beginning to prepare for the festive season.

PARTICULARLY CONSIDERING

- 60% of *Observer* readers are considered to be forward-looking individuals, curious about change and learning new things
- 85% of *Observer* readers are in the ABC1 social demographic
- *Observer* readers are passionate about good quality food and spend around £81 a week on groceries.

ADVERTISMENT: Intlude this Christmas with premium brands. **JUST**... **Join the festivi-teas at Strand Palace**... **Discover true sound at home**... **Stop into the season by choosing childrenswear from over 200 fantastic designer brands**... **Treat loved ones and celebrate the most wonderful time of the year with these luxury gift sets**... **Christmas cocktails and street food in London's snow-covered Winter Forest**... **Look for the Red Tractor!**... **SodaStream unveils limited-edition Spirit Gold**... **MAJESTIC**... **BROADGATE**... **YAMAHA**... **BAYLES & HARRING**... **CHRISTMAS CHECKLIST**...

451k

Average readership of *The Observer* on a Sunday

More likely to...

...be well connected, information-hungry and vocal media consumers

£400

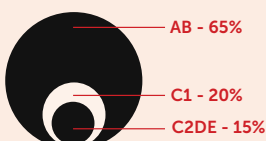
is the average credit card spend per month by *Observer* readers

85%

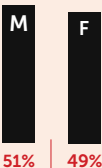
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DEMOGRAPHICS

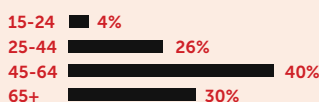
SOCIAL DEMOGRAPHIC



GENDER



AGE



DISTRIBUTION

- 140,894 copies of *The Observer* published on a Sunday
- 451,266 average readership
- Distributed UK wide

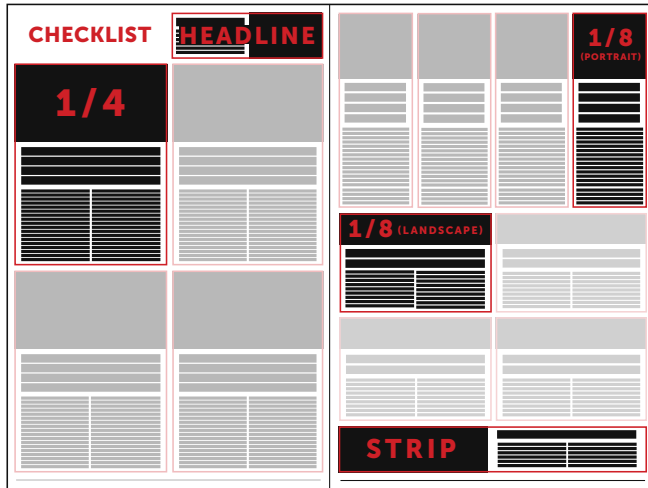
RATE CARD

Third page	£5,400
Quarter page	£4,050
Sixth page	£2,700
Competition upgrade	£1,000

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1/4 , 1/8 FEATURE REQUIREMENTS

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QUARTER PAGE

Portrait: 129.5 x 135.7 mm

Total word count	200-250 words
Call to action	i.e. Discount offer, website, phone, or social links
Images	2 images + logo

EIGHTH PAGE

Landscape: 129.5 x 66 mm
Portrait: 62.8 x 135.7 mm

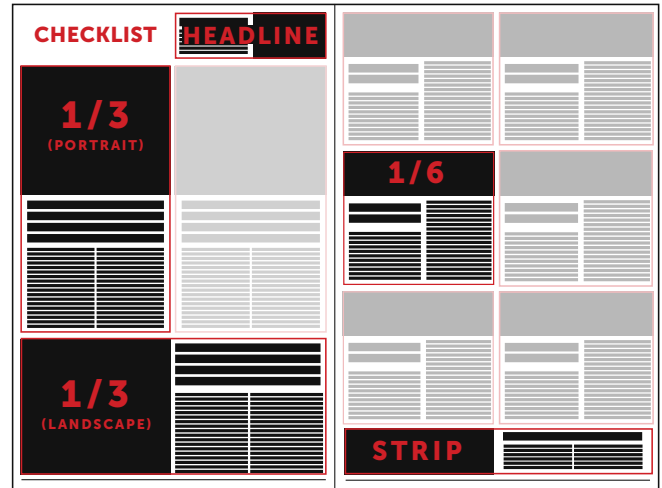
Total word count	70-100 words
Call to action	i.e. Discount offer, website, phone, or social links
Images	1 image + logo

STRIP Landscape: 263 x 42.5 mm

Total word count	120-150 words
Call to action	i.e. Discount offer, website, phone, or social links
Images	2 images + logo

1/3 , 1/6 FEATURE REQUIREMENTS

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THIRD PAGE

Landscape: 263 x 89 mm
Portrait: 192.5 x 182.4 mm

Total word count	200-300 words
Call to action	i.e. Discount offer, website, phone, or social links
Images	2-3 images + logo

SIXTH PAGE

Landscape: 129.5 x 89 mm

Total word count	120-150 words
Call to action	i.e. Discount offer, website, phone, or social links
Images	1-2 image + logo

HEADLINE Landscape: 129.5 x 42.5 mm

Total word count	60-80 words
Call to action	i.e. Discount offer, website, phone, or social links
Images	1 image + logo

SUPPLYING CONTENT

IMAGE SPECIFICATIONS*

- CMYK images in JPEG, TIFF or PSD format.
- All images are high resolution (at least 300dpi).
- Please supply images at their original size and aspect ratio. We will crop images to an appropriate size when laying out your advertorial.
- Please do not supply images with any copy i.e. slogans on top.
- We recommend supplying lifestyle images depicting your target audience, service or general message; or product shots.

COPY SPECIFICATIONS

- Total word count includes max. 10 words for headline and max. 20 words for a call to action.
- Hurst Media reserve the right to make changes, including grammatical changes and corrections to ensure supplied copy meets house style.

FILE TRANSFER WARNING: EMAIL ATTACHMENT LIMIT

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DESIGN PROCESS

- Once all material is submitted according to specification, **Hurst Media will layout your advertorial** within the pre-approved house style of the publication.
- Supplied copy will be **subedited by Hurst Media's editorial team**. Spelling, grammar and punctuation will also be corrected to the house style.
- Layouts may vary depending on style of images and/or text supplied.

APPROVALS & AMENDMENTS

- Hurst Media will provide a PDF for client approval.
- The client will have the option of two rounds of amendments before final approval is required. Please ensure any amendments are clear and concise.
- Approval is required within 48 hours.
- Please note that the newspaper must also approve all advertorials and they reserve the right to make changes or corrections to ensure copy passes their compliance standards.

* Image use subject to editorial discretion and may vary depending quality, size and layout. We cannot guarantee the quality of the final print for images supplied outside of these specifications.

Bespoke advertorials (in which Hurst Media supplies the copy ONLY, and all images/logos are provided by the client) will be charged at a further 10%, or a one-off fee of £150, whichever is greater.

Image sourcing conducted by Hurst Media on behalf of the client will be charged at a fee of £25.

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