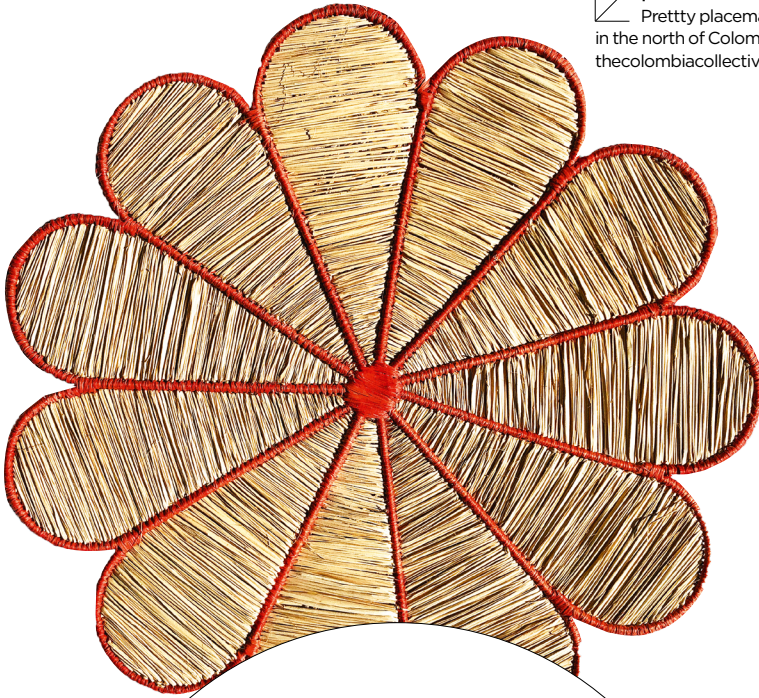


Conchita woven placemats

↳ | **£112 for a set of four**

Pretty placemats handwoven in the north of Colombia.
thecolombiacollective.co.uk



Things to want and wish for

*Loving your home, inside and out.
Books and treats for you to enjoy.*

Chosen by **LOUISE GORROD**

Reviews by **EITHNE FARRY**



Indigo shirt dress | £150

A belted denim dress to make you feel put together, whether you're working or having a potter about.
toa.st/uk



Small zip pouch | £35

↳ Organise your essentials in this sturdy yet stylish pouch. ruralkind.com



Nail polish | £19

↳ Treat your nails to this toxin-free polish. teaandkate.co.uk



Nomad Noé Poet in Hangzhou candle | £55

↳ Burning with love? This bamboo and tuberose scented candle is reminiscent of a romantic garden stroll. cultbeauty.co.uk

Shepton cabinet | from £1,210;
Keats pendant light | £90;
Northwich round stool | £165;
Tussock sheepskin rug | £125;
Chichester dining table | from £975

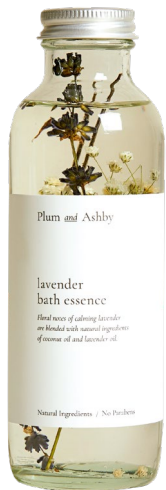
Contemporary dining furniture that's
satisfyingly solid and made to last.
[neptune.com](https://www.neptune.com)





Roo coloured switch
| from £79

You'll never forget to turn the lights off again with this bold porcelain switch. swtch.co.uk



Lavender Bath Essence
| £18

This bath essence is a joy for your nose, as well as your skin. plumandashby.co.uk

Glass display unit | £169

Create your own cabinet of curiosities with this understated glass-fronted cupboard. habitat.co.uk



Linen Marais throw | from £140

When life's not being a bed of roses, create your own with this coloured throw. loomandlast.co.uk



Oven gloves | £25

No burnt fingers, just lots of lovely leaves and berries with these double oven gloves. chalkandmoss.com



Mahina ceramic table lamp
| £39.50

Light up your bedside table with this modern stoneware light. oliverbonas.com



Bolonia tiles in pink
| £8.40 per tile

A traditional tile given a contemporary colourway adds just the right amount of faded glamour. bertandmay.com



Maker of the month

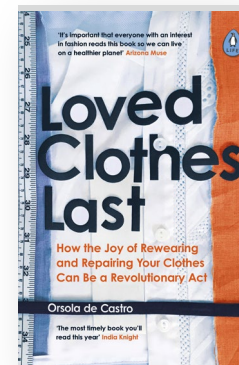
Prints celebrating both coast and countryside

Printmaker and designer Kate Millbank works primarily in the medium of lino printing, inspired by the rich coastal landscape of her East Lothian home. Alongside her prints, Kate has designed a charming flock of plywood birds, each screen printed with feather details, which swoop gracefully across the wall. At the heart of Kate's design ethos is sustainability and craftsmanship. She keeps everything as local as possible producing her prints by hand in her studio. Furthermore, 5% of profits are donated to Surfers Against Sewage. katemillbank.co.uk

Vive la fashion revolution!

Loved Clothes Last by Orsola de Castro
Fashion Revolution Activist Orsola's inspiring book is a clarion call for a fresh appraisal to our apparel. Fast fashion is having a devastating impact on poor lives; from the damaging way they are made and the destructive way they're disposed of, to the terrible conditions and pay of the garment workers who make the clothes. Orsola's mission is to make us

far more careful and considerate – to think before we buy; and to cherish, repair, rewear, customise and recycle the clothes we choose. These simple creative acts and choices will foster “a culture of appreciation instead of exploitation” and a reminder that to treasure our precious clothes is a revolutionary act in a world where consumption is king. (Penguin Life)





Shop of the Month

A new shop for keen cooks and interior lovers

Showcasing range cookers alongside homewares and independent designer/maker brands, Quince & Cook in Perth, Scotland, takes the shopping experience to the next level with its live test kitchen. Here you'll also find an extensive range of cookware from brands such as Le Creuset and Aga, as well as kitchen utensils and linens. Elsewhere, gifts, furniture and home accessories line the shelves. The Wash House Store – Perth's zero waste refill store – has taken up residence in the unique space and there are regular workshops, too. quinceandcook.co.uk



Handwoven raffia coasters
| £12 for a set of two
 Woven by local artisans in Abuja, Nigeria, these coasters are beautiful and durable.
www.quinceandcook.com

Where breakfast meets lunch

Lazy Day Brunches: Relaxed Recipes for the Morning

Is there a better treat than a lovely lazy weekend brunch? There's a chance to sit and savour some delicious food, without the weekday rush hustling the minutes along and eating breakfast at breakneck speed. Here there are recipes for granolas, all kinds of pancakes – from the traditional maple and bacon tall stacks to the unusual –

cherry and ricotta blintzes served with a chilled sour cherry soup. There are eggs aplenty – baked in ramekins with mushrooms or dished up with easy-to-make chorizo cornbread. And for the adventurous, there's an ice-cold briny Pickle-back Martini, made with gin, vermouth, hot sauce and dill pickle spears. (Ryland Peters & Small)





Paint | £38 for 2.5ltr
 Tempting for the tin alone, Lick paint comes in an array of tempting colours.
lickhome.com

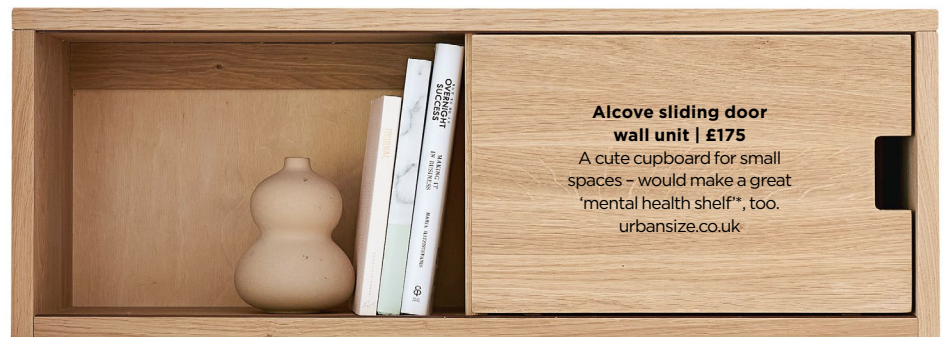


Speckled beaker | £20
 Inspired by the hulls of fishing boats, this is a beaker to brandish with joy.
katesheridan.com

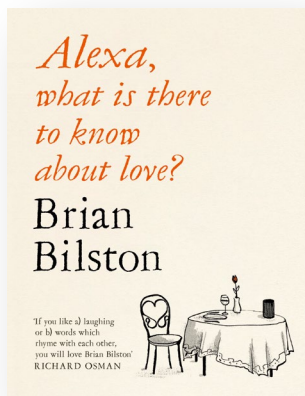
Theo slow brew coffee brewer | £62.95
 Join the slow coffee gang with this stoneware caffeine giver.
ariashop.co.uk



Coffee and tin | £9 for 227g
 Not only will this coffee kickstart your day, but you can get refills for the tin, too.
grind.co.uk



Alcove sliding door wall unit | £175
 A cute cupboard for small spaces – would make a great ‘mental health shelf’, too.
urbansize.co.uk



Love is all you need

Alexa, What is There to Know About Love? by Brian Bilston

Plato and Mrs Plato, Cleopatra, Romeo and Juliet and ordinary mortals who are equally romantically bewildered play their parts in Brian Bilston’s daft, delightfully deft poems, as modern mores, long distances and online misunderstandings scupper love, ruin a sense of connection, promote all kinds of emotional distress in words

that are playful and poignant. And it’s not just affairs of the heart that are under scrutiny, there are poems for booklovers, lovers of language and the politically engaged and enraged. In a world that’s still “maddening baffling,” and where we are all “bewildered, none the wiser,” this book offers some much needed solace. (Picador)

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