

Newsline

Craft for Christmas

Finding inspiration for those special gifts at Christmas can prove tricky but Lincolnshire shoppers will be able to rediscover the art of enjoyable Christmas shopping at Crafts for Christmas at Burghley House on 8 to 11 December.

The event is a unique opportunity to purchase inspirational craftwork and gifts to delight friends and family, including garlands, cushions, furniture, ceramics and wooden bowls that will create stylish interiors this season.



Stunning fashions and accessories, leather bags, jewellery, skincare and scarves will also be available to purchase. The specialist food area is brimming with traditionally produced meats, pies, cheeses, chocolates, Christmas puddings and cakes, delicious festive delights to suit every occasion – plus they also make an excellent present too!

Live entertainment, a café area, cloakroom and free parking will also be on offer with admission priced at £6 for adults and £5 for seniors with reduced rates for advanced bookings. Crafts for Christmas is open 9-5pm or for more information visit www.ruralcraftsassociation.co.uk

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Does party planning give you the blues?



As diaries already start to fill up with parties and get-togethers during the festive season there's one way to make sure that your celebration is at the top of everyone's list – with a tailor made invite from BallisticBlue.com.

The company specialises in producing high quality invites, as well as a wide range of cards, announcements, contact cards, note cards, thank you cards and much more, to mark every special date in the calendar. Whether you're planning a shopping trip, organising a wedding, want personalised birthday invitations or just feel like bringing friends and family together, Ballistic Blue will have a product to suit every occasion.

Prices start from just 31p per item and customers can even include their guest list on the website and Ballistic Blue will post the invites straight out, meaning a chance to sit back, relax and enjoy the festive cheer.

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Christmas card collection

Unique Christmas cards featuring Lincolnshire's wildlife have been specially designed for the Trust by local artists David Waller and Deborah Thorpe, and photographer Geoff Trinder.

And for the first time the exclusive cards will be available to purchase via the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust's website. Helen Baker, Sales Officer of the Trust, said: "We sell Christmas cards every year, raising thousands of pounds for wildlife conservation and environmental education in the county but this is the first year that people have been able to order the cards on our website."

For 2005, the Trust has three brand new Christmas card designs including the one pictured entitled 'Frosty Fare' photographed by Geoff Trinder, and features a fieldfare on a cold frosty day next to a fallen apple.

Geoff is an active Trust member and he has specialised in wildlife photography for over 20 years. For those who don't have access to the internet, all Christmas cards can be purchased from the Trust shops.



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Fashionable furniture

Designed and manufactured in Britain, Glassdomain's striking new glass furniture range offers Lincolnshire homeowners sophisticated designs which have the potential to become the investment pieces of tomorrow.

Drawing upon the talent of up-and-coming young British designer Peter Wardleworth, the exclusive range has been created to meet the changing needs of contemporary work and living spaces.

Original designs include a versatile desk that can be converted to a dining table for entertaining guests on special occasions and a revolving coffee table which can hold either a bottle of champagne or a plant.

With three distinct ranges – Soho, Apartment and Contemporary – the Glassdomain collection promises something to suit all tastes and schemes.

The Soho collection provides versatile solutions for modern home office spaces, whilst Apartment is an aspirational range of ingenious storage furniture for fashionable city living apartments. The Contemporary collection features stylish but functional mix and match pieces created specifically with modern lifestyle requirements in mind. For more information visit www.glassdomain.co.uk