

**PRESS RELEASE July 2025**



**BRING ON THE CHRISTMAS CHEER ...  
...THE FABULOUS FESTIVE GIFT FAIR IS ALMOST HERE!**

**THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> – SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025 – NEC, BIRMINGHAM**

**HURRAY! THE BIGGEST AND MOST LIVELY INDOOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING FAIR  
IN THE WEST MIDLANDS IS BACK! FABULOUS BARGAINS, GREAT MUSICAL  
ENTERTAINMENT AND SO MUCH CHOICE!**

**BE INSPIRED AND GET YOUR FESTIVE PREPARATIONS OFF TO A FLYING START** at the ever popular 4-day **FESTIVE GIFT FAIR** this November. Now in its 29<sup>th</sup> year, it remains **THE GO-TO EVENT** in the UK for **CHRISTMAS SHOPPING**... and for a good reason!!

**325 STALLS IN ONE HALL!** As always, it will be bursting at the seams with a colourful, eclectic mix of unusual stocking fillers, gift and craft ideas for all ages and tastes. Festive food and drink to try before you buy and great Christmas decorations for your home and garden... plus lots of Special Show offers!

**A FUN FESTIVE VIBE!** While browsing the stalls, finding something exciting around every corner, you'll quickly get into a Christmassy mood... welcomed by Father Christmas on his amazing sleigh, The Grinch... up to his usual menacing antics, Dinosaurs roaring, Christmas characters roaming AND an amazing line up of LIVE musicians from Retro to Jazz Bands.

**OVER 130 NEW STALLS!** We can't mention them all but, to get your inspiration flowing here's a sample of some great **NEW** stallholders and old **FAVOURITES** to see!

***FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD!*** *You'll find tempting stalls selling everything from pickles to prosecco, cocktails to chocolates, baking mixes to beer, spices to spirits, cheese to chutneys, puddings to preserves, confectionery to curry mixes, hampers to hog roasts and so much more!*

**FAV!** A Christmas tradition... no Christmas dinner is complete without a pudding! **GEORGIE PORGIE'S PUDDINGS** have a huge range of award-winning Christmas and Sponge Puddings.

**FAV!** Flavoured sweet butters from **THE YORKSHIRE KITCHEN** to top your Christmas pudding! 9 flavours to choose from including orange butter, salted caramel butter and whisky butter.

**NEW!** For exceptional wines, head to **VIN VINEYARDS**. From their own vineyard in Argentina, they produce world-class red, white, and rose wines, especially known for their Malbec wines.

**NEW!** Ready to simply serve on a wood platter this Christmas, **BRAY CURED** produce award-winning British Charcuterie from Salamis, Pancetta and Air-Dried Hams. Delicious artisan treats and charcuterie gifts.

**FAV!** Just like the gangsters of the American Prohibition, **O'DONNELL MOONSHINES** are bottled in traditional mason jars, resulting in a unique drinking experience... tough nut and very cherry just a couple to tempt you!

**NEW!** To kick off your taste buds, try **CHILLI PETE'S** award-winning range of chilli sauces and nuts. From Extreme Heat Bonnet Sauce and Deep South Cashew Nuts to Smugglers Revenge.

**FAV!** For a healthy Mediterranean diet, head for **PHILOTIMO THE GREEK SECRET** who collaborate with organic farmers to produce exceptional Premium Extra Virgin Olive Oil and Greek Raw Thyme Honey, as well as garlic stuffed green olives for delicious meze finger food!

**NEW!** Eat Drink Love by **COCOA CHOCOLATE**. Chocolate shaped Gruffalos great for kids stockings, Hot Choc Spoons for mum, along with luxury hot chocolate gift sets.

**NEW!** **BONNIE YAU** specialize in all natural Oriental cooking sauces. Delicious Thai Style Satay Sauces, Hale & Hearty Hoi Sin Sauces, Fragrant Sweet & Sour Sauces and more...

**NEW!** **HULLABALOOS** will be selling their Great Taste Awards range of non-alcoholic drinks, from Lime and Mint Lemonade and Elderflower Presse to still Ginger Beer... pure & simple tongue tingling flavours!

**NEW!** Change any dish from bland to WOW! with **LITTLE SUTTON SPICE COMPANY'S** spice rubs from Garlic and Sweet Chili to Chinese Salt & Pepper.

**FAV!** Winners of many International Cheese awards, **THE CHESHIRE CHEESE COMPANY** produces waxed truckles including caramelized onion & rioja and Irish whisky & stem ginger, plus all your usual cheeseboard favourites!

**NEW!** Any excuse to drink gin or rum! Try the Queen Cleo range of spiced rum, rhubarb gin, London dry gin, all beautifully bottled by **LITTLE GIN & RUM CO.**

***THE KITCHEN AND DINING ROOM ARE THE HEART OF ANY GOOD PARTY, ESPECIALLY WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY AROUND AT CHRISTMAS! time to jazz up with some fresh accessories for entertaining!***

**FAV!** There is something about fresh flowers that brighten your home. How about a gift subscription with **FREDDIE'S FLOWERS** – delivered to your door!

**NEW!** From Scotland, **GOOSE AND BEAR** will be bringing their unique designs of slate coasters and placemats to chopping boards and pot markers.

**FAV!** For a quirky, yet very trendy kitchen windowsill display, head for **CRABBY CRAFTS** to choose from their amazing range of upcycled and repurposed pretty bottles and cans. Each one unique, filled with unusual flora and cacti.

**NEW!** At the heart of a good family Christmas is a table game that brings everyone together. The 'Small Yet Mighty Box of Christmas Trivia Questions' by **THE CHRISTMAS WONDERY** will get everyone talking!

**FAV!** Mugs and water bottles by **MUGGLING ALONG** add a bit of fun to coffee time with personalised printed designs on everything.

**NEW!** Decorate your Christmas table this year in style. **PEGGY WILKINS TEXTILE FASHIONS** will be showcasing their beautiful Festive range of embroidered placemats, runners, tableware, glitzy napkin rings and loads more.

**FAV!** 4 times winner at World Rum **ROSEMULLION DISTILLERY** will bring a touch of class to your party. Seasonal Spirits along with merchandise and other gifts.

**FAV!** Take centre stage in the kitchen, carving the roast, any chef will love **PAUDIN'S** exquisite set of 3 sharp Japanese knives made of high carbon stainless steel. Almost too good to use!

***'DEAR SANTA....' FROM TOTS TO TEENS, NOTHING BEATS SEEING THE DELIGHT ON CHILDREN'S FACES AS THEY UNWRAP THEIR GIFTS ON CHRISTMAS DAY.***

**NEW!** Designed for little hands and big imaginations, **PLUS-PLUS** helps kids learn basic skills and get creative through open-ended play. Build your own world with this colourful construction toy made in Denmark.

**FAV!** Step into **THE BOOK BUS** (yes! a real double decker bus!) for a huge selection of the best value books and children's gifts. It's an Aladdin's cave of great present ideas from babies to adults!

**NEW!** Hand embroidered clothing and accessories made with love and a lot of work by **FROM ROSE WITH LOVE!** Choose from sweatshirts and t-shirts, make-up bags plus DIY embroidery kits too.

**FAV!** For football and rugby fans, **THE KITBOX** create hand painted framed pictures with little kitted out figures and sporting accessories. For a unique gift, they can also be personalized in all colours, with any shirt name and number.

**NEW!** From Harry Styles and Taylor Swift to Olivia Rodrigo, teenagers will love the friendship bracelets, wall calendars, magnets and prints by **DANNI BODEN DESIGNS**.

**FAV!** Make your family Boxing Day walk more interesting this year by following one of **TREASURE TRAIL'S** award-winning treasure hunts – available for all areas of the UK!

**FAV!** **DISNEY MAD** for a large range of branded Disney merchandise from ...Funko Pop keyrings, character Plushie toys, backpacks, Spider Man remotes.....an Aladdin's cave for all ages!

**FAV!** Keep your little ones busy for hours with **LITTLE HANDY CRAFTS** paint your own clay kits. Themes include fairies, dinosaurs, superheroes, princesses and unicorns.

**FAV!** Our babies are our world, so give them the best! **THREE BEES BOUTIQUE** designs gorgeous personalized gifts from soft teddy bears to muslin comforters and hooded bath robes

**FAV!** **PRINTING LIKE RABBITS** create 3D wonders from articulated animals, small critters and mythical creatures.

**FAV!** **THE DUCK HUT** sell a huge selection of themed rubber ducks as fun novelty stocking fillers. There's a duck for everyone not just the kids! For movie/tv fans through to fairy and football, there is every rubber duck imaginable!

**FAV!** A pick and mix stall dedicated to a whole array of CROC charms to add individuality to your shoes by **TOTALLY CHARMING**.

***HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS! YOU'LL DISCOVER A FABULOUS ARRAY OF DECORATIONS AND GIFTS TO BRIGHTEN UP YOUR HOME FOR THE SPECIAL DAY!***

**NEW!** **MANCHESTER LASER CUTS** specialize in bespoke laser cut wooden gifts – their 3D light box Xmas tree engraved with your family names is a great heirloom.

**NEW!** For a quick burst of fragrance, **THE NAKED CANDLE CO** is your one stop shop for premium hand -crafted soy wax candles, room diffusers and room sprays.

**FAV!** If a rustic, traditional Christmas is your style, **TOLLHOUSE COUNTRY CRAFTS** hand makes a huge selection of wreaths and garlands using dried fruit, cinnamon, pinecones, and spices.

**NEW!** For a truly unique handmade Christmas bauble to bring back memories of a childhood dolls house, visit **M'S MINIATURES**

**FAV!** Go super sparkly and decorate every room in your home and garden with LED Christmas string lights by **PAMPER YOURSELF NOW**.

**FAV!** Fabulous range of hand crafted and painted reclaimed wood plaques to put on a mantlepiece or behind a bed. You will be spoilt for choice at **SUNDAY DINNER**.

**FAV!** Bring on the smiles! Every home needs a big Gonk, Snowman, Santa or Reindeer! Popular stand **IT'S A GIFT** is back.

**FAV!** Elevate your front door with a glorious Christmas artificial wreath by **EROS FLOWERS**.

#### ***FOR FURRY FRIENDS AND THEIR OWNERS!***

**NEW!** A regular at Crufts, **WOOF & SNOUT** will be selling their fabulous range of hand-crafted dog collars and harnesses at Festive Gift Fair.

**FAV!** Pet portraits **BY PAINT AND TAIL** are made by mixing old school artistry with high-tech wizardry. Can also print onto mugs and phone cases too.

**NEW!** Food your cat will go wild for! Delivered to your door by **UNTAMED!**

**FAV!** Look no further for great dog food, treats and toys by **MICKY SASH CANINE CORNER**.

**NEW!** Fun toys to keep your dogs and cats stimulated – from cuddly to tough, squeaky to crackly... plus cozy jumpers and stylish coats, **CANINE COLLECTION** has it all.

**IT'S MORE THAN JUST A SHOPPING TRIP, THIS IS THE START OF CHRISTMAS! Join us with your friends and family for an inspiring, great value, fun-filled day at the fabulous FESTIVE GIFT FAIR!**

**Thursday 13th– Sunday 16th November 2025 at NEC, Birmingham  
Open 9.30am-5pm daily.**

**GREAT VALUE! Adult tickets from just £8 (plus £1.50 per transaction not per ticket!)**

**Take advantage of the 'BUY3 and get 1 FREE OFFER' – when tickets go on sale on 1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER! [www.festivegiftfair.co.uk](http://www.festivegiftfair.co.uk)**

**For list of stallholders, entertainment program and visitor info, visit  
<https://www.festivegiftfair.co.uk/whats-on/daily-entertainment>**

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**HALL 5, NEC, BIRMINGHAM**

**NOTES TO EDITOR**

Full show information, list of exhibitors and a selection of Press images/logos to download at [festivegiftfair.co.uk](http://festivegiftfair.co.uk)

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

**Open 9.30am–5pm daily.**

**Tickets go on sale 1<sup>st</sup> September – ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY!**

**Book online at [www.festivegiftfair.co.uk](http://www.festivegiftfair.co.uk)**

**TICKET TYPE**

**BUY 3 get 1 FREE adult full day ticket offer available on Thursday & Friday only**

| <b><u>ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY</u></b> (no walk-ups!) | <b>Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>/Fri 14<sup>th</sup><br/>November</b> | <b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup>/Sun 16<sup>th</sup><br/>November</b> |
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| Adult full day (9.30am – 5pm)                     | £10   | £14   |
| Adult afternoon only (1.30pm-5pm)                 | £8  | £10   |
| Child (3-16 yrs)                                  | £6  | £8  |
| Carers half price full day                        | £5  | £7  |
| Carers half price afternoon only                  | £4  | £5  |
| Under 3's   | free  | free  |

| <b>GROUP tickets (15+ adults)</b> | <b>Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>/Fri 14<sup>th</sup><br/>November</b> | <b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup>/Sun 16<sup>th</sup><br/>November</b> |
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| Adult full day                    | £8  | £10   |
| Child (3-16 yrs)                  | £6  | £8  |
| Under 3's                         | free  | free  |

**TRAVEL INFORMATION**

The National Exhibition Centre is easy to get to.

**BY TRAIN:** Birmingham International Station is right at the NEC and only a few minutes' walk (inside) to Hall 5 (Festive Gift Fair).

**BY CAR:** B40 1NT for your satnav! The NEC is well signposted from M5 and M6 and is situated at junction 6 of the M42.

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