BOWLED OVER A practical classic for home bakers and pud makers in a beautiful sage green. £31.50 (29cm), masoncash.co.uk

UNDER £15

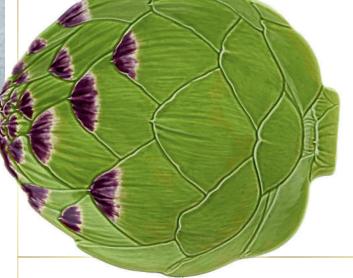
# ALWAYS ELEVENSES

Wheel-thrown and handdecorated, this simple stoneware jug makes for an understated gift. Forest creamer, £12, nomliving.com





One to elevate any buffet-laden table: a stunning artichoke platter that pays homage to the work of Portuguese designer and illustrator Bordallo Pinheiro. £46 (41cm), divertimenti.co.uk



# PACKS A PUNCH

A wow gift for a spirits aficionado: a 50cl bottle of organic rum from artisan Cornish distillery Loveday, made from distilled slowfermented molasses, then aged in oak for at least two years. Choose either gold or spiced rum in a date-stamped presentation box, which comes with an original oak-leaf lino print and set of cocktail recipe cards. £64, lovedaydistilling.com



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DRIVING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS? This retro-style tin car by

DISTILLERS

SLOE GIN

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WARMING TOT

Although pretty, some sloe gins can be overly syrupy. This one by

Hayman's is sweet-sharp with a

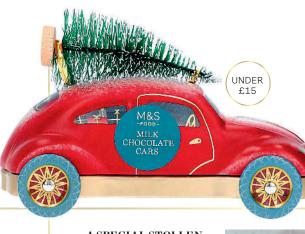
fruity complexity - wonderful over

ice or mixed with sparkling wine.

£27 for 70cl; or gift-wrapped for

£29, haymansgin.com

M&S won't get you far on the M1, but it's filled with milk chocolates, making it a great little stocking filler. £5 for 69g, ocado.com or instore at M&S



# A SPECIAL STOLLEN

For anyone who loves a traditional, not muckedabout-with version of the famous German Christmas treat, this prettily packaged beauty from the celebrated Two Magpies Bakery in East Anglia will be a delight. £10 for 500g, twomagpiesbakery.co.uk; last order date for Christmas: 18 Dec



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FEEL THE HEAT The delicious. food team wouldn't be without a probe thermometer when deep-frying, jammaking or tackling the Sunday roast. The Thermapen One delivers readings in a second and comes in 12 colours, plus two fruity new designs - orange (pictured) or strawberry. £80, thermapen.co.uk



## **BOX OF DELIGHTS**

Rockfish's tinned British seafood gift set is exquisitely packaged and includes sardines, cuttlefish, mussels and mackerel. Almost too beautiful to open. £23.95 for 4 x 115-125g tins, therockfish.co.uk



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