

food & drink

Create a cocktail stir, enjoy a clever box of snacks and chop 'til you drop with pro-chef's knives

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Ready to roll

EFFORTLESSLY GLAM, PORTABLE AND FILLING, **SUSHI IS AN IDEAL PICNIC OPTION**. LUCKILY, MARKS & SPENCER HAS ADDED SUSHI LOGS TO ITS **NEW SUMMER FOOD RANGE**, SO THE ONLY EFFORT REQUIRED OF YOU IS A LITTLE ON-SITE SLICING (DON'T FORGET THE KNIFE!). AROUND £4 (MARKSANDSPENCER.COM)



SHAKE IT UP

Mojitos, margaritas, appletinis... whatever your tippie, just add your chosen spirits to the new range of **Funkin' fruit purées**. It's a no-mess, no-fuss way to enjoy cocktail hour. From 75p each (funkin.co.uk)



SNACK ATTACK

Forget the biscuits – instead, have a selection of **healthy snacks delivered to your desk or door from graze.com**. Tasty (guilt-free) treats are just a click away. From £2.99 **READER TREAT** To get one free and one half-price Graze box, log on to graze.com with the promotional code LIVING.



JUST A PINCH

Brit furniture designer **Russell Pinch** has refined the chunky feel of terracotta with a new range for **Jamie Oliver's Jme collection**. The oven-to-table designs make perfect alfresco serving dishes for summer dining. From £2.50 (jamieoliver.com)

Three of the best... chef's knives

Sharpen your kitchen skills with these cutting-edge designs



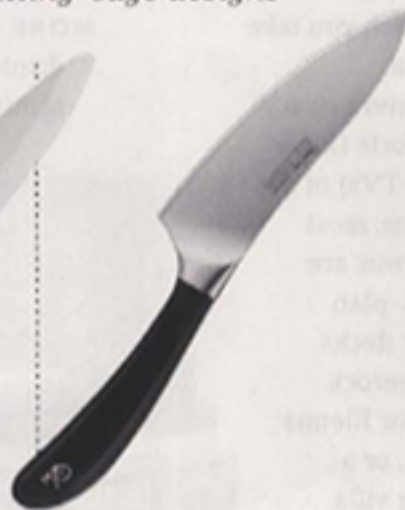
BLADES OF STEEL

Naifu's D67 steel knife has hidden layers (35 actually). From £19.40 (chefsknifestore.co.uk)



HANDLE WITH CARE

A ceramic blade means this never needs sharpening. £28 (atelierdeschefs.co.uk)



CHOP CHOP

Robert Welch gives us 12cm of sharp, award-winning style. £26 (johnlewis.com)



TRUE LOAF

Say goodbye to stale bread by bagging one of **Lakeland's 100 per cent cotton bread bags**. Not only do they work that rustic boulangerie vibe, they keep your average loaf fresh for up to a week. £6.84 each (lakeland.co.uk)