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NEED LESS STRESS THIS XMAS? HERE ARE SOME OF THE PLACES PUTTING CHRISTMAS IN A BOX, SAYS **LAURA MILLAR...**

'TIS THE SEASON TO BE (VERY MERRY)

PRE-MIXED COCKTAILS, UK FIZZ AND IDEAL HANGOVER CURES

If you don't have the patience to mix a festive cocktail yourself, leave it to the experts. Award-winning bar **Lyaness** can deliver bottled versions of five of its most popular drinks, including its Rock Pool Sazerac and Strawberry Aperitivo.

From £13 for a single serve to £50 for a bottle serving five. Available nationwide, lyaness.myshopify.com

For the perfect fizz to pop at midnight on the 31st, it's got to be British. The Kent-based **Gusbourne Estate** has been producing award-winning wine



for the past decade, including some prime examples of sparkling wines. Try their crisp Brut Reserve (£39), or think pink with their delicious Twenty Sixteen Rosé (£49). gusbourne.com

Bloody Drinks have just launched the ideal hangover cure, the Bloody Mary Box, containing four pre-mixed cans, miniature Tabasco sauce bottles, Bloody Mary salt and a tin of Perello Picante olives and pickles. What was that you were saying about never drinking again?

Bloody Mary Box, £20, bloodydrinks.co.uk



Feast your eyes:
Lisa Goodwin-Allen's Christmas Box from the Northcote hotel

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The luxurious one

Tuck into a gourmet dinner from chef Lisa Goodwin-Allen, star of Great British Menu. Based at the Michelin-starred restaurant in luxury Lancashire hotel Northcote, she's put together an indulgent Christmas Box that will contain the likes of native lobster tortellini, a wreath of brioche, brie, turkey breast with trimmings and Christmas pudding layer cake. Serves four, £400.

Available for nationwide delivery December 23 and for collection from the hotel on December 23 and 24, northcote.com

The Scottish one

Indulge in a Christmas feast with Scottish flavour from Edinburgh restaurant Wedgwood. Its five-course menu features locally sourced Scottish ingredients, including smoked halibut and pheasant breast, and costs £125 for two. Additional selections from the in-cellar will also be available.

Available for nationwide delivery December 18, 22 and 23. Edinburgh only delivery December 24. wedgwoodtherestaurant.co.uk

The stress-free one

Want to prepare Christmas like a pro but don't know how to do it? Award-winning chef Adam Handling has created a festive menu box for up to four people – and if you want help he has included step-by-step videos, available with each kit. Your reward? Handling's cheese doughnuts, stuffed turkey crown or beef Wellington. Then wash it down with a bottle of Adam Handling's own-label English sparkling wine.

The Christmas Hame Box, £250, adamhandling.co.uk/ hame available for delivery until December 23

The Italian one

Add some Italian flair to your festive meal with a seasonal box from Soho restaurant Manteca. They come in three sizes (from £60) but the 'whole hog' option (£150) includes a porchetta pork loin, tortellini, a selection of salumi, chicken liver parfait, Christmas pud, amaretti biscuits, and four brioche buns to make 'leftovers' sandwiches the day after.

Available nationwide, order by December 18. mantecarestaurant.co.uk



The party one

Big parties are out right now but that's not stopping Nico from helping you dive into the spirit with Christmas By Nico: Festive Party Experience available for delivery until tomorrow.

From £40 per person, home-x.com/products/e-eatery-festive-party-menu



The pizza one

Pizza Hut's Christmas pizza swerves turkey and swaps it for chicken, along with bacon and sage and onion stuffing on a rich red wine gravy base. At least you won't have to do any washing-up.

Available nationwide, large size only, from £21 or as part of a £35 Christmas Feast deal. pizzahut.co.uk