

Staying in

Your ultimate home comforts



Recipe OF THE WEEK

RHUBARB CRUMBLE CAKE

FOR THE CRUMBLE TOPPING

- 110g plain flour
- 30g light brown sugar
- 70g unsalted butter
- 1/2 tsp each cinnamon & ground ginger
- 50g chopped walnuts

FOR THE SPONGE

- 220g plain flour
- 1 1/2 tsp baking powder
- 1/2 tsp each cinnamon & ground ginger
- 50g ground almonds
- 70g unsalted butter
- 2 eggs
- 200g golden caster sugar
- 80g plain yoghurt
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract

FOR THE FILLING

- 350g rhubarb
- 2 tbsps each cornflour, icing sugar, chopped stem ginger

METHOD

1 Preheat oven to 180°C/160°C (fan). Grease and line a 23cm springform tin.

2 Crumble topping: Rub butter into flour until you get pea-sized crumbs, then stir through the sugar, spices and walnuts. Pop into a freezer bag and put in fridge.

3 Sponge: Mix dry ingredients. Melt butter. Beat eggs, sugar, yoghurt and vanilla until pale and creamy, then stir in the melted butter, followed by the flour mixture. Pour this into the prepared tin.

4 Filling: Top and tail the rhubarb, slice into 5cm batons, then toss it in the combined cornflour and icing sugar. Arrange the rhubarb on top of the batter, sprinkle over stem ginger, then scatter chunks of crumble on top.

5 Bake for 75 minutes, or until a skewer comes out clean. Dust with icing sugar.



Rhubarb is starting to hit the shops now. Serve this sliced or warm with custard.

For more recipes like this, go to brettandbailey.co.uk

WHILE YOU'RE IN

Video Doorbell £159 ring.com

Always be at home, even when you're out with a video doorbell. Talk to callers with two-way audio, see who is approaching with motion detection, even at night and record visitors in the cloud. You can even share clips. Cloud recording is £24.99 a year. Comes in four colours.



Single

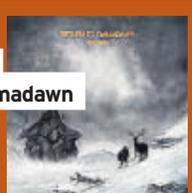
James Blunt
Love Me Better



Brit crooner and funny-man Blunt teams up with One Republic's Ryan Tedder for this fresh and edgy pop song, marking a new, lighter direction. Spring album *The Afterlove* follows in this vein.

Album

Mike Oldfield
Return to Ommadawn



The prog folk-rocker is back with his 26th studio album, which is also the sequel to his third album, *Ommadawn* (1975). The uplifting retro reboot will be a welcome record for old fans and a gift to new electro ears.

Re-release

Frank Turner
Sleep is for the week
Tenth Anniversary Edition



The folk singer-songwriter reissues his breakout offering as a two-CD and double 180g vinyl edition containing the full album and the original six demo songs. The work revealed his uniquely honest way with words and storytelling.

Game

PREVIEW: Nioh
PlayStation4



Gamers are being challenged to take up arms and travel to Japan's blood-bathed Sengoku period - an era ravaged by warring states and rumours of dark demons.

Characters will cross blades in brutal hand-to-hand combat, wielding swords, axes, spears and even war hammers against some of the terrifying foes.

Developers claim the genre takes inspiration from both of the *Ninja Gaiden* and *Dark Souls* games.

You can explore a dark vision of 16th century Japan by fighting alongside legendary heroes and against horrific villains of the Warring States period.

Combat is supposed to be simple, by unleashing a combination of attacks

specific to a range of authentic samurai weapons, including polearms, katanas and axes.

Nioh invites you to muster the resilience of a samurai: the skills and patience to overcome deadly enemies - both real-life and fictional monsters.

But its success could be judged on whether gamers warm to its action-packed multiplayer mode.

DAVID RAVEN

Spirit OF THE WEEK Quirky English vodka

Black Cow Vodka
blackcow.co.uk



The "world's only Pure Milk Vodka" really is made from milk produced by grass-fed cows in Dorset. As smooth and creamy as you would expect. Perfect for sipping as is or in an espresso martini. Divine.

£31.75

Todka XS
todka.com



Salted Caramel has been added to the range at Todka in Newquay, Cornwall, joining Toffee, Hazelnut and Banoffee. Sweet and luscious enough to enjoy over ice, or be decadent and pour it over ice cream. Oh yes.

£24

Chase Marmalade
chasedistillery.co.uk



This quintessentially English flavour (they also do a rhubarb one) from Hereford is lovely with just ice - and the heavy orange peel tang makes it great for citrusy cocktails. Adds zing to a Cosmopolitan.

£40

Radio

Fry's English Delight
BBC Radio 4, Today, 1.30pm

In this new series that looks at the English language, Stephen Fry investigates how handwriting can express more than typing, using correspondence with artist Grayson Perry to illustrate.

APP ViewRanger

Free, Android, iOS
Explore the outdoors with augmented reality that helps you identify your skyline. Includes maps from around the world.

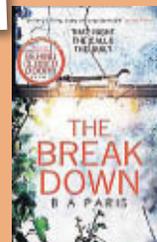
Books



Before You Go
Clare Swatman

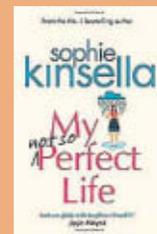
Macmillan. Out Thursday

When her husband Ed dies suddenly, Zoe is tortured by the fact that their once blissful relationship was blighted in the last years by the strain of infertility. But after an accident she wakes up, magically transported to the day they first met. Each new day allows her to relive significant days of their love story - but with the knowledge of the tragedy to come. But can her new ability to time travel enable her to save Ed? The nostalgia (most particularly back to their student days) is just one aspect of this cleverly crafted story that lends it an irresistible charm. A delightfully bitter-sweet story that will appeal to fans of *One Day*. **DEIRDRE O'BRIEN**



The Breakdown
BA Paris
HQ. Out Thursday

Cass's decision not to stop for a stranded motorist is the catalyst for the unravelling of her life. Haunted by guilt after the woman is found murdered, she starts to fear for her sanity. With knife-edge suspense, and an intricate plot, this is a masterly psychological thriller.



My Not So Perfect Life
Sophie Kinsella
Bantam. Out Thursday

When she moves to London, Devon-born Katie presents a glossier version of her rather drab reality to the world. But after she's forced to return home, her fibs catch up with her. A cautionary tale about appreciating what's important in life, wrapped up in a warm-hearted romantic comedy.

DVD

The Girl On The Train
15. 116mins

A stylish adaptation of Paula Hawkins' 2015 novel of the same name, starring Emily Blunt as an alcoholic divorcée who becomes embroiled in missing persons investigation after she sees an incident on her regular train journey. She soon finds there are links to her own complex life.



TV ON DEMAND

Frontier
Netflix

A gritty, powerful drama series set in the North American fur trade in the 1700s, starring Jason Momoa (*Game of Thrones*), who is struggling to break the monopoly on the trade in Canada.