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Welcome TO THE COLLECTION

Hello and Welcome to the Spring edition of "The Collection" and the "Bridal edition".

This is our 2nd edition since our re-launch online last October which was a resounding success and which completely exceeded our expectations! The huge amount of viewers and subscribers confirmed our belief that there is definitely an appetite for a Property and Lifestyle magazine published by Miller Metcalfe. As promised we have introduced more new features for property buyers, sellers or those who are just browsing and we hope you will love these as much as we do! There will be more to come later this year!

For those of you who are interested in the Property market, estate agents listings in Quarter 1 for our postcode foot print are approximately 5% down like for like. I'm very pleased to be able to report that Miller Metcalfe's like for like listings are up 10% overall* so we are making impressive progress in a challenging market place. The High Street is making a positive renaissance against on line agents who have failed to gain the market share they were predicting. As a result there have been several high profile casualties and closures in recent months.

Our Survey and Valuation business continues to go from strength to strength and I'd recommend buyers should check out our feature and the independent evidence from the **RICS** about their importance of a Survey to buyers. Miller Metcalfe Surveyors operate nationally and we are very proud to be the highest rated provider of Home Buyer Reports and Building Surveys. on Trustpilot in England and Wales.

As it's Spring and a time for new beginnings we're excited to share our new partnership with an exciting local business, Daisy's Domain, run by passionate, interior stylist Michelle Dolan.

Whether you've found your dream home and you're stuck for decor inspiration, or your home needs fresh ideas and a few tweaks to get it 'sale ready', Daisy's Domain offers a range of valuable services.

With creative, cost effective ways to breath with life into tired spaces, Michelle can provide helpful and insightful consultations packed with valuable tips and ideas for transforming your space. Also offering a complete design, source and style service, her expertise in staging, decluttering and room design is tailored to suit even the most modest of budgets for anyone thinking of moving or improving.

We are proud that our evolving multi-channel marketing gives our vendors an unrivalled platform to showcase their property. 'The Collection' is advertised on our website which receives an average of over 5,000 views per day*. It is also published to a data base of in excess of 60,000, so vendors are able to showcase their property to the widest audience of buyers.

Our advice is always tailored and transparent with local market knowledge from our extensive branch network ensuring clients receive the best possible information whatever their needs.

With exciting content, interactive features and easy to navigate hyperlinks to our properties and partners, we hope you will enjoy the experience of reading 'The Collection'.

Happy Easter! 🐰

John Fletcher
CEO & Chairman



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WELCOME TO
Bolton

Bolton is a town in Greater Manchester in North West England. A former mill town, Bolton has been a production centre for textiles since Flemish weavers settled in the area in the 14th century, introducing a wool and cotton-weaving tradition.





ST ANDREWS ROAD

LOSTOCK, BOLTON

PRICE

OIRO £1,425,000



Sitting within its own private gated grounds of approximately half-an-acre, having almost 6,000 square feet of exceptionally spacious accommodation, this outstanding, individually designed detached home simply must be viewed internally to be fully appreciated. The location is one of Bolton's most premier settings, within easy access to a host of amenities including both Bolton and Cleveland's private schools and is well placed for major transport links, making it ideal for commuting into Manchester, Media City and across the North of England.

This beautiful property has it all and more, constructed to the highest of specifications with no stone left unturned in the pursuit of absolute luxury to include high specification security and CCTV, under floor heating, integrated audio system. As such, an early inspection is strongly recommended.



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Home decor trends

FOR 2019



Original article taken from <https://www.idealhome.co.uk/news/home-decor-trends-2018-191244>

WE PREDICT THE KEY LOOKS FOR INTERIORS

HERE'S OUR ROUND-UP OF THE TOP HOME DECOR TRENDS TO LOOK OUT FOR TO HELP YOU STAY AHEAD OF THE CURVE IN 2019

There's no escaping trends. Whether you live by them or feel totally unaffected, from popular paint colours to retro furniture choices, everything designed for our homes is influenced by a wider trend.

Whilst 'trends' change and evolve, they do so at different paces – some are popular for years rather than merely a season. Take the Nordic trend, it has been with us for years now and yet continues to surprise and delight.

Read on, and you'll discover that many of our key trends for Spring/Summer 2019 offer a new way to update an existing decor. This means you don't have to redecorate your whole home to be on song, stylistically.

Here are the key trends to look out for in the coming months, as presented at this year's Spring Fair.

TREND ONE - NORDIC RETREAT

Serene Scandi style is updated with hints of pattern and texture. This trend is the understated look that makes a big impact. This paired-back look is perfect for creating an effortlessly stylish decor.

For this season the ever-popular Scandi look is layered up with different textures to give the look depth – creating an inviting space to retreat and switch off from the world outside. Last season this look was filled with global-inspired pattern, for 2019 it's more about simple understated pattern.

Key colours: Neutrals, from canvas white to natural buff

Key materials: Wool, sheepskin, wicker, earthenware and Ash/bleached wood





TREND TWO - RETRO FUSION

This nostalgic trend celebrates and re-imagines Mid-Century interiors and designs from a bygone era. We have named this Retro Fusion to highlight the diversity of the term retro – from the colour palette of the 70s, to the scalloped shapes of Art Deco through to 50's signature furniture styles this trend covers it all.

If it's a classic from a bygone era, it's big news this season.

Key colours: Mustard, Night Watch green, tan

Key materials: Velvet, wood and buff leather

TREND THREE - SOFT TROPICS

This uplifting trend is a joyous celebration of nature. The botanical prints are delivered in a softer format, diluted by a desaturated colour palette this season. There's a strong painterly element to a lot of the designs, making the look feel less imposing than out-and-out tropical palms.

Palm prints are the key motif throughout this look, whether real or as part of a fabric or wallpaper design.

Key colours: Leaf green, Mustard, nude pink and blue

Key materials: Velvet, wood and buff leather



TREND FOUR - REFINED GLAMOUR

The new 2019 glam is less sheen, more sophisticated. Luxury materials such as pewter, marble and velvet all mix together beautifully to create fine decorative details. Fringing is everywhere this season, from lampshades to wall hangings – fringe is in!

Key colours: Dusky rose and pewter

Key materials: Velvet, marble, brass and smoked glass

TREND FIVE - MODERN MAKER

Celebrating the beauty of craftsmanship. This trend is a continuation from spring/summer where the artisan was king. Embracing natural wood, textural weave and the imperfect sculptural forms of rattan and wicker. Drawing on the raw beauty of imperfect finishes, this trend is about making natural materials look effortlessly stylish.

In a world where we're only one filter away from perceived perfection this trend is import to help remind us imperfections are to be celebrated, not sneered at. This trend is set to become EVEN bigger for spring 2019 collections.

Key colours: Pale greys, oatmeal neutrals, charcoal black and oxidised red

Key materials: Earthenware, wool, wicker and rattan



BURNTHWAITE HALL

LOSTOCK, BOLTON

PRICE
£1,850,000



Set in stunning mature woodland at the edge of the highly desirable suburban area of Lostock, overlooking countryside to the North and directly adjacent to Bolton Golf Club, Burnthwaite offers a rural retreat within close proximity of urban facilities. Bolton Town Centre is within 3 miles via Chorley New Road and the M61 is accessible within approximately 2.5 miles via Junction 6 at Middlebrook making the development well placed for commuting to the wider region or within the local area. Train stations are located at Bolton or Lostock, only 1.5m away with a 30 minute journey to Manchester Piccadilly. The highly regarded independent Bolton School is within 2 miles.

Forshaw are proud of their attention to detail in producing homes of the highest standard. As developers they strive to create homes of exceptional quality. Burnthwaite offers an outstanding level of specification, both in terms of the equipment and design features included as standard, and the infrastructure to support further upgrades and enhancements.

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REECETON GARDENS

BOLTON



PRICE

OIRO £300,000

THE PERFECT HOME FOR PROFESSIONALS OR FAMILIES! Situated on a beautiful private community of only a small number of similar dwellings, stands this fantastic, five bed-roomed town-house. Perfectly suited to a young family, professional couples or individuals, the property boasts a modern interior style, ample living space, two en-suites and off road parking for two cars. Situated in a highly desirable area just off Chorley new road, close to network links, excellent schools and local amenities, the property comprises briefly; Entrance hall with stairs to the first floor and doors leading to downstairs WC and a fantastic open plan Kitchen, Lounge, Dining room with patio doors leading out to the garden. To the first floor you will find three generous sized rooms and family bathroom and a staircase to the second floor. The second floor houses a further two bedrooms both with en-suites. Externally to the rear you will find well maintained communal gardens and parking to the front of the property.



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Makeovers with Daisy's Domain

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IT'S EASY TO SPEND TIME AND MONEY ON YOUR HOME MAKING BAD DESIGN, LAYOUT AND COLOUR CHOICES THEN FEEL TOTALLY UNDERWHELMED WITH THE FINAL LOOK.

Confused design schemes and half-finished rooms because it cost twice as much as expected and you ran out of patience. Maybe you have tired space you have no idea what to with that needs a new purpose. Or your homes been on the market for a while and it needs some TLC to reveal its full potential to buyers without spending a fortune.

Sometimes you need a helping hand to create the home of your dreams if you're struggling to pull it together effectively on budget. My consultations are an informal, friendly chat. I'll discuss, ideas, tips and design solutions to help you create a stylish space that works for you. I can create a personal mood board and product list to help you visualise the concept so you complete the look yourself. Or I can complete the room personally from paint to picture hanging, furniture to cushions. I shop savvy, stretching even the most modest of budget to create the look you want without you having to lift a paintbrush. Leave the paint samples, shopping and deliberating to me and come home to a space you love.

If interiors aren't your thing but enjoying your home is, get in touch below.

[Book your consultation here!](#)



**MICHELLE
DOLAN**

-
OWNER OF
DAISY'S DOMAIN



HORROR HALLWAY TO STYLISH ENTRANCE

These clients had a 'horror hallway' that had become a dumping ground for clutter. With some simple and inexpensive changes this client now has a functional and stylish entrance with plenty of space to hang coats and jackets and storage for hats gloves and shoes too! Initially on entering this house you were greeted with a giant, overflowing coat stand and redundant alcove space. I decided to fix a hanging rail in the alcove to transfer the coats into. This freed up a substantial area for a simple storage box, handy shelf and the all-important hall mirror to check yourself before you leave the house!



The client already had a sky blue wallpaper running up the stairway so I chose a dark navy colour palette to tie in with this and added blush accessories to soften the look. These clients had a modest budget and this look was completed for just £160, plus my fee. This client now has an entry way which really makes an entrance and it was all completed in 1 day, so no hassle or stress for the clients. I always try to make sure that I link the space to the clients other rooms and ensure I take into account the clients taste. However, it is also important to focus on what changes will make the house more saleable and in this case, the cluttered, dark hallway was off putting to buyers as it screamed 'no space for anything!', Always remember, if you are selling your home the idea is you won't be there long, so it's not about creating your dream home anymore, it's about convincing potential buyers it's theirs! A stylish, bold, clean and well-designed space helps attract online photo viewings, foot flow across your threshold and most importantly the sale you want!



NEW HOUSE TO SCANDINAVIAN HOME

The first transformation is a lady who wanted a refresh of her lounge. The brief was a Scandinavian, 'homely' room suitable for a busy young family. I suggested the idea of blush tones and natural wood with pops of monochrome and the client gave me free reign with her budget of £500. I went for a Farrow and Ball colour palette of 'sulking pink' and 'great white' but colour matched them through Valspar at B&Q to save costs. This is a great way to get the look of designer tones/shades without the price tag of expensive paints.

I renovated the dated fireplace by removing the existing fire which they did not like or use and used simple but affective tile stickers to add pattern and interest. These were just £11 from the online store Etsy and become a stylish focal point. The hole left by the old fire was sprayed black then filled using decorative logs. To stay on budget, rather than splash out on a TV unit for the alcove, I simply used lengths of light oak and brackets to create simple and stylish storage shelves which make use of the full width of the wall. The wooden chest, which the client already owned (and was going to be discarded before I spotted it) was given a new home in the alcove and is now perfect place to store extra toys! I used picture shelves to display a mixture of family photographs and prints, making them quickly and easily inter-changeable and leaving less holes in the wall. New cushions, plants, curtains and stylish accessories from high street stores and local shops, pulled the look together. This client now has a lounge she wants to spend time in with her family.





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Bury is a town in Greater Manchester, England, on the River Irwell, east of Bolton and North-West of Manchester. Bury is known for its open-air Bury Market and the traditional local dish, black pudding. The Manchester Metrolink tram system has a terminus in the town.



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OF BURRY WHO GAVE THEIR
LIVES IN THE GREAT WAR

1914
1918





*Get your
home ready*

— FOR SPRING —

A SPRING CLEAN GUIDE TO FRESHEN UP YOUR PROPERTY

Before doing any cleaning, it's always a good idea to declutter and get rid of junk. If not, you may find that your home gets dusty and chaotic right after you clean it. Dedicate a day to taking all of the items in your home out, especially the ones tucked away in corners. When decluttering, it's advisable that you separate your things into five baskets which you'll see below.

Prepping your home

1 PUT AWAY

Everyone has items piled up on top of a chair or that are hiding anywhere but where they belong. Dedicate this basket to those things so they can be returned to their original homes.

2 RECYCLE

If you have items that need to be recycled, throw them in this basket so you can do so when you have time. Avoid hoarding items that you won't use so you can save space. Also, remember recycling is good for the economy, saves energy and reduces landfills.

3 FIX/MEND

Things breaking is a part of life, however, keeping them hidden away for years shouldn't be. Throw such items in the fix/mend basket and make it your priority to get them fixed as soon as possible.

4 TRASH

In order to create space, get rid of things you haven't used or know you will never use and throw them away immediately. Once you're done the trash basket should go right outside.

5 DONATE

Items that are still in good shape or can be fixed should go in the donation box. There's always someone out there that can use it if you can't. You should also note that some junk can be repurposed like socks which can be used for cleaning, or vases which can be gifted to someone with flowers.

The big clean

Once you've done part one of the hard work, it's time to progress onto the second half which is the cleaning. This is where you'll need to get your hands dirty and get into all those hidden corners to make sure everywhere is clean. You can do this by yourself or call in professionals to give you a hand.

1 CARPETS

A good strength carpet cleaner can do wonders. Carpet cleaning products can be found at any local supermarket, or go the extra mile and give your carpets a new lease of life with a professional clean.

2 DUSTING

When cleaning, focus on getting rid of all of the dust first so that your cleaning isn't in vain.

3 UPHOLSTERY

Don't forget about any upholstery you have as that should be cleaned too. Get curtains dry cleaned, have furniture cleaned, and throw rugs in the machine.

4 WALLS

In addition to the above mentioned, don't forget to vacuum and wipe the walls and ceilings with an all-purpose cleaner. The aim should be to clean areas that you often neglect so that your whole home feels new and refreshed.

5 BATHROOMS

To clean the bathroom, rub strong agents into shower walls, tubs, toilets, and sinks. After fifteen or twenty minutes, you can rinse and wash the cleaning items.







Why not try a dark blue/
grey paint to highlight the
unique beams!

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Daisy's
Domain

BRADSHAW ROAD, TOTTINGTON, BURY

PRICE

OIRO £250,000



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This three bedroom semi detached stone cottage situated in a very popular rural location, close by to Harwood and Tottington Village. Accommodation briefly comprises of entrance porch, lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, three bedrooms and a family bathroom. The property further benefits from gas central heating system, double glazed windows, well maintained gardens to the front, side and rear with stunning views across countryside and beyond. There is also a single garage. Offered with no onward chain and viewing is essential to appreciate the accommodation on offer.



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GRISTLEHURST HOUSE

BIRTLE, HEYWOOD



PRICE
£1,350,000

Simply stunning Gristlehurst House is a six bed detached property situated in a very sought after location in the heart of greenbelt. The property is accessed via a private tree lined lane and entered through electronically operated gates. The property is set in approx 1.4 acres of beautiful landscaped gardens, with an expansive driveway leading to a detached double garage. This outstanding property, which has been immaculately modernised and maintained by its present owners, offers very spacious family accommodation.

The superb entrance hall, with feature fireplace, leads directly to two reception rooms, a large open plan breakfast/dining kitchen, with wrap around sun room, fitted double office, ground floor bedroom with en-suite bathroom and dressing room and guest WC/cloaks. Also on the ground floor are the laundry room, gym and access to the outside spa/conservatory. To the first floor are five further bedrooms, the master having en-suite shower and dressing room facilities, bedroom two with fitted wardrobes and en-suite shower, three double bedrooms all with fitted wardrobes and the family bathroom.

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THE ISLAND

SUMMERSEAT, BURY



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Hillcrest have undertaken the stylish refurbishment of two detached homes, converted the former Historic print and dye works into four attractive terraced properties to include some original details and constructed two pairs of semi-detached new build homes using materials sympathetic to the original Mill and the architecture found in this desirable village. Contact Miller Metcalfe for more information.







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SANDY LANE

BRINDLE, CHORLEY

PRICE

£1,150,000



If you are looking for space, quality and the ultimate in privacy then look no further. Ansdell is an exceptional detached residence of the highest specification that simply must be viewed internally to be fully appreciated. Set within three acres of private gated landscaped grounds the property has been designed with space and luxury at the forefront, with living space of epic proportions, additional self contained apartment, the highest quality fittings, air conditioning, whole house wired for B&O sound system and securely dog/animal proofed, CCTV and even a Helicopter landing pad.

The location is surrounded by open countryside and offers the ultimate in security and privacy yet sits within easy access to a host of amenities including the local village, well renowned public and private schooling and is well placed for major transport links, making it ideal for those looking to commute. Rarely do homes of this size and quality come to the market.





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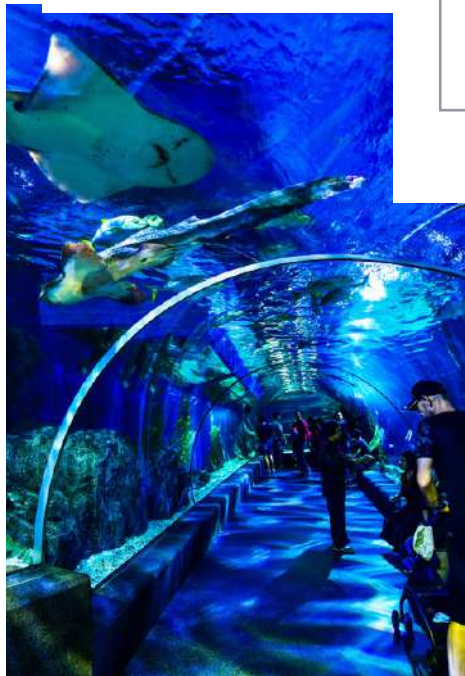
JUMP XTREME, BOLTON, BL2 1HY

Enjoy over 6000ft of fun over three levels and includes over forty individual activities, such as ball pool, swinging doughnuts, racing slide, spiral slide, aerial runway, rope course and crawl tube. They also have an additional cafe area for all you parents.

£9.95 per hour

Things
to do

— THIS SPRING —



CORONATION STREET EXPERIENCE, TRAFFORD, M50 2EQ

ITV have opened their outdoor Coronation Street sets at MediaCityUK to the public, including the world-famous cobbled street. The experience lasts around 80 minutes taking in Coronation Street, Rosamund Street and the newly extended Victoria Street, with plenty of opportunities for photos. Visitors will walk in the footsteps of the famous residents, discover filming secrets and hear stories of their favourite characters.

From £35



SEA LIFE, INTU TRAFFORD CENTRE, MANCHESTER, M17 8AS

Sea Life has over 5,000 creatures including sharks, seahorses, octopus, jellyfish and rays. You can watch fun talks and feed shows throughout the day while holding a crab or touching a starfish in an interactive touchpool experience. Test your creature knowledge and take part in a free kids quiz trail. Also, journey through the underwater tunnel as sharks and rays swim overhead. A children's soft play area is also available.

£15.50 (Adult) £11.50 (Children)

*Prices correct in March 2019. Prices subject to change.

BLACKPOOL PLEASURE BEACH, BLACKPOOL, FY4 1EZ

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Culcheth

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These include a library, village hall hosting various community events, two supermarkets, several pubs and a wide range of independent businesses including restaurants, cafes and takeaways.



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COMMON LANE CULCHETH



PRICE
OIRO £970,000

A rare opportunity to purchase a newly extended and fully modernised detached family home, located on this prestigious and popular road. Situated within a quarter of a mile of Culcheth village, ideally placed for the local Primary and Secondary schools. The house is set back from the road accessed via electric gates, which lead through to a block-paved driveway. The house occupies approx. 2900 sq ft, with the garage occupying a further 400 sq ft and has a modern façade, being rendered, with a central feature slate panel, whilst the interior of the property has been fitted to a high specification throughout.

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MILL HOUSE LANE WARRINGTON

PRICE
£580,000



Offered for sale with no upwards chain is this beautiful and unique detached barn conversion which has been adapted with the most desirable taste in mind and has been lovingly finished by the current owners. Set in a rural location and being nestled on approximately 3/4 of an acre of land, this spacious and characteristic property boasts many original features whilst still bringing modern and contemporary decor throughout.

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DOEFORD CLOSE CULCHETH



PRICE
OIRO £565,000



Located on the popular Doeford Close estate, lies this five bedroom detached property which offers modern family living, with the addition of having a self-contained downstairs living room, bedroom and en-suite, perfect for either elderly relatives living with families or guests. The property is located approximately a mile from Culcheth Centre and all its amenities and within the catchment area of Twiss Green Primary School. The accommodation briefly comprises:- Entrance hallway, lounge, dining room, study, modern fitted kitchen, utility room, downstairs WC and additional sitting room, with bedroom and en-suite leading off it.

POCKET NOOK LANE WARRINGTON

PRICE
£500,000



Situated in a sought after semi rural location and accessed via a private lane Hawthorn House offers flexible family living in simply stunning surroundings. The well presented and spacious accommodation is centered around a fabulous reception hall with galleried landing above. The ground floor offers a beautiful lounge with feature fireplace and wood burning stove, with a separate snug/study located at the front of the property. A spacious family room, with dining area leads into a well fitted country-style kitchen at the rear, which is complemented by separate utility room, laundry/cloak room and walk-in pantry.



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Farnworth

Farnworth is a town and an unparished area within the Metropolitan Borough of Bolton in Greater Manchester, England. It is located 2.3 miles southeast of Bolton, 4.3 miles south-west of Bury, and 7.5 miles northwest of Manchester. Historically in Lancashire, Farnworth lies on the River Irwell and the River Croal.



Use wood to create a feature wall in the living room to create a cosy space

[find out more](#)

Daisy's Domain

THE PARKLANDS

RADCLIFFE, MANCHESTER

PRICE
£450,000



BREATH-TAKING GRADE II LISTED FAMILY HOME WITHIN A FANTASTIC GATED DEVELOPMENT. Perfectly blending charming character features with a stunning modern contemporary finish, this beautiful period home of the highest calibre is well placed for renowned schooling and sitting on the bus route for Bolton School.

The building was once the main residence of a local mill owner and was sympathetically converted into a variety of individual luxury homes. Having exceptionally well proportioned accommodation set over three floors, this splendid individual property is ideally suited to the modern growing family. Located at the heart of the village of Stoneclough, it is within easy access to a host of local amenities with more major retail outlets only a short drive away. Only by internal inspection will buyers fully appreciate the size, setting and finer features of this most impressive home and an early viewing is strongly advised to avoid disappointment.







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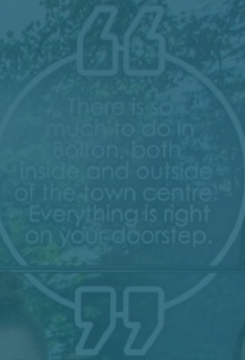
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'Red Gates' is the most impressive of detached family homes, set in an equally magnificent setting of Edgworth, Bolton. Previously the Headmasters' residence of Crowthorn School, which was originally founded in 1872. The school has now been converted into luxury housing, but Crowthorn village, including 'Red Gates' is steeped in history. A stone detached home, boasting five double bedrooms and five reception rooms, able to accommodate the largest of families.

Dating back to the 19th Century, and with many original features still prominent throughout the property, this unique period home is sure to entice those looking for a blend of space, character and unrivalled views. Sat on a substantial plot the property enjoys beautiful extensive gardens with open far reaching views to the rear. The rear garden is southerly facing, and wraps round to the side of the property leading to a delightful woodland area with brook running through.





BOLTON ROAD

EDGWORTH, TURTON



PRICE
£700,000

'The Manse' is a grand Victorian home, which exudes both character and elegance, in the highly regarded village of Edgworth. Occupying a prime central location, with excellent access to village amenities, the property sits on a superb plot with gardens to all sides, with stone walled perimeter and well kept hedges, assuring privacy is maintained. Unrivalled picturesque surroundings including Wayoh and Entwistle reservoir, provide extensive country walks right on your doorstep. The property has been sympathetically renovated to a high standard by the current owners, in keeping with the age and style of this Victorian home. With high rising chimney stacks, original fireplaces, spacious rooms, and set within fantastic grounds there is plenty to admire with this individual property. A perfect home for family living and entertaining, the property boasts three reception rooms, one of which features a large wood burning stove, and a high specification breakfast kitchen with central island. The first floor features four generous double bedrooms, with high ceilings and a spacious landing, typical of houses from this era, along with two stylish bathrooms. Also with the possibilities to extend to the loft space to create additional bedrooms including bathroom facilities and fantastic potential in the Cellar rooms to create more superb living space. A magnificent character home, which will appeal to large and growing families.



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Top garden trends

FOR SPRING

BOLD COLOURS, HANGING PLANTS AND MAKING A HOME FOR NATURE

TREND ONE - CLIMATE CHANGE GARDENS

Gardening for a changing climate is set to be a key trend for 2019.

Designer Sue Townsend MSGD says she is creating more ecological gardens to cope with the extreme weather conditions experienced in the UK in recent years.

Her advice is to plant the right plants for the conditions of each garden, to store water and to allow excess water to be collected then dissipated through the soil.

Joe Perkins MSGD agrees, saying he frequently designs planting schemes that are drought-resistant. He's also noticed that his clients are less inclined to pamper plants with state-of-the-art irrigation systems, because they feel it is more environmentally responsible to use plants which can fend for themselves.

TREND TWO - HANGING HOUSE PLANT

Sculptural and architectural plants will dominate in 2019.

"The continuing rise in popularity of house-plants is being translated outside with exotic-style plants with architectural leaves and stems making bold statements inside and out," Joe Perkins MSGD says.

Joe also predicts that we will be seeing more hanging plants in our gardens. Not traditional hanging baskets, but plants with foliage, colour and texture which can be used as accessories in addition to pots and planters.



TREND THREE - INTERIOR MEETS EXTERIOR

Designers say the colourful approach to interiors will be creeping into the garden in 2019.

Barbara Samitier MSGD expects industrial and reclaimed materials and encaustic tiles to be used more and more in urban gardens to compliment the growing interior trends.

TREND FOUR - PLANTS GO BOLD

Darren Hawkes predicts the arrival of bold print, clashing colours and the inclusion of large leaved plants.

He thinks we should be "taking kitsch in to the garden" by introducing bedding plants in bright coloured planters, or letting Pompon Dahlias take centre stage.



TREND FOUR - WILD AND PERENNIAL MEADOWS

Lots of designers have been experimenting with wildflower and perennial meadows in 2018, and this trend is set to continue into the new year.

The good news is you don't need a large plot to incorporate them into your garden as Sue Townsend MSGD explains.

"I've really enjoyed creating small-medium sized meadows in many of the gardens I have designed this year," she says.

"The most exciting venture was sowing my first perennial meadow. It will take a few years to establish properly but my clients are loving watching it develop. In a few years, it will provide interest from April to late November with relatively little maintenance."

Original article taken from <https://www.countryliving.com/uk/homes-interiors/gardens/g25624008/garden-trends-2019-society-garden-designers/>





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PRICE

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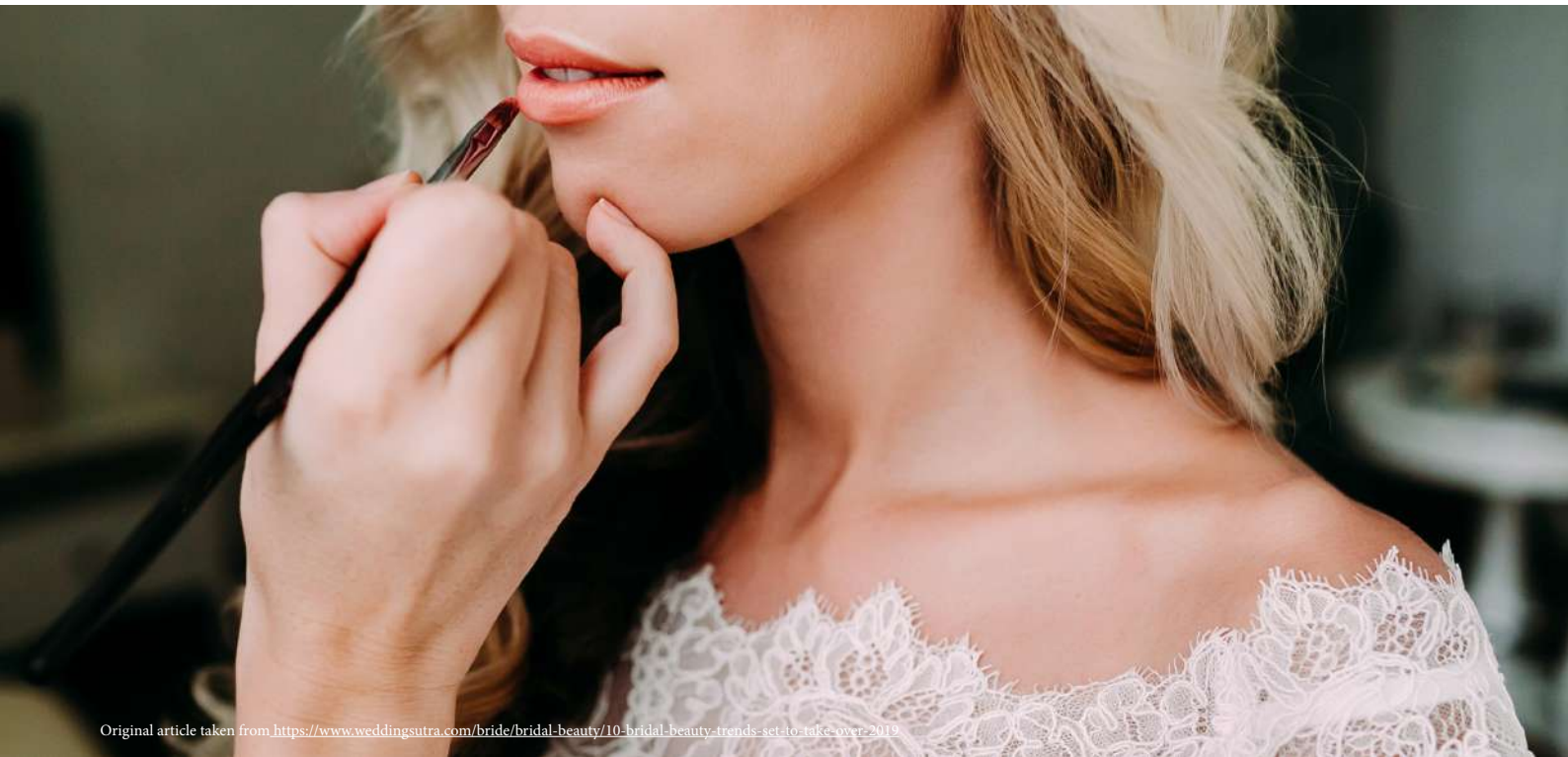




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Top bridal beauty trends

SET TO TAKE OVER 2019



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EARLY 2019 BRIDES, WE'RE HERE TO HELP YOU BE THE BRIDAL BEAUTY TRENDSETTERS FOR THE YEAR THAT IS TO COME.

One of the most exciting days of your life is on the horizon and you're likely counting down the days. You probably have your outfit finalised, so now it's time to focus your attention on the hair and makeup. We know brides who like to stay ahead of the curve will already be looking for the next big thing the following year brings. So here are the biggest and best hair and makeup trends to hit 2019.

Check them out and get inspired!

BLURRY BEAUTY

The smokey eye is gorgeous, but can be too bold for some. As bridal make up moves into its understated glam phase, it's time to welcome the blurred eyeliner. With the flexibility of playing with colours and intensity that this sultry smudged look allows, it manages to complement just about every age and style.

HEAVY METAL

What wedding is complete without sparkling eyes? And what better way to wing it than with some shimmery, metallic eyeshadow? Adding iridescence and depth to the eyes, whether as a sheer layer for the shy or a double dose for the daring, glitzy lids are pure indulgence and decadence and now, they are having their moment.

POWER POUT

A deep, rich, gorgeous pout spells confidence. It's a look every bride needs to own on her big day. From flattering plum and blackcurrant stains to seductive black cherry, these statement lips in berry hues have brides walking down the aisle looking like they are sashaying on the ramp.

STATEMENT SHEEN

Speaking of pouts, the lip gloss life is back and poppin'. Needless to say, a glossy finish over satin and matte will be high up on 2019's most-wanted list. The trend speaks to an enthusiastic youthful, feminine energy, and for those whose love the 'no-makeup makeup', this moisture laden, light-reflecting look brings a gorgeous sheen to the visage.

MAGIC ENTWINED

Whether woven artfully across the crown or left cascading over the shoulder, braids styled in fishtail fashion or inspired by the classic French braid, can be worn and styled in more ways than one can imagine. It promises to stay in place making the wearer look whimsical and innocent. With that said, lovers of the fuss-free coiff, rejoice!



A Lancashire tradition

COURTING CAKE

Witton Park near Blackburn was the last pre-nuptial public appearance for Prince William and his then fiancée, Kate Middleton. And, in true Lancastrian spirit, they were presented with a Courting Cake, which in some parts of Lancashire were lovingly baked by the fiancée, and presented to her betrothed as a token of love, care and friendship, following their courtship.

Their cake had been baked by Self Unlimited, a charity for disabled adults which runs a café at the sports pavilion in the park; it was heart-shaped and made of two layers of shortbread, sandwiched with raspberry jam, with the couple's names in icing on the top. It was presented to the couple by Sarah Buckley, one of the young adults studying catering with the charity.

Looking into the history of the Lancashire Courting Cake it is somewhere between a firm sponge - with a greater proportion of flour to fat and eggs than a Victoria sponge cake - and a shortbread base and was proof of the bride-to-be's baking skills. Like lovers, food and Lancashire go hand-in-hand.

The cake was traditionally filled with lightly bruised, or over-ripe strawberries or raspberries - I suppose akin to many a woman's heart, slightly bruised, battered, and oft' times a little past their best by the time they become betrothed!

Looking further into courtship in northern towns where segregation was a big part of life with women in cotton mills and light industry and the men employed in mining and heavy industry, there were designated areas to 'promenade', such as Oldham Street in Manchester, known as the Monkey rank, where single young people would walk up and down until they caught someone's eye.

In Preston, different areas were known for the class of people who would be allowed to frequent the courting zone. This was further pronounced in Chorley where Market Street was known as The Drag, which had a Tanner side for the office girls and clerks and a Tuppence-ha'penny' one where the factory workers walked out.

But according to Ellen (Nellie) Hitchen, from Chorley, all the girls would gagle together, irrespective of their working background, and walk up one side then back down the other, eyeing up the boys.

If their sweetheart wasn't there, he'd be in Howarth's Café, which was so popular that young people would queue up the stairs to get in. Nellie said: 'If you were really unlucky, by the time you got upstairs to a table, the boy you fancied would have spent his fourpence and the tiny lady owner would have thrown him out of the seat as soon as the cup of tea was empty so another young person would spend their money.'

On Sundays, gangs of young men and women in their best two pieces, a frock and coat, would gather in Astley Park, by the paddling pool, to look out for future partners.

With long working weeks Saturday and Sunday were the days for courtship, but over in east Lancashire it was definitely 'never on a Friday night'; if a young couple were caught together, the neighbours would alert everyone by banging a frying pan, and the couple would be given a hard time.

Not a fate that Prince William and Kate will have experienced, I'm sure! I wish them many wonderful years of happiness.

Ingredients

Makes about 16 slices

225g/8 oz Butter or sunflower margarine

225g/8 oz Caster or granulated sugar

4 Free-range eggs, lightly beaten

350g/12 oz Self-raising flour

30-45ml/2-3 tbsp Full-fat milk

300ml/10 fl oz Double cream

225g/8 oz Strawberries, sliced

Icing sugar, to decorate

Recipe

Original article taken from <https://www.lancashirelife.co.uk/food-drink/the-history-of-the-courting-cake-a-lancashire-tradition-1-1645135>

1. Grease and line the bases of three 18 cm (7 inch) round cake tins.
2. Cream the butter and the sugar together until pale and fluffy. Gradually add the eggs, a little at a time, beating well after each addition. Fold in the flour, then add enough milk to give a soft dropping consistency.
3. Divide the mixture evenly between the prepared tins and bake at 180c, gas mark 4, for 25 - 30 minutes, until well risen and firm to the touch, swapping the position of the top and bottom cakes halfway through cooking. Turn out and leave to cool on a wire rack.
4. Whip the cream until it just holds its shape. Sandwich the cakes together with the cream and the strawberries, reserving a few for decoration. Dredge the top with icing sugar and decorate with the reserved strawberries.

If you only have two tins, divide between the two, and decrease the cooking temperature slightly, around 170c, gas mark 3, and cook for a little longer. The texture of the cake is firmer than a standard Victoria sponge, and slightly closer to a shortbread texture.



Pet Pointers

HOW TO INCLUDE YOUR DOG IN YOUR WEDDING

One of the sweetest things about weddings today is having man's (and woman's) best friend take part in the ceremony. Who doesn't ooh and aah when they spot a furry friend walking down the aisle with tail wagging and looking their wedding best?

But, as fun and photo-op cute as it is, including your pet in the wedding does require some thought, so we asked renowned dog trainer Victoria Stilwell for a few tips. Victoria, best known for her role as the star of Animal Planet's hit TV series *It's Me or the Dog*, is not only CEO of Victoria Stilwell Positively Dog Training but also a best-selling book author. Her most recent, *Train Your Dog Positively*, will be available on March 19th at stores nationwide and online at amazon.com.

Here, Victoria's advice on what to consider when having your pet in the wedding:

1. ASK IF YOUR DOG HAS WHAT IT TAKES.

Weddings can be stressful and overwhelming for a dog that does not adapt well to new environments or is uncomfortable around strangers. Sociable dogs that are outgoing and friendly often cope better with the extra attention they are likely to receive. If your dog is shy and uncomfortable around people, leave him at home where he is safe and secure.

2. DECIDE WHAT PART OF THE CEREMONY YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR DOG(S) TO ATTEND.

Involve your dog in the ceremony but not the reception, as receptions tend to be overwhelming — especially those with an extensive guest list and loud music.

3. CHECK FIRST TO MAKE SURE THAT THE VENUES YOU CHOOSE FOR YOUR WEDDING ALLOW DOGS.

Many have a strict no pet policy.

Original article taken from <https://www.bridalguide.com/blogs/from-dianes-desk/tips-dogs-in-weddings>.



4. MAKE SURE THAT YOU TELL YOUR BRIDESMAIDS OR GROOMSMEN OF YOUR INTENTIONS BEFORE THE DAY.

Many people are allergic to dogs, so giving them ample warning will help them prepare if they suffer from allergies.

5. WHAT ROLE IS YOUR DOG GOING TO PLAY AT YOUR WEDDING?

Whether she is the ring bearer or the hound of honour, start preparing early for the tasks she is going to do during the ceremony.

6. DESIGNATE A HANDLER

You will need one that will be with your dog at all times throughout the ceremony. This will relieve any pressure you might feel to make sure that your dog behaves properly.

7. REHEARSE AS MUCH AS YOU CAN

Rehearse with your dog before the big day and leave ample time to practice during the actual rehearsal so that your dog (and his or her handler) knows exactly what to do and when to do it.

8. TAKE A TRIP TO THE GROOMING PARLOUR

Or wash and groom your dog at home so that he looks and smells good on the big day.

9. ENSURE THAT YOUR DOG IS WELL-CONTROLLED AROUND YOUR GUESTS

A jumping dog will not be appreciated. If your dog has a tendency to jump up, keep him leashed and controlled at all times.

10. DO NOT FORGET TO INCLUDE YOUR DOG IN SOME WEDDING PICTURES!

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Mistakes to avoid

WITH YOUR WEDDING FLOWERS

Original article taken from <https://www.interflora.co.uk/blog/8-wedding-flower-mistakes-to-avoid/>

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Spending hours on end looking for wedding flower inspiration on Pinterest may be fun, but if you want your big day to be a blooming success, you need to engage a good florist and get down to business.

Though you might consider choosing your wedding flowers to be a rather straight forward process, there are certain pitfalls every bride should be aware of.

We asked floral designer and expert wedding florist Steve Betts from Birmingham to share his top tips for avoiding those floral faux pas.

1. NOT BEING OPEN AND HONEST

“Once you've chosen the florist you want to design your wedding flowers it's really important that you are open and honest with them. Communicate your vision, tell them about your likes as well as dislikes and be clear on your budget from the outset. This way your florist can really understand your brief and help you best achieve the look you desire.”

2. ORDERING YOUR FLOWERS TOO LATE

“Nowadays most flower varieties are available all year round but certain flowers will need to be imported if out of season in the UK. It's important to leave at least a six week window ahead of your wedding day to give your florist enough time to order your flowers and ensure you get the wedding flowers you want.

If you do want to use exclusively British grown flowers, my advice would be not to put all your eggs in one basket. Home grown blooms are at the mercy of the Great British weather and unseasonably warm or cool spells could seriously affect the crop, potentially leaving you without your preferred stems come the big day.”

3. NOT TRUSTING YOUR FLORIST

“With so much wedding inspiration out there on the web, brides can become obsessed with replicating a bouquet or table arrangement they've seen exactly, which is near on impossible for even the most skilled florist. A florist can do a much better job if the bride asks for an overall look, feel, and colour scheme and leaves it to the florist to bring her vision to life. Remember why you hired your florist in the first place and put your faith in them. A good florist will be as invested in your wedding as you are.”

4. NOT REUSING ARRANGEMENTS

“By reusing ceremony arrangements at the reception venue you can make your money go so much further. With the ceremony usually only lasting about half an hour it's a shame to see so many beautiful flowers going to waste when they could easily be incorporated into the reception décor.”

5. USING ONLY ONE COLOUR

“Trying to match the flowers exactly to the bridesmaid dresses is a big 'no-no'. A bridesmaid in a lavender gown with lavender flowers will make for very disappointing pictures. Flowers are a great place to choose an accent colour. For example, a lime green against a lavender gown will bring out the best in both colours and make for fabulous photographs.”



Your essential guide to

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Want to relive your wedding day again and again? Of course you do! Well, you're going to want to capture all the important moments. Instead of asking one of your camera savvy mates to shoot your footage for you, go with a professional wedding photographer. Yes, this is another expense you'll need to add to your list, but it's totally worth it. If you don't know where to begin, we've sat down with our in-house photographer **Barry Milliken** to give you some advice!

WHAT PACKAGES DO PHOTOGRAPHERS OFFER?

The packages each photographer will offer will depend on the level of work they will need to do for your wedding, whether that's the length of day you will need the photographer will need, amount of editing time needed and resources it will require. For me, I offer two packages; Full day shoot including a night shoot and a short/half day shoot.

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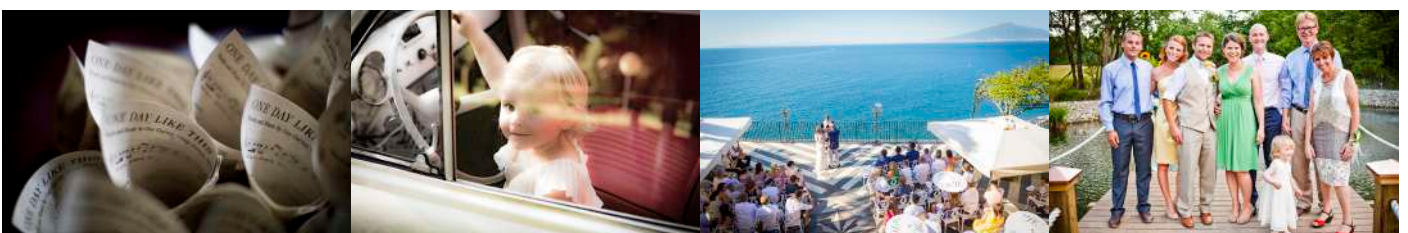
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HOW LONG AFTER THE WEDDING WILL I RECEIVE PHOTOS?

On average it will take about 2 weeks. I also provide full wedding albums on request.

HOW DO I CHOOSE THE BEST PHOTOGRAPHER?

Look at their portfolio and reviews from previous clients. The amount of experience they have is very important, the more experience they have, the more you will be able to rely on them doing a good job.





Top honeymoon destinations

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TO INSTAGRAM



A honeymoon is the opportunity for a holiday of a lifetime, where newlyweds can relax and settle into married life after the stress of wedding planning. And with so many dreamy destinations to choose from, it can be hard to narrow it down to just one. However, there are a few hotspots that are firm favourites among honeymooners, many of whom aren't able to resist sharing their breathtaking snaps on Instagram. Honeymoon specialist Kuoni has analysed over two million #honeymoon posts published from all over the world in the last five years, to reveal the top ten honeymoon destinations around the world according to Instagram.

THE CARIBBEAN

With over 19,000 mentions, the Caribbean is the tenth most popular destination to honeymoon at. Within the Caribbean, St Lucia regularly popped up as one of the most popular islands for honeymooners, who are lured in by the idyllic beaches and tropical climate.

DUBAI

It may not be the first place you think of when talking honeymoons, but Dubai has become increasingly popular, with just under 20,000 mentions on Instagram. As well as hitting the beach, newlyweds have lots to see and do in Dubai, such as visiting the Burj Khalifa or heading out into the desert. No wonder it's attracted the likes of Michelle Keegan and Mark Wright, who visited as part of their two-stop honeymoon in 2015.

PARIS

Known as one of the most romantic cities in the world, Paris attracts its fair share of honeymooners. There were over 21,000 mentions of the city in Instagram honeymoon posts, with couples taking the opportunity to explore landmarks like the Eiffel Tower and Arc de Triomphe as part of their stay.

GREECE

Recently visited by newlyweds Millie Mackintosh and Hugo Taylor on their honeymoon, Greece has much to offer couples looking for a romantic and relaxing break. Santorini comes out on top as the most popular Greek Island to visit, but you could make like Millie and try the islands of Kefalonia or Crete for an idyllic Grecian getaway.

WELCOME TO
Hindley

Hindley offers a range of shops and everyday amenities as well as a train station providing quick and easy access to Manchester. Hindley benefits from a strong community spirit with four churches located in the village and the adjacent village of The Hollins. The village offers essential amenities, including a choice of pubs, a doctor's surgery, butchers, barbers, hairdressers, chemist, ice-cream parlour and supermarkets.



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ASPULL, WIGAN



PRICE
£275,000



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WELCOME TO

Horwich

Horwich is very fortunate to have Bolton and Chorley only a stones through away. It has close links to buses and trains. Local amenities include Middlebrook Retail Park, University of Bolton Stadium (Home to Bolton Wanderers Football Club) and Bolton Golf Club. There are plenty of shops and restaurants in and around Horwich.



SUDBURY DRIVE

LOSTOCK, BOLTON

PRICE

£1,100,000



The Lake House is one of the most prestigious houses in Lostock, set within its own impressive grounds overlooking the lake, stocked with carp and other fishes. This bespoke property was built by the current owners in 2010 offering versatile living accommodation over three floors with several reception rooms, four large bedrooms, a dressing room which can be used as a fifth bedroom, en-suite facilities, plus a large work shop with potential to turn into an annexe with wet room (subject to planning), detached garage, sun terrace covering three sides of the building with glass and stainless steel balustrades.

To the lower ground floor there is a gym, snooker room and cinema/play room, along with one room currently set out as a model railway. The property uses renewable technology in the form of geothermal heat to supply under floor heating and hot water to the property, giving way to reduced running costs.







FOXHOLES ROAD HORWICH, BOLTON



PRICE
£600,000

Occupying an enviable semi-rural position set within the conservation area of Foxholes Road which is a one of the most prestigious areas of Horwich. The current owners have extended to the rear to create a stunning open plan area which enjoys the breath taking garden at the rear and views beyond, which is its main focal point. There are lovely private views to the rear over fields and surrounding countryside. The plot itself is well proportioned and attractively landscaped. The accommodation briefly comprises porch, hallway, lounge with double doors leading to the orangery, open plan kitchen and orangery with beautiful views of the garden and beyond, utility, downstairs WC and a study with amazing bay windows.



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GEORGES LANE HORWICH, BOLTON

PRICE
£550,000



Impressive stone farmhouse built in the early 19th Century former coaching house. Tastefully and substantially renovated to create a splendid detached residence. Nestled above Horwich, with Lower Rivington reservoir and Rivington Pike itself being only half-a-mile away. This superb home offers easy access to Horwich and Bolton town centres and to the M61 motorway. Accommodation briefly comprises of porch, hall, lounge with fabulous original features such as stone flagged floors and a spectacular inglenook fireplace, dining/sitting room, kitchen and a utility area. To the first floor there are four bedrooms and a family bathroom. Also benefiting from a recently completed annexe, offers yet more flexible living space.



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Stavanger

NORWAY



STAVANGER HAS BEEN VOTED THE NO.1 EUROPEAN DESTINATION TO VISIT THIS SPRING

Stavanger is a beautiful destination located in Norway. It is famous among trekking lovers and lovers of the most beautiful landscapes in Europe. Although it hardly ever snows in Stavanger (in comparison to other cities in Norway like Bergen), it's so pleasant in spring with the trees in bloom and the beautiful houses of Stavanger illuminated by the sun.

If you are adventurous, put on your trekking shoes and set off to discover Kjerag that is ranked among the best trekking places in Europe. There are many beaches in the region (along the coastline of Jaeren); they are perfect for fauna and flora watching. Book your accommodation at the best price in Stavanger. The highest rated hotels in Stavanger are the Thon Hotel and the Clarion Hotel for their excellent value for money; they are situated in the heart of the city.



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WELCOME TO

Westhoughton

Westhoughton is a popular town in the Borough of Bolton, It is 4 miles southwest of Bolton, 5 miles east of Wigan and 13 miles North-West of Manchester. Westhoughton was once a centre for coal mining, cotton-spinning and textile manufacture. it is now mainly a residential area with a lively night life and many public amenities including a train station and swimming baths and has excellent schools.

Fun for all the family

HOMEMADE PIZZA



Method

- In a large mixing bowl, stir together the flour, semolina and salt. Stir in the dried yeast (or crumble in the fresh yeast). Make a well in the centre of the flour mixture and pour in most of the water along with the olive oil. Bring the dough together with your hands or a wooden spoon. As the flour is incorporated, the dough will start to take shape. Add the remaining water if the dough feels tight or hard.
- Turn the dough out onto a clean surface and knead for 10 minutes, or until it is smooth and elastic. Cut off a small piece of the dough and stretch part of it as thinly as you can. If you can see the shadow of your fingers through the dough (the light should shine through the dough like a window pane) without it tearing, it is ready to prove.
- Knead the cut piece back into the dough and shape the dough into an even ball. Place in an oiled bowl, cover with a damp tea towel and allow to prove in a warm place for 1–1½ hours, or until it has doubled in size (the temperature of your kitchen can affect the timing of this).
- When the dough has risen, take it out of the bowl and knock the air out. Divide the dough into two equal portions, and shape each portion into a ball. Cover with a damp cloth and allow to prove again for about 15 minutes.
 - Place a pizza stone or an upturned baking tray into the oven and preheat to its highest setting.
- Dust the work surface liberally with semolina. Roll out one piece of the dough to form a circle that will fit on your pizza stone or baking tray.
- Transfer the pizza base onto a plastic chopping board (or another upturned baking tray) dusted with semolina. The tray will be used to slide the pizza base directly onto the pizza stone.
 - Cover the surface with half of the tomato sauce and toppings of your choice.
- When ready to bake, slide the pizza directly onto the pizza stone and cook for 8–10 minutes, or until the base is golden-brown and the toppings are bubbling. Repeat with the remaining dough, tomato sauce and toppings.

PREP TIME

LESS THAN 2 HOURS

COOKING TIME

10 - 12 MINS

SERVES

MAKES 2 PIZZAS

INGREDIENTS

For the dough

400g/14oz strong white flour
100g/3½oz semolina, plus extra for dusting
2 tsp salt
15g/½oz fresh yeast or 1½ tsp of dry yeast
275ml/9½fl oz tepid water
50ml/2fl oz olive oil, plus extra for oiling

For the topping

2 tbsp tomato sauce
pizza toppings of your choice





HESKETH PARK

WESTHOUGHTON



PRICE
£625,000

Hesketh park is a stunning executive private gated residence comprising of only two bespoke built properties. This executive five bedroom detached home is presented to the highest of standards internally, built by the current owner in 2013 they have spared no expense in producing a beautiful family home. Situated just off the sought after and affluent Dobb Brow Road you are conveniently placed for access to local convenience stores, supermarkets and other amenities, not to mention the highly rated local school options. Access onto the M61 motorway network is within easy reach of Hesketh Park making work and other commutes really easy. Internally the property is presented to an amazing standard and encompasses all the trappings of open plan family living with the modern open kitchen dining and lounge with breakfast bar and utility room, underfloor heating and bi-folding patio doors. There is added benefit of the private family lounge and another reception room currently used as a home office. Five en-suite and large bedrooms, along with the family bathroom and downstairs W.C all combine to make this the most desirable of family homes. Externally the property boasts a secure electric gate entrance, large driveway for multiple vehicles and a double integral garage. To the rear of the property there is a stunning private and non-overlooked garden with un-spoilt views.







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WELCOME TO
Worsley

Worsley is a beautiful village filled with black and white buildings, a green, a busy high street, many restaurants and the prestigious Bridgewater School. With its beautiful landscapes, good public transport links and the Trafford Centre close by Worsley is the place to live.



The must have colour

THIS SPRING

HOW TO DECORATE YOUR HOME WITH THIS SEASON'S BOLDEST SHADE

Symbolising bright sunshine, yellow is the ideal choice for spring as the weather warms up.

Inspiration website Pinterest has seen a 45 per cent increase in Pinners saving mustard yellow interiors, as the site earmarks it as one of their most popular decorating trends of 2019.

"We are seeing that people are growing confidence with their colour choices throughout the home. A colour like mustard is bold and warm and can be seen as quite an intimidating colour but actually it's really versatile and gaining popularity," says Larkin Brown, User Researcher at Pinterest.

"Many people are incorporating mustard into statement pieces such as side cabinets in the lounge or contrasting it with something unexpected like deep teal blue that really provides a punch."

Mustard paint will instantly add light and warmth to any room, so if you really want to go for it, opt for this bright shade from Crown, priced at £18 for 2.5 litres.

Try it out in the smallest room in your house, such as the bathroom or really embrace it in a dining room or kitchen.

"Mustard is a warm colour that adds a bit of happiness to any colour palette," says Pinner and blogger Erica Chan Coffman, who likes to add the shade by mixing it into existing colour schemes. "I like to bring in textures through the lounge...rugs, pillows and little objects on the table featuring this colour. A statement lamp and greenery can also warm up the room and make it feel lived in."

Use the colour as a contrast against a dark charcoal grey and different shades of blue such as an inky navy or bright teal.







LOWER GREEN LANE TYLDESLEY

PRICE
£695,000



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VICARS HALL LANE WORSLEY

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PRICE
OIRO £600,000

BEAUTIFULLY PRESENTED FOUR BEDROOM GATED DETACHED!! EXTENSIVE GROUNDS WITH BROOK TO THE REAR!! Vicars Hall Lane is located in the popular location of Worsley close to the popular St Andrews primary school, with fantastic road links to Manchester reaching the city centre in minutes, as well as Salford Quays/Media City and a short distance to Historic Worsley Village with an array of beautiful walks by Bridgewater Canal, eateries and bars. Manchester Airport and the motorways are all easily accessible.

This immaculately presented property boasts large double ceiling height family reception room with plenty of light thanks to several Velux and side windows along with patio doors to rear garden, large bathroom with steam room and Jacuzzi bath. Further two large reception rooms, spacious family kitchen, utility and a sun room. First floor offers four spacious bedrooms, master with en-suite and walk in dressing room. Gated access to the property with a large driveway to the front and mixture of landscaped patio and lawned areas to the side and rear.


Pair the stunning natural beams of this house with industrial accents to create a cosy rustic cabin

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Daisy's Domain





How to bake

— EASTER BISCUITS —

Ingredients

MAKES 48

250g caster sugar
150g butter, room temperature
2 eggs
450g plain flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons baking powder
2 1/2 teaspoons orange zest
1 tablespoon orange juice

Method

PREP : 30MIN › COOK : 10MIN ›
READY IN : 40MIN

1. Preheat the oven to 190 C / Gas mark 5.
2. In a large bowl, cream together the sugar and butter. Add eggs and beat until smooth. Stir in the flour, baking powder and salt until well blended. Mix in the orange juice and orange zest.
3. On a lightly floured surface, roll out the dough to a 6mm thickness. Cut out rabbit shapes with a biscuit cutter. Place rabbits onto an unprepared baking tray. Bake in the preheated oven for 8 to 10 minutes. Ice and decorate as desired.



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