

Specialty Food Fair 2015



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Great day at The Speciality Food Fair. I have sampled so much food I won't need to eat any supper! Lots of great suppliers from all kinds of places. Not local but lots of artisan foods. Only local one was Warner Edwards, Harrington Gin!

Here are just a few that caught my eye and the reasons why.....

Maynards Farm - fab tasting ham, happy to supply sides of pork cured ready for us to slice our own bacon. Saves our butchers curing the pork. Was given a sample of three different bacons, looking forward to a bacon sandwich in the morning.

Chunk of Devon - amazing pasty and pies, all though not too local to us they are happy to send frozen and we bake off and serve over deli counter. Spoke to Mark from Darts Farm Shop and he is happy with them. Their pasty looks great, Kevin will have one for his tea tonight once the combine has finished.

S Cargo - this is a new idea and we are going to sleep on this one. They sell kits for you to Grow your own snails and then you cook and eat them! A very different food gift idea! It made us smile, not sure if it will catch on in Market Harborough!

Taking the pea - four flavours of dried pea snacks, very tasty! Great name. :-)

Kold - sold frozen cocktails. 8 percent alcohol, great packaging. The box with two serving pouches were an ambient product that the customer took home and put in the freezer, then serve as an iccold cocktail slush. Sadly no samples to taste, but looked good.

The Pembrokeshire beach food co - great sea weed products and fish shaped biscuits!

Paxkd - frozen smoothies in packs, just add coconut water, frozen fruit and super ingredients. Great retail packaging, also supply the food service trade. Tasted fantastic. Also sold very quiet blending machines that would work for our cafe.

We love man food - had a fantastic range of chutneys, pickles and jams. Packed in large jars and tasted amazing. Had fantastic different flavours and the quality was superb. Excited about this one in our shop as the label design was different and included a couple of gift packs! Hoping this will be a good Christmas seller! Something Fresh New and Different for us!

There were lots of other suppliers and distributors, too many to mention. All in all a very good days work!

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