# Cheese & Friends

Sheffield's Fine Cheese Shop

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# The most wonderful time of the year

The build up to and Christmas week itself is always an exciting and frantic time for Cheese Makers and Mongers. If there's one time of the year to celebrate with fine food, it's the period we are now in, and with the challenges and uncertainty we face at present, we don't' expect this year to be any different, as we all look for a treat or two.

Demand for cheese hits top gear in the week prior to Christmas so please do look out for our gift ideas and our Cheese Preorder information both in this edition of Cheesewire and on our Cheese and Friends website.

Our range of cheese in the shop will peak at nearly 130 different choices, with many very special Farmhouse and Artisan British cheeses available, alongside many Continental classics.

We look forward to being of service to you over the Christmas season.



# Cheese & Friends out and about

We will be making an appearance at Artisan markets in the Sheffield area over the coming weeks, to chat cheese and showcase our Christmas cheese range.

• Dronfield Artisan Market, Saturday 26th November

Sharrow Vale Artisan Market, Sunday 4th December Following our successful October Tasting Events, we will be hosting a second series, "World Class British Cheese", a flight of 5 cheeses paired with an accompaniment and a wine match. These will be priced at £25 per person, and will be on Thursdays in February- 2nd, 9th and 23rd.
Booking will be available in January online or through the shop.

# Christmas Orders now Open

We will be taking a maximum of 300 preorders, available for collection from our shop from Monday 19th December in collection slots through to Saturday 24th December.

These slots will be available on a first come first taken basis and will be closed on Saturday 10th December, or sooner if capacity is reached by then. Order forms will be available on our

website or in print at the shop and at the markets.



# **Blessed are the Cheesemakers**

### Jonny and Dulcie Crickmore- Baron Bigod

This is an English take on Brie de Meaux, and a cracking one at that! Made near to Bungay in Suffolk by Jonny Crickmore and team for over a decade, this cheese has become one of our leading Artisan cheeses. The wrinkled rind with flecks of orange and brown denote the presence of moulds and yeasts bringing earthy, mushroom and brassica notes to the cheese. The golden mouth filling paste made with top quality milk from Fen Farm's Montbeliarde cows, becomes soft and scrumptious at room temperature.



## **Cheese Boxes**

| A range of six Gift and C | Cheese boxes | are available for |
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| pre-order.                |              |                   |

- The Sheffield Box (pictured) £20.00
- Classic British Cheese Box £20.00
- Gimblett's Exceptional Cheese Box £32.00
- The Great British Cheese Rennaisance Box £35.00
- The Yorkshire Artisan cheese Box £35.00
- The Boxing Day Treat Box (24 Dec only) £40.00





## My favourite cheese Debbie: Colston Bassett Blue Stilton

Made by Billy Kevan and his team in Nottinghamshire, this Stilton is the model of consistently excellent quality. There is a good balance of well marbled blue in this cheese, with a creamy luxuriant texture and a flavour profile moving through sweet, savoury, and a malty saltiness. A great choice any time of the year, but an absolute winner at Christmas, especially when accompanied by a warming glass of tawny port. A firm family favourite for us.

## Cheese Dish of the Month

Alpine cheeses are at the forefront as those colder Winter nights now approach, with the reintroduction to our range of Beaufort, Raclette and Mont D'Or, amongst a wider range of Alpine cheeses. Try a baked Vacherin, or see us to hire our Raclette grill for £20, for your own Raclette Supper party.



## Bespoke your Foodie Christmas Gift

Priced from £5- £7.50, our beautiful Red Christmas Boxes are a fabulous way to create your own gift. Choose from a great range of ambient cheese accompaniments. Lots of Sheffield made products to choose from to give real local support

Christmas week opening times:

- Monday 19th December- Thursday 22nd December, 9am-5pm
- Friday 23rd December, 9am-7pm: Saturday 24th December,9am-2pm.

