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Shop and share some Christmas cheer

The WellChild Christmas fair at Daylesford is an ideal way to buy your presents while helping others

he WellChild Christmas Fair in the Cotswolds returns to Daylesford for its sixth year this November. The event has become the go-to affair for those who have embraced their festive planning and are getting prepped for the Christmas season; an opportunity to purchase one off gifts made by a carefully curated list of independent artisans, makers and crafters.

Taking place from November 7-9, the Daylesford Organic Farm is the backdrop for the fair which regularly draws crowds in the thousands. As well as choosing from a wide variety of exclusive products, attendees will also be supporting WellChild -the national charity for seriously ill children, committed to improving the quality of life for children across the UK with exceptional health needs.

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Baking Brothers Tom and Henry Herbert of Hobbs House Bakery. Stylish canapés will be provided by LoveBites, cocktails kindly donated by Spirit of the Cotswolds, and Champagne reception hosted by Sixteen Ridges.

Cotswold Life is the event's official media partner and The Christmas Fair in the Cotswolds is sponsored by AGA, Knight Frank, Dubarry and Pooky who underline the quality and high profile nature of the event.

On November 8 and 9, a series of masterclasses and book signings will share insider tips on festive food, mixology, party planning and styling the home for the season while visitors will be able to muse over stalls ranging from fashion and accessories to small batch bakers and beauty products.

As testament to the enduring appeal of the fair, returning stand-holders include Frangipani; handblock printed quilts, tablecloths, nurseryware and partycoats and David Farquhar smoked products in Foxham, both of whom have supported the fundraising event for more than 15 years. 2016's debut exhibitors include; Mobs London, a lifestyle brand for young men drawing influence from London's urban culture and Abanha, luxurious collection of British made bath, body and home fragrance products.

More than £155,000 has been raised by the fair for WellChild in the last two years. Organiser Lucy Greaves, from Bazaar Events, said: "The WellChild Christmas Fair is a highlight in the local calendar; an opportunity to get Christmas in order and most importantly to help WellChild - an organisation that does amazing work ensuring seriously ill children across the UK are given the best chance to thrive - at home, together with their families."

Tickets are priced from £5 per person and can be purchased by visiting https://www.wellchild.org.uk/christmas-fair-2016/