

# A Taste d'Angleterre

A Taste d'Angleterre is a small shop within Chez Teresa, where we specialise in selling English food products, including 'health foods' such as 'veggie' sausages, nut roasts, special cakes and crunchy bars, and also some gluten free stock. And for those wanting to cook an authentic tasting hot spicy curry, we have a number of ingredients for sale that can help you to create that dish.

The idea for A Taste d'Angleterre stemmed from the fact that when we first arrived in France although we were enjoying French cuisine, we missed certain food products; - savouries such as Heinz Baked Beans, Cheddar Cheese, Bisto Gravy Granules, Carr's Water Biscuits and sweets such as Cadbury's and Roses Chocolates, Heinz Sponge Puddings, especially Spotted Dick and Treacle 'puds' with Devon Custard, - and to drink - Roses Lime Cordial, to name but a few. And so when we set up Chez Teresa in the summer of 2006, we decided to sell delicious English food products that we had missed, and also stock those we felt might tempt the palette of the many tourists who visit us from all over the world. To date our best sellers are Cadbury's Chocolate, and English Strawberry Jams and Honey's, but also some more interesting combinations such as Cherry and Almond jam has proved popular, along with a range of thick cut and thin Marmalades. We've also tempted many local French people to try our jams and chutneys along with foods such as Marmite and Yorkshire pudding mix, products and dishes that they had never tried before.

It had always been our intention to run a Café/Tea-room cum arts centre, and although we are small all our spaces are filled to capacity with objet d'art/bric-a-brac, paintings by local French craftspeople and artists such as Christelle Aveline whose sketches of Fontevraud Abbey sold well this summer (2006). In addition we stock exclusive crafts and jewellery by English Potter Jean McCree and second hand books. The intention is to create a welcoming tea-room, and shopping space that has the feel of the 'Old Curiosity Shoppe' about it.

In our Dining Room we can, by reservation, create special dinners for guests from English to Indian to Mexican and Italian. All the ingredients that we use are fresh and our dishes tried and tested. If however, anyone wished to have a Fray Bentos Pie with Mashed Potatoes we could certainly look to our shop for the products.

Also in stock are a range of gift baskets and food hampers for sale plus we are always happy to create a special food or gift basket to the customer's specification.

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