

# Let's Go

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G IS FOR  
**"GIVE US  
A KISS"**

SMOOCHING WITH  
THE PUNTERS AS  
LONDON'S BOROUGH  
MARKET TURNS 1,000

N IS FOR  
**NOMAD**  
IN SEARCH OF  
MOROCCO'S  
TRAVELLING  
BERBERS

Q IS FOR  
**Q&A**  
MEET THE BRITISH  
ARTIST WHOSE  
WORK GOT HIM  
OFF THE STREETS

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BELLA AND  
OLIVIA MAKE  
SURE TO KEEP  
DADDY SWEET  
FOR XMAS

WIN  
**€200**  
FLIGHT  
VOUCHERS

**TRAVEL**  
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TO



# DECEMBER

<b>A</b>	is for... <b>APRIL FOOLS</b>	in <b>SPAIN</b>
<b>B</b>	is for... <b>BRIDGE</b>	in <b>MONTPELLIER</b>
<b>C</b>	is for... <b>CHALLENGE</b>	in <b>TRIESTE</b>
<b>D</b>	is for... <b>DRINK</b>	in <b>PRAGUE</b>
<b>E</b>	is for... <b>EASYBREATH</b>	in <b>THE CANARIES</b>
<b>F</b>	is for... <b>FESTIVAL</b>	in <b>PARIS</b>
<b>G</b>	is for... <b>GIVE US A KISS</b>	in <b>LONDON</b>
<b>H</b>	is for... <b>HOBBIT</b>	across <b>THE NETWORK</b>
<b>I</b>	is for... <b>IGLOO</b>	in <b>GERMANY &amp; SPAIN</b>
<b>J</b>	is for... <b>JESÚS</b>	in <b>JEREZ</b>
<b>K</b>	is for... <b>KAYAK</b>	in <b>VENICE</b>
<b>L</b>	is for... <b>LUDOGORETS</b>	in <b>BULGARIA</b>
<b>M</b>	is for... <b>MALTA</b>	in <b>MALTA</b>
<b>N</b>	is for... <b>NOMADS</b>	in <b>MOROCCO</b>
<b>O</b>	is for... <b>OFF-SEASON</b>	in <b>ATHENS</b>
<b>P</b>	is for... <b>PLAYTIME</b>	in <b>MANCHESTER</b>
<b>Q</b>	is for... <b>Q&amp;A</b>	in <b>LONDON</b>
<b>R</b>	is for... <b>REUNIFICATION</b>	in <b>BERLIN</b>
<b>S</b>	is for... <b>SKI JUMP</b>	in <b>OLSO</b>
<b>T</b>	is for... <b>TUK TUK</b>	in <b>EINDHOVEN</b>
<b>U</b>	is for... <b>UNDER A TENNER</b>	in <b>DUBLIN</b>
<b>V</b>	is for... <b>VERSUS</b>	in <b>MUNICH</b>
<b>W</b>	is for... <b>WINTER SOLSTICE</b>	across <b>THE NETWORK</b>
<b>X</b>	is for... <b>X-FACTOR</b>	in <b>LONDON</b>
<b>Y</b>	is for... <b>YULETIDE TREATS</b>	across <b>THE NETWORK</b>
<b>Z</b>	is for... <b>ZIEMASSVETKU EGLITE</b>	in <b>RIGA</b>

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## IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE BERBERS

From a life lived on the move in search of fresh pastures to a love of streaming hit movies online: how Morocco's desert nomads are adapting to the modern world



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## ONE MAN AND HIS DOG

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We meet artist John Dolan and his dog George, who together have swapped sleeping rough on the streets for a spot on the bestsellers list



# J

is for...  
**JESÚS**



**No, not that one. Jesús Barquín, sherry king of the Western world. Oh, and J is for Jerez, too, where the best stuff comes from, says Mike Peake.**

Up until very recently, in dusty bodegas across southern Spain, half-forgotten casks of vintage sherry lay in wait for the resurgence that a die-hard few knew would surely come. While sherry had once commanded a certain cachet, its decline towards the end of the 20th century had seen it all but disappear from European cocktail cabinets.

Today, you can't go into a hipster drinking hole without seeing an immaculately bearded barman lovingly tending to his selection of sherries. And Jesús and his Jerez-based team **Equipo Navazos** ([equiponavazos.com](http://equiponavazos.com)) have been the driving force behind its comeback.

"These wines are authentic and raw," says Jesús, who tracks down old barrels and bottles them up. "They're amazingly good."

So good, in fact, that there's a sherry for each season...

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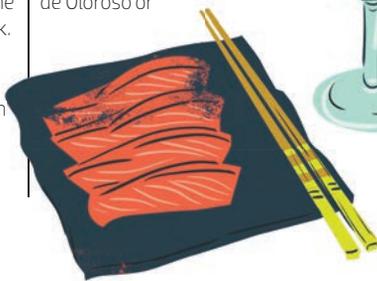
## WINTER

"Cream sherry is an excellent match for Christmas pudding," says Jesús. "The only problem is that most creams are quite mediocre." But not all of them. Equipo Navazos has been lucky to bottle a couple of extraordinary releases of beautiful, very old cream: La Bota de Cream 19 Bota NO and La Bota de Cream 38 Bota NO. Jesús says they're all but sold out, though a few bottles might still be available somewhere. Alternatively, La Bota de Palo Cortado, La Bota de Oloroso or

La Bota de Amontillado are "excellent meditation wines to slowly sip while reading a nice book during the Christmas holidays".

## SPRING

There are multiple different types of sherry, each with its own flavour profile. Some are sweet, others are dry. Once winter has gone and the plants start to bud, Jesús can't think of anything better than Fino and Manzanilla. "What comes to mind is a few pieces of tuna, sea bass and salmon sashimi together with a chilled glass of Manzanilla en Rama," he says. 'En Rama', if you're wondering, means 'raw', with very little tinkering between cask and bottle. ♦♦





## SUMMER

"I'm quite sympathetic towards people who enjoy topping their vanilla ice cream with sweet PX," says Jesús. He's referring to Pedro Ximénez, the white Spanish wine grape that is integral to many sherries. "Summer makes me think of South-East Asian food," he adds. "Try a spicy Thai curry with a glass of bone-dry Amontillado."

## AUTUMN

Inspired by memories of wild mushrooms, Jesús recommends La Bota de Fino Amontillado 45 Montilla or La Bota de Manzanilla Pasada 50 Bota Punta. "You don't need to spend a fortune," he says. "Explore, taste, compare, and slowly give shape to your own personal preference."



Fly Ryanair to Jerez

# K

is for...  
**KAYAKS**

**Forget gondolas and speedboats – the newest way to travel Venice's famous (and not so famous) canals is by kayak, says Jamie Trendall.**

Remember the first time you watched *Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade*. In it Indy smashes, bashes and crashes through Venice searching for the Holy Grail. I fell in love with the city in the movie. But it's only today, 25 years later, that I've made it in person.

It's wintry but sunny as my wife and I disembark the *Alilaguna* ferry. Our to-do list involves visiting the city's iconic attractions like the Basilica di San Marco, the Doge's Palace and the Torre dell'Orologio at St Mark's Square, as well as eating a lot of pasta and ice cold gelato. It also includes doing as Indy as did and riding in one of the famous wood-panelled ➔

Ah Venice. Even Indiana Jones didn't get to explore the city like this

