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● **Fashion TV**
Next in Fashion with Tan and Alexa starts on January 29, and Making the Cut, aka the new Project Runway, is on later this spring. Binge watching, but make it fashion



● **Kidulthood**
London's hippest new hotel opening is Treehouse, where everything is imagined through a child's eyes: sleeping bag throws and teddy bears in bedrooms for all



● **Nighty Night**
Has finally reached the iPlayer! The best way to spend January is with Jill

● **Scooter glutes**
Unexpected advantage of all those incidental lunges done by the annoying dad on the school run. Who's laughing now, eh?

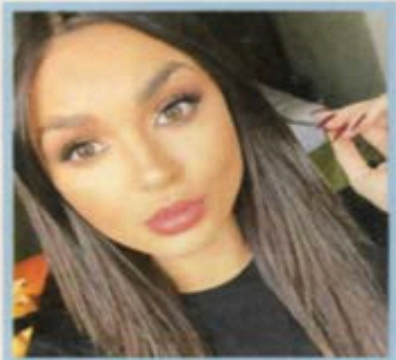


● **Metropolis**
The cult 1927 film clearly on everyone's mood board for spring/summer. If in doubt, think silver

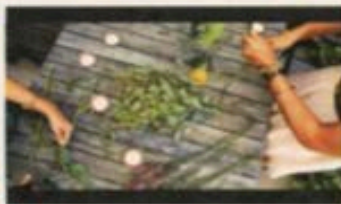
HEATING UP

COOLING DOWN

● **Parenting courses**
All about grandparenting workshops now, where nana and pops learn how to behave in their 'new roles'



● **Highliner**
When you draw a line of highlighter directly above your lips. Like a sheeny-shiny moustache



● **Glass-blowing**
Had its moment in the sun. This year it's competitive flower-arranging, thanks to new Netflix show The Big Flower Fight



● **Two-tone hair**
It's like 2003 and All Saints never happened, guys

● **Vegetable ice cream**
Strawberries with hidden carrots or chocolate with hidden cauliflower? Not on our watch



MRS MILLS

Answers your questions

BENEFITS OF ASS

I read that ass's milk is good for the skin, getting rid of wrinkles and keeping it soft, which of course must be why Cleopatra bathed in it. Is this true, and should I start using it for my Saturday evening bath time?

EG, Esher

There is some evidence to suggest that ass's milk, which in fact comes from donkeys, does have some benefits for the skin, but it reportedly took 700 donkeys to produce enough milk for Cleopatra to take a dip. There are some commercially produced creams made from donkey's milk that you might find more practical to try.

SHEEPISH QUESTION

Can I keep a sheep as a pet? I love their woolly coats and like the idea of having one to wander about in the garden. We've got a couple of cats and three guinea pigs, so I'm no stranger to animal care.

GF, Norwich

You can keep a sheep as a pet, but you'll need quite a big garden — they eat a lot of grass — and don't expect it to lie next to you on the sofa in the evenings when you're watching telly, as they are notoriously difficult to house-train.

MIDLIFE CLICHE

One of our friends has been dumped by his wife. His reaction has been to have a continuing series of much younger girlfriends. He's in his late forties; they are invariably twentysomething. We all know these relationships aren't going to last, but he is deaf to our expostulations. Why can't we make him see what a hideous cliché of midlife crisis he has become?

DF, by email

He's probably perfectly aware of what a cliché he has become, but, honestly, do you think he cares?

GROOMING NOW

Do I have to match my lipstick to my nail varnish?

GS, by email

Only if you live in Idaho, or 1955.

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