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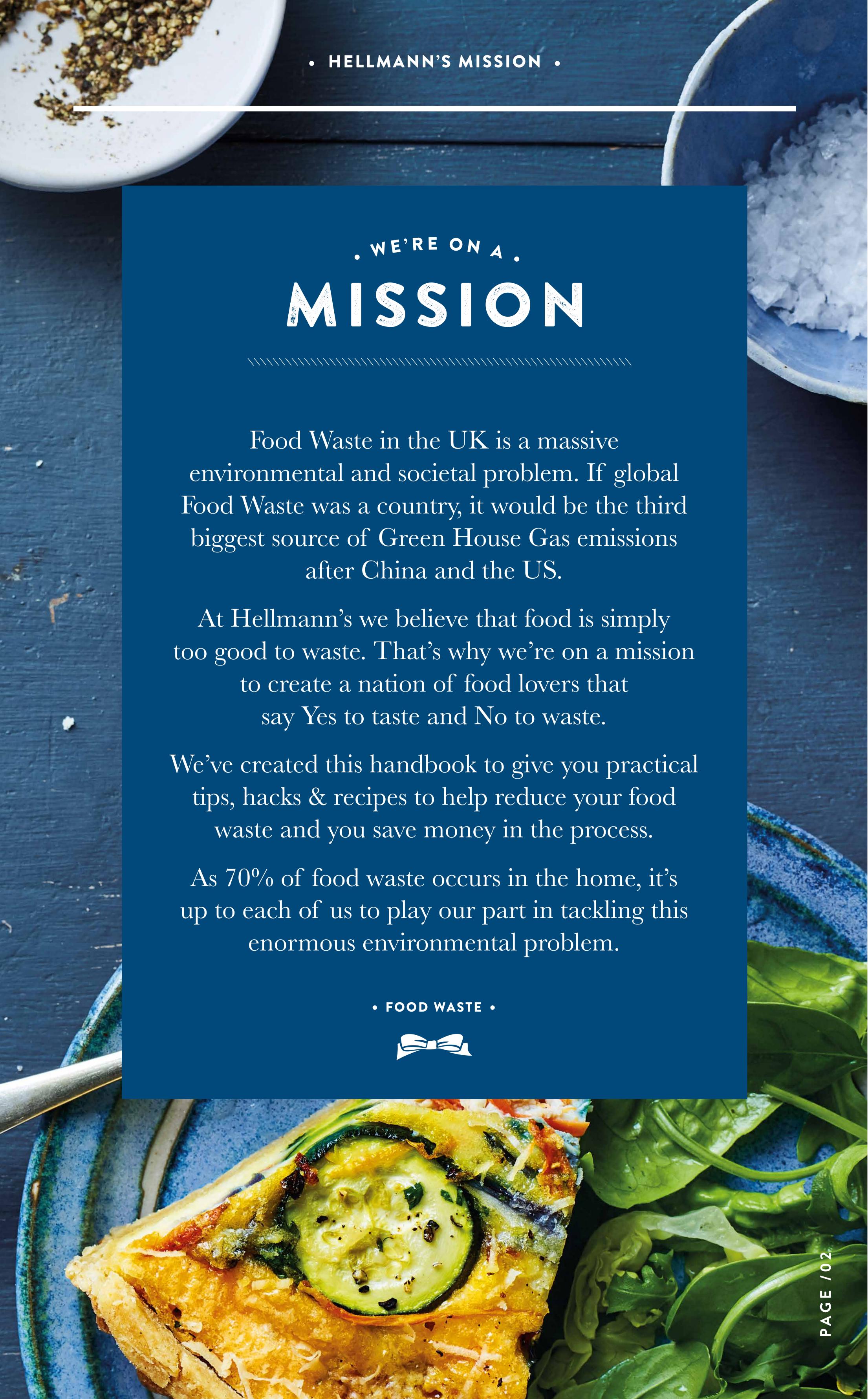


OF FOOD WASTE HAPPENS AT HOME

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TONIES
OF FOOD
IS WASTED
IN THE UK
EVERY YEAR

IN GAGS
SHOPPING
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. BACK TO .

Let's get back to basics.

There's a few really simple things you can do to ensure that there's less waste coming from your household.



. STARTING.



. THE BASICS

While 70% of people check their fridge before going food shopping, half forget what's in there once they get to the supermarket. Taking stock should be at the top of your agenda when you're planning your next shop.



DON'T DOUBLE UP

See what you already have at home before your food shop. Don't buy things you already have.



KEEP TRACK OF YOUR FOOD

The back of cupboards can act like vacuums.

Be sure to keep an eye on which things go off soonest and move them to the front. Putting things in clear tubs is handy too – it's like a constant reminder of what food you have left to use.







SHOP WISELY

As enticing as bulk food deals may be, steer clear of them if you're not going to realistically eat it all.

. KNOW.

Every year, around half a billion pounds worth of food is thrown away from homes linked to a Best Before date – that's 180,000 tonnes. We need to chip away at this mountain of waste, and knowing the difference between 'use by' and 'best before' is half the battle.



USE BY

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Refers to your safety.

It's the biggie. You must not eat food that's past this date.



BEST BEFORE

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Refers to quality.
This one is a judgement call. Food after this date may not be at its best anymore but should still be safe to eat for a few more days.



. USE.

Only a third of us refer to on-pack information about whether food can be frozen. Those that do, know it doesn't just reduce waste, it's convenient too. Win-win. We should all be doing it more.

GET INTO THE HABIT OF HAVING FREEZER BAGS HANDY AT HOME. THEN YOU CAN:



FRUIT

Pop your fruit in them (almost all of it can be frozen) and store in the freezer.

Grab a handful the next time you make porridge or a smoothie.

CHEESE

Grate up cheese, stick it in a bag and sprinkle away for pizza night or for your lunchtime toastie.

CHICKEN

Cut chicken into thin strips, freeze them laid out on a tray, then pack into a bag. The main ingredient of your next stir-fry sorted.

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Keep track

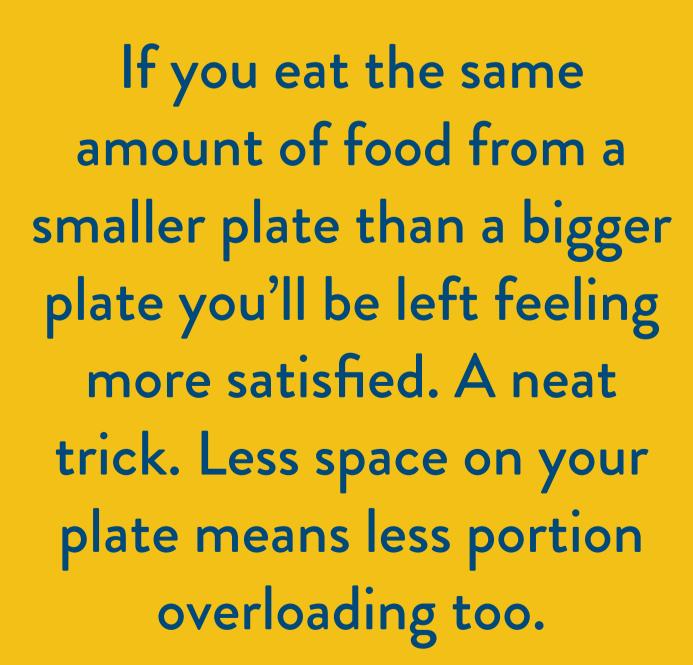
. PORTION .

A Danish survey showed that if the plate size is reduced by just 9%, the food waste can be reduced by over 25%. We've all been guilty of eating with our eyes.

A couple things we can all try:



USE SMALLER PLATES





SET ASIDE LEFTOVERS BEFORE YOUR MEAL



Cooking for more than just one mealtime?
Portion out tomorrow's lunch before you sit down for tonight's dinner. You'll find it easier to stop eating once there's no more food on your plate.



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Looking for ways to make your life easier in the kitchen? You're in luck. We have a pair of nifty cooking methods that will do just that.

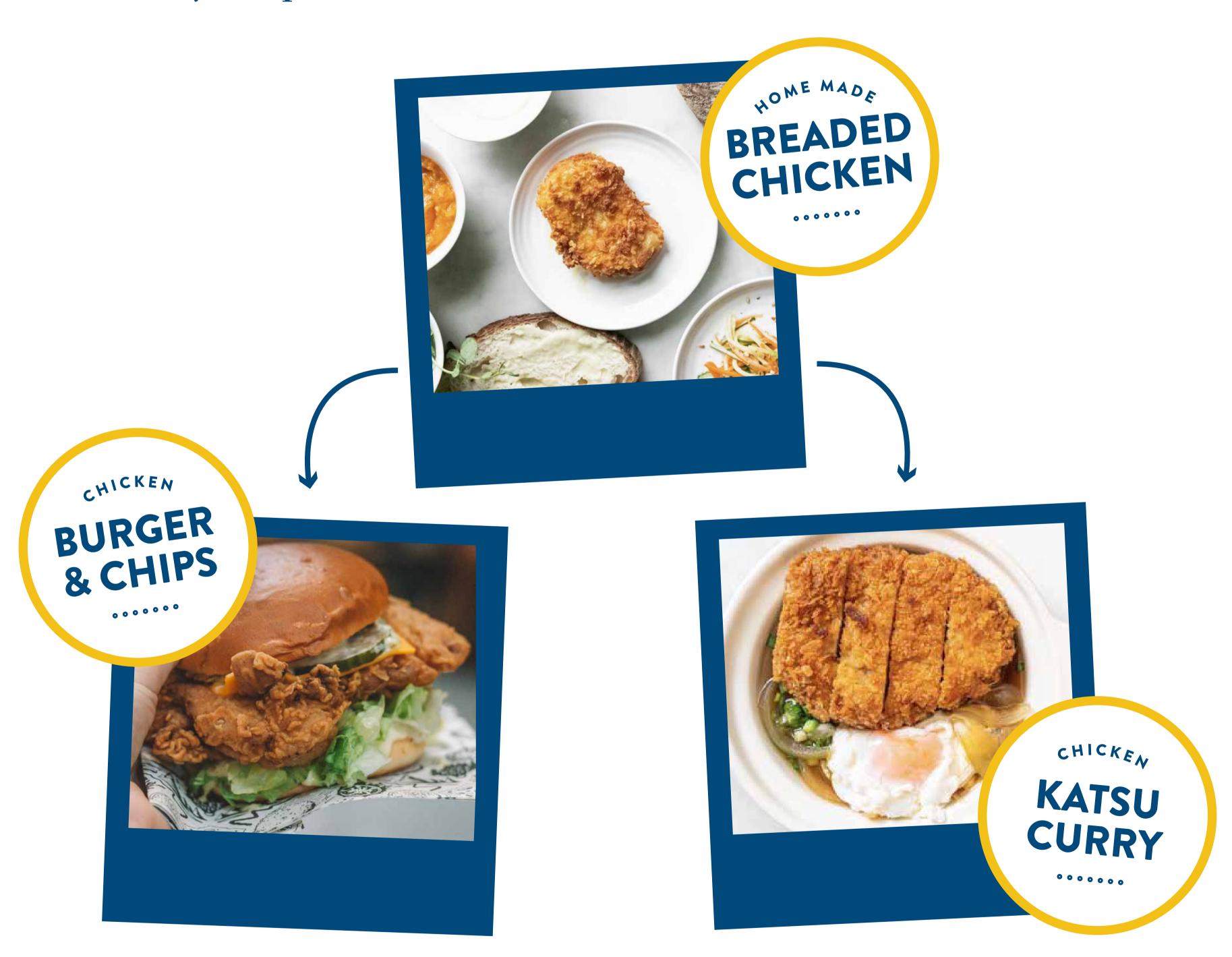




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Not only will this cut down on your spending, but it'll cut back on how much you waste and the time you spend in the kitchen. What's not to love?



The idea here is to use a limited set of ingredients, turn them into two hugely enjoyable, different meals, and save yourself time and money.

All it takes is a centrepiece – like homemade breaded chicken or roasted aubergine – adapt it slightly and voila.



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A little inspiration to get you going:



BATCH COOK CENTREPIECE

MEAL 1

MEAL 2

- Homemade Breaded Chicken
- Chicken Burger & Chips
- Chicken Katsu
 Curry

- Homemade Baked Beans
- Cajun Bean Stew
- Breakfast Shakshuka

- Classic Beef Ragu
- Mexican Burrito
 Bowl
- → Cottage Pie

- Tray Baked Chicken
- Spicy Chicken & Cauliflower
- Zingy Chicken
 Salad

- Roasted Aubergine
- Aubergine & Halloumi Pie
- Pulled Aubergine
 Taco

- Roasted Lamb Joint
- Classic Lamb Roast
- Hearty Lamb
 Curry

- Baked Salmon Fillets
- Pesto Salmon
 Pasta Bake
- **→**
- Summer Salmon Salad





. ONE POT .

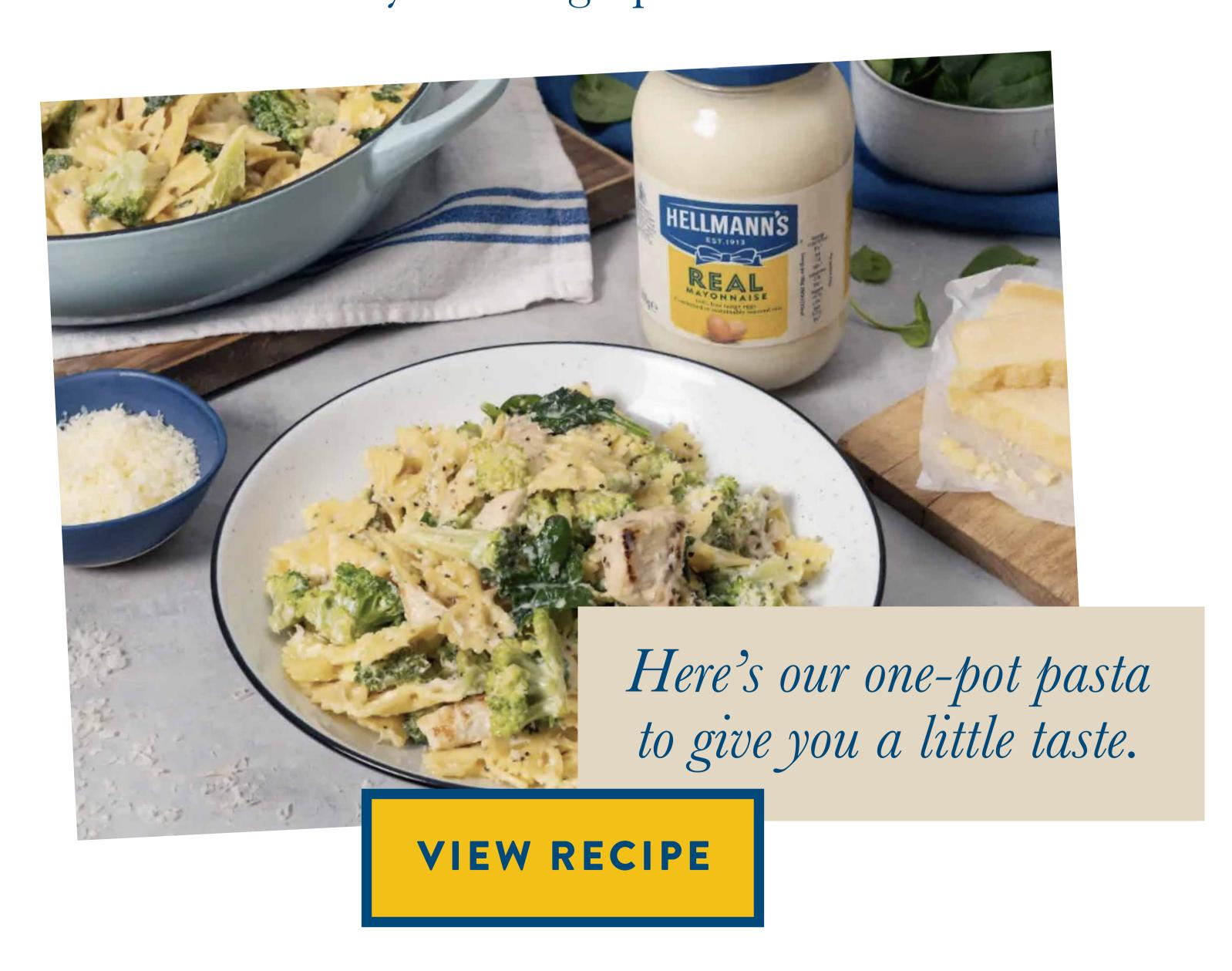


HASSLE-FREE, FLAVOURFUL MEALS

All you'll need here is, you guessed it — one pot.

This is the ultimate in simple yet delicious cooking.

Whether you're making a quick mid-week meal, like a pasta one-pot, or you're going the distance with a slow-cook chilli, the end result will be a hit. Any leftovers you can pop in the fridge and come back to. The best part? There'll barely be any washing up to do.





	MEAL
202	Sundays left over lasagne
	Rissotto, use the green beans and mushrooms in the fridge.
WED	Defrosted Salmon, new potatoes & broccoli, cheese sause.
DHL	Thai green curry - defrost chicken breasts.
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SAT	
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Putting together a weekly menu not only gives you meals to look forward to, but it's another great way to reduce food waste.

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EAL ER

Mondays are perfect for using up any leftovers you have from the weekend. Cooked up a roast on Sunday? Finish it off, with pleasure.

Go with our 'Batch Cooking' method during the week and rustle up two meals with one hero centrepiece. That's Tuesday and Wednesday ticked off.

Thursday's a good time to see what you have left in your fridge and kitchen cupboards. Round it all up and throw together a meal. Turn to our one-pot meals for some ideas.

We all love ordering food in on a Friday night, but before you do, just double-check what food you still have at home. There's always Saturday for your favourite takeaway!

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TIPS FOR USING UP THE UK'S MOST WASTED FOODS

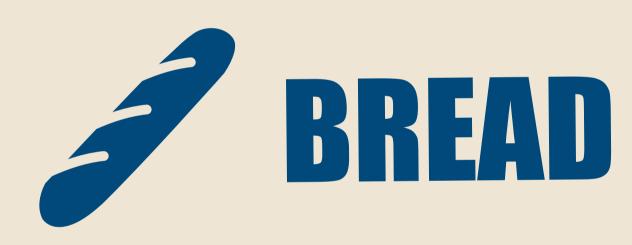
REWARD: BOUNTIFUL SAVINGS



Mushy and ripe bananas are ideal for baking, heat berries in a pan with honey or sugar to make a lush compote, turn your apples into sauce to go with pancakes or your next pork roast.



Bubble & Squeak (who says it's just for Christmas!) is a great way to use up literally any veg you have lying around. Chop, fry, and throw in an egg or two if you're feeling adventurous!



Don't worry if your bread goes stale, it'll make the perfect breadcrumbs & croutons which you can use for crunchy coatings and toppings.



Use your pestle and mortar and bash salad leaves into a pesto with some nuts and olive oil, or blitz and turn into a light soup with other greens like cucumber and avocado.



It can easily deceive, so give it a little taste before pouring it down the sink as it might still be fine, and if it's a tad sour you can still use it for pancakes.





DR RUPY'S LEFTOVER.



SERVES 4 15 MINS



INGREDIENTS

- 400g leftover cooked pasta
- Around 100g leftover cooked vegetables, chopped
- 4 large free-range eggs
- 2tbsp Hellmann's real mayonnaise
- 60g parmesan
- 1tbsp olive oil
- 8-10 sun-dried tomatoes
- Fresh basil, to serve

METHOD

- 1. Preheat your grill to 200c
- Beat the eggs with Hellmann's real mayonnaise and half the parmesan.
 Stir in leftover pasta and vegetables, breaking apart with a wooden spoon if necessary. Season to taste.
- 3. Heat a tablespoon of oil in a medium sized frying pan on a medium heat. Add the pasta mix, lightly pressing down so that the pasta is evenly distributed. Cook for 4-5 minutes until the bottom is set and lightly golden.
- 4. Place tomatoes on top and sprinkle over the remaining cheese. Place under a hot grill for another 3-4 minutes or until the egg is set and the cheese is bubbling.
- 5. Tear basil over the frittata and serve in slices, warm or at room temperature, with a green salad.

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QUESADILLA PIE







INGREDIENTS

- 3 wholemeal tortillas
- 2 tbsp Hellmann's real mayonnaise

- Around 150g leftover chicken, shredded
- Around 150g leftover cooked vegetables (kale, carrots, broccoli), chopped into bite-size pieces
- 4 spring onions, sliced
- ½ punnet cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 1tsp hot smoked paprika
- 100g cheddar cheese, grated
- Coriander, to serve
- Lime, to serve

METHOD

- 1. Preheat the oven to 200c
- 2. Mix the chicken and vegetables together with the spring onions, tomatoes and smoked paprika.
- 3. Lay the first tortilla on a baking tray and lightly coat with Hellmann's real mayonnaise.
 - Top with 1/3 rd of the chicken and vegetable mix and scatter over 1/3 rd of the cheese.
 - Press down lightly and repeat this process twice more to layer up the tortillas.
- 4. Bake the pie for 20 minutes until the top is browned and cheese is bubbling.
- 5. Serve the pie in wedges, dress with coriander and a squeeze of lime.

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BUBBLE & SQUEAK CROQUETTES

SERVES 4

15 MINS



INGREDIENTS

- 400g leftover cooked potato and parsnip, mashed
- 200g leftover cooked cabbage or kale, chopped
- 4 tbsp Hellmann's vegan mayonnaise
- 100g panko breadcrumbs
- Vegetable oil, for shallow frying
- 1tbsp olive oil
- Hellmann's vegan mayonnaise to serve

METHOD

- 1. Mix the mashed potato and parsnip with the greens and 2 tablespoons of Hellmann's vegan mayonnaise.
- 2. Roll the mix into 16 5cm ovals and brush with the remaining mayonnaise on all sides.
- 3. Roll the croquettes in panko breadcrumbs so they are evenly coated.
- 4. Place a frying pan on a medium high heat and add vegetable oil to cover the bottom of the pan. When the oil is hot, fry the croquettes until evenly golden and crisp, around 2 minutes.
- 5. Carefully remove the croquettes from the pan and allow to drain briefly on absorbent kitchen paper.
- 6. Serve the croquettes with Hellmann's vegan mayonnaise

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SWEEDISH STYLE MEATBALL SUB

SERVES 4

15 MINS



INGREDIENTS

- 4 stale sub rolls
- 400g lean pork mince
- 40g breadcrumbs, made from leftover stale bread
- 2 tbsp Hellmann's light mayonnaise
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- Handful of leftover dill & parsley, finely chopped
- 6 gherkins, sliced into strips lengthways
- 1tbsp red currant jelly
- Hellmann's light mayonnaise, to serve

METHOD

- 1. If your sub rolls are past their best, refresh by holding under running water for a few seconds and placing in a 180 oven for 5-10 minutes until warm and soft again.
- 2. Mix the mince with the breadcrumbs, onion, finely chopped herb stalks and Hellmann's light mayonnaise until well combined. Season to taste.
- 3. Roll into equally sized 4cm (30g) meat balls, you should have 16 in total. Heat a non-stick frying pan on a medium-high heat and cook the meatballs on all sides, turning occasionally for around 5 minutes until they are cooked through.
- 4. Once the meatballs are cooked add the red currant jelly, allow it to melt and glaze the balls. Remove from the heat.
- 5. Split the sub rolls in half and spread the lower half with Hellmann's light mayonnaise. Layer the sliced gherkins on top followed by the meatballs, 4 per sandwich. Dress the meatballs with some of the redcurrant jelly glaze and plenty of dill. Serve at once.

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With all that food for thought, there's only one thing left to do: start your very own journey, making incredible food, and wasting less while you're at it.

In just a few steps you'll be making a real difference to how much food you throw out. It's as easy as 1, 2, 3.

Do the basics. Take stock of your food, know the difference between 'best before' and 'use by' dates, start using your freezer, and control your portions.

Adopt one – or both – of our 'Smart Cooking' methods, whatever works for you and your lifestyle. They'll soon become trusted kitchen companions.

Start planning your meals. It's a great way to find your own personal foodie groove and keep tabs on what you have at home to cook with.

. RECIPE .

























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