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# The Green Parent

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## Summer OF LOVE

Why festivals are great for kids!

**WIN FAMILY TICKETS TO SIX FESTIVALS**

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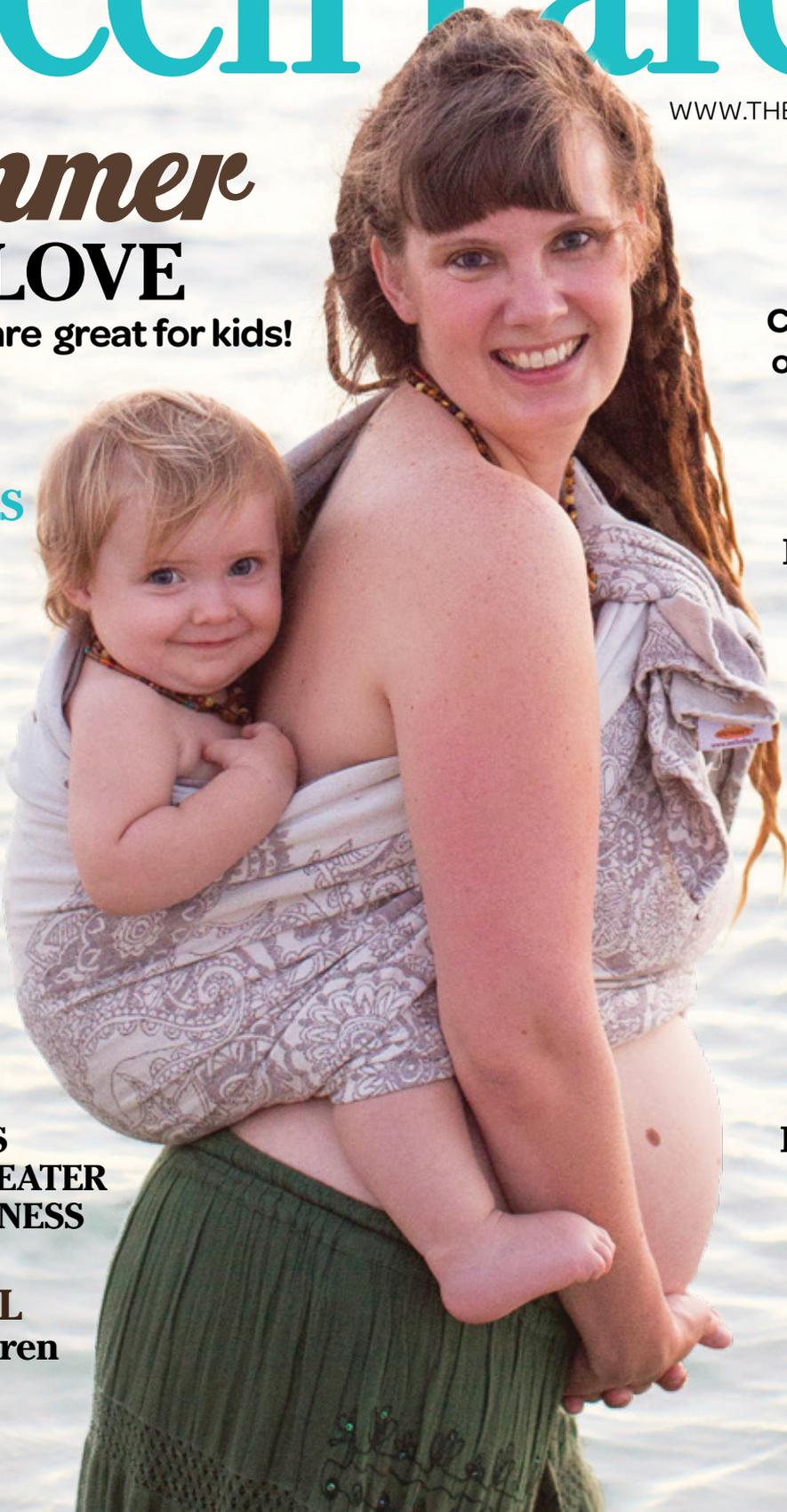
*'We're planning to have our second boat baby in New Zealand'*

THE FAMILY THAT LIVES AT SEA

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**52** WEEKS TO GREATER HAPPINESS

**SLOW TRAVEL**  
Italy with children



## FEED A FAMILY

Could you manage on £100 a month?

## TINY HOUSE PROJECT

How to declutter and make more of your space

### HOW TO

- Give Up Sugar
- Honour Birth
- Celebrate the Solstice

**The Right to be Rude**  
Parenting Teens

*Make It!*  
Great craft projects



*Father's Day*  
Give an outdoors  
experience on  
21 June

## A GIFT OF SKILLS

Buy a voucher for woodland skills courses at [woodlandskillscentre.co.uk](http://woodlandskillscentre.co.uk) in the Clwydian Range Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Denbigh, Wales. You can get Woodland Skills Centre vouchers to give as presents. These can either be for a specific course or for a particular value



to be used for any course so the recipient can make the choice. Try spoon carving, an introduction to bee-keeping, bushcraft skills or charcoal burning.

# CELEBRATE DAD

LOOKING FOR AN INSPIRING Father's day gift? What about a straw bale building course at Ty Gwyn Farm in mid Wales? Owners of Ty Gwyn, Anthony and Margot Porter, have recently built a two bedroomed straw-bale cottage. Anthony knew that the settlers had built straw bales houses when moving out west to

Nebraska in the 1800's. Unable to afford any other buildings they had made their houses out of straw bales and they still stand today. 'We wanted to build an environmentally friendly building using natural resources that would fit into its surroundings,' he explains. 'There are enormous benefits

to buildings made of straw, the first is obviously the insulating properties, secondly the costs are cheaper than conventional materials.' The couple now lead courses in straw-bale building at their eco farm in mid Wales. This one day course will look at all the aspects of the building, location, planning and building regulations. Anthony will then cover the actual build from foundations upwards. He will also talk about the lessons

learnt along the way and some of the special requirements of this type of construction. He will explain the methods of applying the lime mortar and its unique properties that need to be taken into consideration. There will also be a demonstration of building the straw walls so you can see first hand how it works. Afterwards, why not stay on site – see the full range of accommodation at [tygwynfarm.co.uk](http://tygwynfarm.co.uk).

## Presents for Dad



**Bath oil for tired muscles**, £33.33, [michelinearcier.com](http://michelinearcier.com)



**Sturdy and smart Resuable Cup**, £19.99 [sarah-jaynes.com](http://sarah-jaynes.com)



**Indonesian Gold Dark Chocolate**, £2.99 [ethicalsuperstore.com](http://ethicalsuperstore.com)



**Gentlemen's Body Wash**, £9.75 [phbethicalbeauty.co.uk](http://phbethicalbeauty.co.uk)  
**Reactive caffeine shampoo**, £10.75 [alvanaturalskincare.co.uk](http://alvanaturalskincare.co.uk)