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TOAST THE SEASON

COCKTAILS, CANAPÉS...
IT'S CHRISTMAS!

DEAR SANTA...

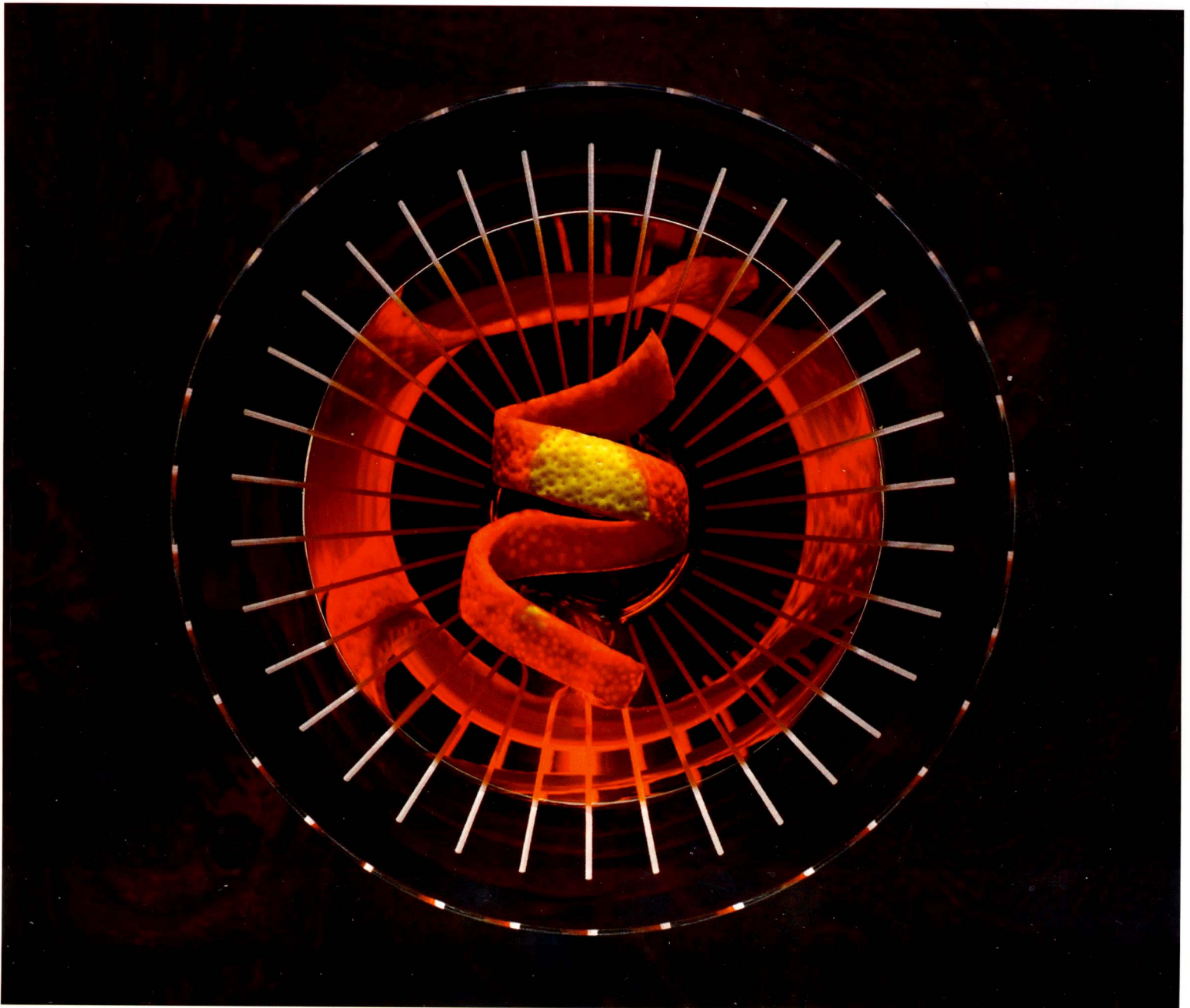
PERFECT PRESENTS
FOR PICKY PEOPLE

DECK THE HALLS

REVEALED: 2013'S
TREE-TOPPING TRENDS

GOLDEN GROOMING

BE PERFECTLY PREENED
FOR THE PARTY SEASON





COCKTAILS Don't want the fun to end? Mix up some happy hour cocktails and drink and dance well into the early hours. Our classic cocktails were mixed by David Beatty, brand ambassador from Ketel One, using Ketel One vodka, Ciroc vodka and Don Julio Blanco tequila. For tips, recipes, gift ideas and to buy any of the featured spirits, visit www.alexanderandjames.com

Bullet Cocktail Shaker, £27.50, David Mellor; **Robert Welch Rushan Stainless Steel Bowl**, from £25, John Lewis; **Essence by Litalia glass**, £13 (www.skandium.com); **Aarne by Litalia glass**, £12.50, Skandium; **LSA Boris Tumbler**, £24 for a box of two, John Lewis



SEASONAL STYLE

When it comes to throwing the perfect party, style is just as important as sustenance: we show you what to serve, and how to serve it

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SET STYLING SARAH McNABB
FOOD STYLING ANN HALL

TO START The perfect dinner party finger food looks the part and whets the appetite for what is to come. Try classic seafood like oysters and ceviche, which are light, delicious and never fail to impress. *Our canapés came courtesy of Bentley's Oyster Bar & Grill, 11-15 Swallow Street, W1B (020 7734 4756; www.bentleys.org) and were served with a glass of Nyetimber Classic Cuvée (see page 56)*

Jasper Conran for Wedgwood Pinstripe Oval Platter, £65 (www.johnlewis.com); **Discipline Roule Tray** By **Pauline Deltour**, £111 (www.heals.co.uk); **S/4 Silver Rim Champaign Flutes**, £36 (www.blackorchidinteriors.co.uk); **Petal Tabletop Lamp**, £650 (www.keirtownsend.com); **Eclectic by Tom Dixon Form Bowl**, set of five, from £65, Heal's; **Richard Brendon Patterntery Reason 30cm Coupe Plate**, £70, Heal's