



## **CRACKING CHRISTMAS AT THE GROVE | 26-27 NOVEMBER AND 3-4 DECEMBER 2010**

*Two exclusive Christmas weekend masterclasses with McQueens florists and Channel 4's 'Cake Boy' Eric Lanlard*

*August 2010:* In the run up to Christmas, The Grove ([www.thegrove.co.uk](http://www.thegrove.co.uk)) in Hertfordshire is the place to be. Over two weekends (26 – 27 November and 3 – 4 December), experts from McQueens florists and renowned chef pâtissier, Channel 4's 'Cake Boy' Eric Lanlard, will pass on all their know-how and insider tips, with two masterclasses on festive flower arranging and cake decorating with a Christmas twist.

This year, The Grove will be home to a Russian Christmas – created by McQueens and inspired by the Moscow skyline and culture: rich, decadent and jeweled, with bold colours and oversized babushka dolls being used to set the scene. Guests will learn how to recreate this look for their own homes through a hands-on introduction to flower arranging from McQueens - The Grove's in-house florists.

Eric Lanlard has his own Channel 4 series *Glamour Puds*, is twice winner of Continental Pâtissier of the Year at the British Baking Awards and the premier cake-maker for celebrity clientele including the Madonna, Claudia Schiffer and Elizabeth Hurley. Join Eric as he shares his expert advice, top secrets and his personal tricks of the trade in decorating the perfect Christmas cake.

Anouska's – The Grove's OFSTED inspected kids club, will be on hand to keep the children entertained as they create Christmas gifts and cards in their very own masterclass – expect lots of glitter, sparkle and snowflakes.

**THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS AT THE GROVE – FROM £285 PER PERSON\***

**From 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> November and 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> December**

The Perfect Christmas includes:

- One night's accommodation on a bed and breakfast basis in a West Wing Superior Room, based on two sharing
- A masterclass with McQueens Florists on flower arranging
- A masterclass with Eric Lanlard on cake decorating

\*Prices for single occupancy start from £410 per person

Places on the masterclasses that are not filled by residents of The Grove will be available to non-resident guests priced at £85 each per person per workshop. For further information visit [www.thegrove.co.uk](http://www.thegrove.co.uk)

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