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Welcome to 2011 and many exciting changes at Campbell's Store, Morpeth.

Forget-Me-Not & Morpeth Bears on the first floor of Campbell's Store are on the move. When you next visit you will find Forget-Me-Not has moved downstairs to the ground floor.

In the wood section you will now discover:

Willow Tree Figurines

New for 2011 and now in stock are 'You're the best! Angel', 'Sunshine Angel', \$30 each. The Quilt Figurine, Welcome Home Figurine, Home Figurine \$50 each.



Willow Tree Figurines – You're the Best, holding an apple and Sunshine, with her basket of sunflowers.

Momiji Dolls

Momiji are message dolls, dedicated to making life lovelier. Inside each one there's a teeny folded card for your own secret message, dream or wish. The Momiji story began in 2005 in Henley in Arden, England (a little village famous for its ice cream). From here they've become truly global with designers creating lovely stuff all over the world. Momiji also love collaborating with top art colleges which means we work with the most creative new kids on the block. 'Spread the Love'.

For Your Valentine (at any time of the year) are a limited edition set of two hand numbered dolls **Plu & Pia**, \$40 just 2,500 pieces worldwide. Designed by Linnea Borjesson, a web designer born and raised in Sweden. Her true passion is illustration and she gets her inspiration from, 'children's books and staring blankly into space'.

Each Momiji has certain likes and loves. The new 'Lilian, likes the full moon, sleeping in & Tokyo.' Turn her upside down, take out the little piece of paper and write your heartfelt message on it, before you wrap her up to gift. \$20.

Just in case you're wondering – we have brought Bree downstairs too! So she is still there to help with your gift choices and cut your beading....



Momiji Doll "Lilian" \$20.

Matryoshka nesting Dolls from Russia.

Shirley & Kylie saw many of these sets whilst visiting St Petersburg and Moscow late last year and can now confirm that we have some of the best, right here at Campbell's Store, in a glass cabinet near the Jam Pantry counter. Kylie hand selects every one of these sets for you. They make great gifts too, for people of all ages.

Now found in the Jewellery/Giftware section downstairs are:

Miss Rose, Sister Violet range of beading, lace and braids by the metre/motif, velvet flowers and a soft romantic yet glamorous shabby chic range of giftware to go – glasses cases, purses, toiletry bags, shoulder bags, door stops, scented cushions, cameo & other brooches, scarves, bookmarks to name a few.



Gingerlilly PJ's

Women's and men's PJ's never looked or felt so good. Women can choose from a variety of long and short cotton or silk pants teamed with sleeved or tank tops, satin & silk slippers. Men's PJ's combine long pants or shorts with comfy stretchy T-Shirts for a great nights sleep. Packaged in a matching gift box they are priced from \$50.

Dept.56 Patience Brewster Quirky Figurines & Ornaments and Cavellini & 'The Right Note' Stationery (journals, jotters, address books, writing papers, correspondence cards, notelets, gift cards/tags, postcards, magnets) ranges have relocated to Morpeth Gallery.

Morpeth Bears have relocated to the ground floor of Morpeth Gallery.

Your children are most welcome to call into the Gallery to say hello to the big bear and the snoring bear. Janelle, Kerrie & Sue will be there to greet you. Steiff, Hermann, Gund, Merrythought, Settler & Charlie Bears (and more than a few gollies), have all released exciting new ranges for 2011 & the team look forward to introducing them to you. Morpeth Gallery is also the home of Grug Books, written & illustrated by the Hunter Regions Ted Prior.

Charlie Bear "Hunter" coming very soon! He's the first to arrive, of the limited edition Isabelle Collection for Australia.

Mohair Limited Edition of just 200 pieces worldwide.
Isabelle Collection 2010-2, Non UK Exclusive Edition.

Hunter is a big boy with beautiful mohair, light and pale rusty gold tones. He wears a collar with bells around his neck and has big sculptured paws and little ears. He's like that little baby you always wanted to cuddle. He will plead to come home with you.

The Isabelle Collection of bears are a range of limited edition designs, made in mohair and created exclusively for Charlie Bears by famous Teddy bear artist Isabelle Lee. Many are panda style bears as this is what Isabelle is famous for. The bears are fully jointed and most have unique wobble joints, which add to their appeal and make them easy to pose and cradle in your arms. A Certificate of Authenticity is included with all Isabelle Collection bears and they are presented in a calico bag.

Price: \$520. He should be here by the time you receive this newsletter. Limited quantity – be quick!

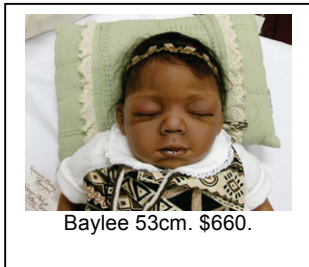


Hunter is a big boy at 41cm.
He's beautiful. \$520.

Gods Little Reborn Angels

These extremely realistic baby dolls are created for Morpeth Bears by Maitland based artisan Cathy Brady. The reborn doll story began around 1990 when doll enthusiasts took store bought dolls, then hand painted them and gave them real hair, so they resembled human babies. These baby dolls were described as being born – again. Depending on the doll used they can range in price from the hundreds to thousands of dollars.

Traditional vinyl Berenguer baby dolls are still the most popular used today, with limited editions highly sought after. A vast variety of silicon-vinyl doll kits have also been created for 'Reborners' to use in the quest for a realistic human baby result.



Baylee 53cm. \$660.



Iloria 50cm. \$550.

Each one of Cathy's babies is completely hand painted and detailed taking many, many hours to create. Dozens of layers of painted are applied and heat set between each layer. Like humans every one is an individual with subtle differences in skin tones, hair (mohair/human or painted), eye colour, expressions & weight. Cathy dresses her babies in beautiful baby outfits. They are authenticated by the body label or hospital tags & a certificate of authenticity.

Cathy makes her babies from 10 inch 'Preemies', to the popular 16-22 inches (newborn real size), right up to 26-42 inches – the size of a real toddler & 5-6yr old child. Dolls are available for either the collector or child alike, making them a wonderful quality heirloom doll to love and treasure for many years to come. Cathy is delighted to take special orders too. You might like to have your doll resemble you as a baby, or one of your children. These little reborn angels may also fill the void of a lost child and assist mothers in the grieving process, bringing comfort and peace back to their lives. Shirley has one ready to gift to her new grand daughter on her Christening Day. It's gorgeous.....and oh so real!



Jacob 48cm. \$550.



With all this movement, you might be wondering what's happening upstairs? Maureen in 'The Nut Shop' is definitely staying, with all of those delicious nuts – roasted, salted, sugared, choc coated, vegetable crisps & dried fruits.

The other seven rooms will be leased out to tenants – you might like to be one of them! It's a great lifestyle. Tenants might wish to take a small 22sq metre space, or add spaces together to create an 80sq metre space. These rooms would be fabulous for up and coming or established artisans & crafts people, antiques & bric-a-brac, a show space for photography or art... anything really. So if you've dreamed of starting up a business in Morpeth, with relaxed opening hours, please give us a call and speak to Trevor or Kylie. The rooms on the first floor of Campbell's Store will be leased through Leah Jay, Greenhills, East Maitland.

Morpeth & Maitland 2011 Calendar of Events.

Your copy of What's On in Morpeth & Maitland for 2011 has been included with this newsletter. We kick off this year's events with the Morpeth Gallery annual 'Festival of Two Palettes' Weekend 12th & 13th March. It's a very relaxed, informal weekend, where you can drop in and have a chat to the artists whose work is featured in both the Landscape & Wildlife wings of Morpeth Gallery. It's a celebration of the art palette and the food palate.

Many of these artists will be painting at their easels, so you can appreciate the various techniques that go into creating the original artworks you see on the walls.

There will be 10 original artworks to give away over the course of the weekend, valued at between \$350 & \$2,000 each. To go in the draw all you have to do is spend \$25 or more, in one transaction, anywhere within the Campbell's Store Complex, on the Festival of Two Palates Weekend (excludes the Servant's Quarter's Tearoom). You will receive a coupon to go into the box at the top of the Gallery Landscape Wing staircase.

Food tastings will be held downstairs in Morpeth Gourmet Foods, featuring Nicholson Fine Foods Range of award winning products.

Nicholson Fine Foods Finishing Vinegars

Peter Nicholson established Nicholson Fine Foods in June 2002, at Yamba on the north coast of NSW. Peter's background is as a chef with 30 years experience in Australia, Switzerland and France. Peter has developed an eclectic range of innovative food products for chefs and home cooks. His products are multi award winning, including 28 medals Australia wide & in UK during 2010! All products have medal stickers on them to help recognise quality. Peter also has a website with easy to follow recipes, there are recipe suggestions on every bottle too. As you would expect each product is made using the highest quality ingredients – it's what makes them taste so good. We'd like to share this with you and indulge your palates over 'Two Palette's Weekend'.



Fruit Finishing Vinegars

These wonderful vinegars have balanced acidity with full natural fruit flavour. They are designed to be used at the end of cooking, to dress, garnish and season food. They have a slightly thick texture so when used, they cling to foods and can be used for plate swirl garnishing. This means when dressing a salad you no longer need to use oil to balance the acidity or add texture of a dressing. Just do as the label suggests: Splash it on!



Peter Nicholson

With two national champion trophies and many gold medals, unique flavours include: Italian style Sweet Black Cherry, Blood Plum, Summer Mango, Hibiscus Flower, Spiced Raspberry & Euro style Spiced Beetroot. They are divine with meats roasted or cured, salads, seafood, cheeses and fruit. Splash, drizzle, deglaze, mix with icecream/yoghurt... 265ml \$18.

Belgian Chocolate Mousse

These multi award winning dessert mousses are egg and gluten free. Simple to make, just add water, stir for 60 seconds and fold through your choice of dairy, either thickened cream, Greek style yoghurt or ricotta cheese. Mousse flavours need a few hours to integrate, but if you can't wait, eat it straight away. It can also be frozen and served as icecream or half frozen as an Italian style 'semi freddo'. They make a great pantry staple just waiting for the special dinner party, family function or a gourmet treat anytime! One pack makes approx. 700mls or enough for 6 serves. There's a recipe card in every pack. Classic, White or Dark Mousse avail. \$15.



Hibiscus Flowers

12 plump hibiscus flowers in a jar with vanilla sweet/sour syrup sauce. The flavours of the hibiscus are hints of plum, raspberry, rhubarb & watermelon. Pour the syrup & place one in the bottom of each champagne flute, sparkling wine or even a gin or vodka and tonic. It makes for a spectacular looking drink. Use the syrup and flowers to garnish sweet roasted meats like duck, chicken, lamb or pork. Serve as dessert with vanilla icecream, fresh fruits, pancakes, cakes or chocolate mousse. 250ml. \$15.

Bio Burger

The Bio Burger is Vegan, Vegetarian & Non Vegetarian, free from egg, soy and gluten. It's low in fat, salt, GI and is high protein. It's all natural organic and biodynamic, with dried legumes, grain, vegetables, herbs and spices, stone ground and environmentally packaged. Just add water and its ready to make burgers, sausages, rissoles and stuffing's. Every pantry needs two of these! Each 400g Bio Burger serves 8. \$15 each.

How do you use it?

*Burgers or patties grill or pan fry. *Burger Balls (falafel style). *Vegan & vegetarian sausages.

*Stuffing for rolled lamb & pork, whole chickens & turkeys. *Unique gluten free crumb coating for vegetables, meat & fish.

*Meatloaf & scotch eggs. *Natural binder for meat products. *Thickener for soups, casseroles & stews.

The recipe suggestions are very easy to follow, for example:

Add hot water to the dry burger blend, stir & rest for 10 minutes. Add a measured amount of fresh grated vegetables and minced meat (beef, lamb, pork or chicken). Stir again, form into patties or sausage shapes and shallow fry until golden brown on both sides.



We look forward to indulging your Two Palette's over the weekend of 12th & 13th March 2011. See you then,

Hygiene & Flavor