



**Community  
Southwark**

## Ethical Shopping Guide

A guide to the ethical shops, local businesses and entrepreneurs and social enterprises selling a whole range of exciting products and services:

### Southwark based:

- [Baldwins](#) – not entirely a social enterprise but a local institution selling all sorts of health products.
- [Bermondsey Community Kitchen](#) – if you need catering for a Christmas party or other event BCK work with 16-24 year olds to help unemployed locals gain a relevant level 2 professional cookery City&Guilds Diploma, with the view of gaining full time work in the catering industry. The food is delicious!
- [Bermondsey Microbrewery Tour](#) – again not strictly a social enterprise but a good local gift none the less.
- [Brigade Bar and Bistro](#) – based in Southwark (on Tooley Street) they help homeless individuals develop skills and motivation to find employment. When you pay your bill, you help the apprentices transform their lives. Gift Vouchers are available.
- [Buy Social Gift Guide](#) – a part of the Buy Social Campaign led by Social Enterprise UK, listing all sorts of gifts from Social Enterprises.
- [Dragon Café](#) – Not just a café but a creative space providing simple, affordable, healthy menu each week, and a wide range of creative and well-being activities, all of which are free and open to all.
- [Ganesha](#) - one of the most well-established fair trade shops around. Stocking reclaimed silk scarves by [Coral Seed](#), vegetarian soap by [One Village](#), party plates made from 100 per cent biodegradable leaves, bags made from rice sacks, as well as colourful bunting made from old silk saris and more. Based at Gabriel's Wharf.
- [Old Spike Roastery](#) – Peckham based coffee shop with bags of coffee for sale, they provide expert training, housing and a job that will hopefully be a stepping stone to long term employment for local homeless people.
- [Papi's Pickles](#) - homemade dishes and fresh pickles using seasonal, local, organic and Fairtrade ingredients for street food markets, events and pop ups. They work with unemployed South Indian and Sri Lankan women and to help build a fairer food system for all.

- [SE Storehouse](#) – SE Storehouse is a social enterprise, inclusion and employability charity based in South East London and is associated with Pecan. There is Pop-Up shop in November, selling beautiful, affordable, innovative, and witty lifestyle pieces from their own range as well as providing a platform for local makers and artisans to sell their work. At prices that range between £2 and £200, everyone can afford to come, browse and buy!
- [Southwark Brewing](#); [The Kernel Brewery](#); [Anspach & Hobday](#); [Four Pure](#); [Partizan Brewing](#); OK so not officially social businesses but some local breweries worth supporting.

## Surrounding Borough's:

- [Accumul8](#) - chutneys and jams sold at local craft fairs: Preserves with a Purpose pay for creative workshops at the North London YMCA hostel
- [Aduna](#) - Africa-inspired health & beauty brand and social business. Their mission is to create demand for under-utilised natural products from small producers in rural Africa.
- [Alive and Kicking](#) - make durable sports balls in Kenya, Zambia and Ghana, keeping adults in employment, helping children play, and raising health awareness through sport.
- [Art House Meath](#) - a Surrey-based social enterprise operated by the Meath Epilepsy Trust. Works produced by the ARTHOUSE artists, the majority of whom experience severe epilepsy, are widely available through retail outlets and at exhibitions. The organisation also runs its own shop in the centre of Godalming.
- [Be Super Today](#) - An online marketplace that charities and other social enterprises can use to sell their products and services to the general public.
- [Bike Works](#) - deliver their mission through a variety of community cycling programmes including employability for disadvantaged groups, all ability cycling, bicycle ReUse & recycling, schools cycle training and much more. As a business they provide cycling services to both consumers and organisations.
- [Café of Good Hope](#) - café aims to provide financial assistance to the Jimmy Mizen Foundation, a place of work for local young people as well as be a community hub for Hither Green.
- [Clarity](#) - A range of high quality, indulgent toiletries and bath products. They provide employment and training opportunities to change the lives of blind and disabled people.
- [Cock Pit Arts](#) – an incubator for artists with facilities to buy some of the artists products from the website or from the studio
- [Eco Everyday](#) - creates ethical promotional gift items for offices and personal use
- [Fikay Eco Fashion](#) - ethically handmade up-cycled fashion accessories that help support educational projects in the communities where they are made.
- [Good Beans](#) – a Community Interest Company (CIC) that aims to support the communities growing and thriving around them, using their brand to promote and engage consumers

with the good work of the organisations the partner with, such as the Jimmy Mizen Foundation.

- [I am acrylic](#) – young entrepreneurs' hand making beautiful jewellery. Not a social enterprise but worth supporting a small business.
- [Jamie Oliver's Fifteen](#) – This restaurant offers apprenticeships based on on-the-job learning (65%), college work and personal development. Apprentices increasingly work directly in the restaurant, taking it over completely for a week at the end of their year. You can book a table or buy gift vouchers.
- [Lenique Louis London](#) – hand-made jewellery designed and made by Lenique who is also working towards opening a charitable/social enterprise aspect of the business.
- [Mazí Mas](#) - In case you don't fancy catering the next big get-together, here is a pop-up restaurant that showcases culinary talents and diverse cultural heritages of migrant women in London.
- [Nilare](#) - handcrafted accessories and gifts made in Africa.
- [My Jamii Café](#) – a café working with young people in South East London to see them have the opportunity to train, work and reach their potential through a café that serves amazing coffee and is a hub of the community.
- [Project Jelly](#) - Started in London 2012 by Natalie Collier as a Charity initiative, now a Global children's brand leading the GIVING movement in British Footwear - in collaboration with JuJu. Their premium Jelly Footwear is now stocked on over 14 Countries with 20% of all our profits to Children's Charities. In 2015 they are supporting Great Ormond Street Hospital Charity.
- [Rubies in the Rubble](#) - Delicious, handmade chutneys and jam, made as much as possible from surplus fruits and vegetables, fresh from farms and markets before they're discarded.
- [Tatty Devine](#) - totally independent British company designing and micro-manufacturing original jewellery in the UK. Not a social enterprise but a small London based business.
- [The Jaunty Flaneur](#) - Shoe polish artisans and purveyors of fine accessories for gentlemen, delivering the finest shoe care and creating opportunities for those seeking to return to work
- [The Lewisham Card](#) - a new initiative to help support the amazing local independent businesses in the London Borough of Lewisham whilst saving you money. Every pound you spend in local small businesses, 63p circulates back in to the local economy as opposed to only 40p in big multinationals.
- [The People's Supermarket](#) – a Community Interest Company (CIC) supermarket in Holborn.
- [This Because](#) – An online shop that promotes brilliantly designed products that do good for our environment and for our society. They can also be found in a pop up shop in Brixton from 30<sup>th</sup> November – 6<sup>th</sup> December 2015.

- [Wolf & Moon](#) - handcrafted jewellery label created by British artist & designer Hannah Davis. They try and source the majority of our materials from Britain and Europe. It is important to us to support other independent businesses, so a lot of time and care is undertaken when looking for new material stockists. The wood we use is FSC approved, and all off cuts (as well as other waste products) are recycled.
- [Women Worldwide](#) - sell women made jewellery, scarves, bags, homeware, bath and body under fair trade practices. The women are highly skilled, make beautiful products but lack the resources to reach a wider market; this is where we assist. They support empowerment projects such as education, training, mentoring and leadership for women and girls

### Further Afield:

- [B-AMAZING](#) - a small skincare business with a social conscience – a Community Interest Company (CIC). They donate 3.44% of all our profits to the Natural Beekeeping Trust, which promotes bee awareness.
- [Basha](#) - exists to provide secure employment for women at risk and survivors of trafficking and with the employees' children too, ensuring the cycle of poverty and victimisation is broken. Based in Bangladesh, you can buy products from the following stockists: [Basha Creates](#); [Best Years \(wholesale\)](#); [Decorator's Notebook](#); [Fleet](#)
- [DesignosaurYEAH](#) - a Brighton based small business run by the designer/makers. Jewellery and other accessories often with a dinosaur theme!
- [Divine Chocolate](#) – the only Fairtrade chocolate company which is 44% owned by cocoa farmers.
- [Elvis & Kresse](#) - Luxury, high-fashion bags, belts and lifestyle accessories. Products are made from waste that would otherwise go to landfill (including old British fire hose), and 50% of profits are donated to charities such as the Fire Fighters charity.
- [From Babies With Love](#) – beautiful baby wear and toys which support orphaned and abandoned babies to live in SOS Children's Villages.
- [Global Seesaw](#) - the online shop and retail trade space for Freeset Ltd and is the UK distributor for Freeset Bags, Freeset T-Shirts, Sari Bari and Love Calcutta Arts. A social enterprise with the aim of creating sustainable employment for women who have been trafficked into prostitution.
- [Hello DODO](#) – a Brighton based design couple with a small business doing prints and bits and pieces. Not a social enterprise but as a small business they do work with theatres to design posters etc.
- [Just Buy](#) – a directory consisting of products and services that can be supplied by Social Firms and Emerging Social Firms to anywhere around the country.
- [Nalu](#) – for every piece of clothing you buy, they buy a child a school uniform
- [Natural Collection](#) – an online shop selling all sorts of ethical and fairtrade goods. In order for a product or brand to be sold by NaturalCollection.com, it must have established ethical

credentials in at least one of the following areas: Fair Trade; Organic; Eco Friendly; Health and Wellness promotion; Education and awareness building; Locally Produced; Charity.

- [Not on the High Street](#) – not strictly social enterprise but a great website from which you can buy from 100's of creative small businesses.
- [One Foundation](#) - Household products (including a fridge jug and hand wash). Profits from products sold are used to develop similar projects in Africa – e.g. profits from bottled water used to fund water pumping systems.
- [Pants to Poverty](#) - an experiment that proves how fashion can change the world for good by bringing you pants that are beautiful from cotton to bottom!
- [Run Native](#) – shopping website including jewellery, homewares, chocolate etc.
- [Shake the Dust](#) - an ethical design brand, which sources, commissions and sells hand-made, luxury homeware and accessories. Products are created by both designers and artisans in the UK and also those who live in regions with less access to markets and opportunities to connect to customers.
- [So Just Shop](#) - brings together and supports small, creative, women-led artisan businesses from throughout the world, enabling you to browse and shop for contemporary, high quality and unique products all in one place and to discover the stories behind the women who made the product.
- [The Dartington Hall Trust](#) – a charitable organisation based in an historic hall and 880 acre estate near Totnes in south Devon. LandWorks is a work-based training scheme, working with prisoners and ex-prisoners to help them acquire the social and employability skills they need to achieve success in stopping offending. You can buy some products online.
- [The Lost Lanes](#) - Operating with the strict ethos of listing small, independent brands based in the UK using their popular mantra #MadeByPeople. As well as working to disrupt the high street they query whether the brands they were working with were ethically sourcing their wares. As members of the Ethical Fashion Forum. The Lost Lanes are working with other like-minded enterprises to build a stronger community and make a real change.
- [The Wine Society](#) – a co-operative designed to supply good quality wines at fair prices. As a cooperative, the majority of the Wine Society's Board of Directors is elected by the membership. Members are also able to attend a range of events such as wine-tastings.
- [Toms](#) – for every item sold, Toms give something for example when you buy shoes, they give a pair to a child in need; when you buy eyewear they purchase sight-saving surgery, prescription glasses or medical treatment for someone in need etc.
- [Trip Scout](#) – if you happen to have bought a trip to Washington DC, Philadelphia or San Francisco you can download this app. They donate 10% of revenue, and dedicate a significant portion of our time, to help fund and drive awareness to inspiring causes around the world

## Markets

- [Crafty Fox](#) - local designer/maker markets held in various locations with one in Peckham this year at the [Bussey Building](#) over the 12 and 13<sup>th</sup> December.
- [Draper Estate 'Winter Lights Festival'](#) – Festive market and other events taking place at the Draper Estate in Elephant & Castle over Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Organised by the Draper Estate TRA.
- [Horniman Museum](#) – as well as Farmer's markets throughout the year over the 5 and 6<sup>th</sup> December there will be a Christmas Market at this fabulous Lewisham based museum
- [Pexmas](#) - local designer/maker markets held in various locations across Peckham including a Christmas fair on 12<sup>th</sup> December in 'a park in Peckham'
- [Southbank Centre Charity Shop Emporium](#) - participating charities in the emporium include Headway East London, Trinity Hospice, YMCA England, Terrance Higgins Trust, British Red Cross, The Salvation Army, Sue Ryder, Mind, Traid, BlingYaBike, The Community of Reconciliation and Fellowship, PDSA, SE1 United, Rainbow Trust and All Aboard Shops. Taking place over Saturday 12, Sunday 13, Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 December
- [The StockMkt](#) – night markets for designer/makers and food, held across London with a one in Bermondsey Square
- [Wonderhill](#) – organise markets across the UK to help support and promote local shops and designer/makers

\*\* For a full list of registered social enterprises see the City of London Social Enterprise Directory

We will do our best to keep this list updated. So if you run a social enterprise, particularly in Southwark, let us know at [development@communitysouthwark.org](mailto:development@communitysouthwark.org) and we will add your organisation/products to the list.