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BAGS Arm candy

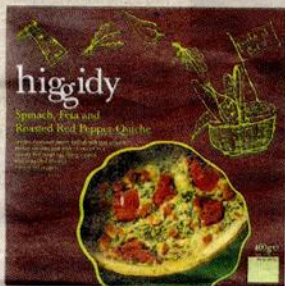
Colourful and sweet, just like their lollies, Chupa Chups' new range of bags has been created to celebrate the company's 50th anniversary. The bags, decorated in fruit and flower motifs, come in colours that are good enough to eat, such as choco and strawberry. The bags are priced at £34.99 each; matching purses are also available (www.totally-funky.co.uk).



SUPPLEMENTS Stick teas

Fans of green tea can now get their antioxidant fix in a cold drink by adding a "stick" of Teavigo - £12 for 15 - to water (www.teavigo.com).

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FOOD Case in point

Make mouths water with Higgidy's range of quiches. Stuffed with one of three yummy fillings and encased in crunchy pastry, these quiches promise not to go soggy on you. Priced at £3.79 each, they are available from Sainsbury's, Budgens and Boots (www.higgidy.co.uk).

MOTORS Red devil

Ferrari's new car looks stunning; and though we know very little about it (it will be launched at the Paris Motor Show in October), we've been told that it gets from 0-60 in "under four seconds". As a general statement it seems to ooze a carefree two-fingered salute to the eco-troopers. Price: tbc (www.ferrariworld.com).



MENSWEAR Cotton on

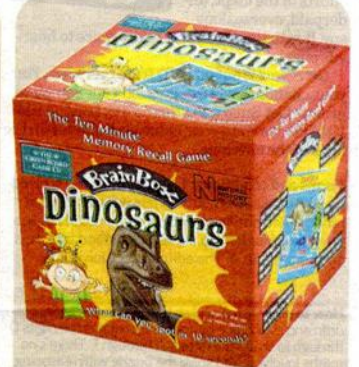
Whether you dress it up with a jacket or down with jeans, this floral shirt will inject some much-needed colour into your outfits as the summer days fade away. Plus, because it's made of 100 per cent cotton, it'll keep you cool and feel great. The shirt, priced at £85, is part of designer Simon Carter's new collection. Call 020-7240 9456 or visit www.simoncarter.net.



TECHNOLOGY What's up, dock?



Don't be deceived by the Fusion iPod dock by Intempo. While it may look sleek and compact, its powerful speakers mean that it can blast out music with the best of the big hi-fis. And it's even got a remote control. Available in September, priced at £99 (www.intempodigital.com).



GAMES In the roar

Have fun with a clear conscience with this board game, Discover Dinosaurs. It is made by the Green Boardgame Company, whose ethos involves using recycled materials wherever possible. The memory-recall game will test your brainpower and is sure to be a hit with dino-enthusiasts. Priced at £25.50 (uktrade.greenboardgames.com).

BEERS Becks-tra special

Billig all beer-drinking art-lovers: Beck's has just released a collection of beers with limited-edition labels, designed by four young up-and-coming artists from the RCA, the bottles are available in outlets nationwide and cost £5.25 for a pack of six (www.becks.co.uk/canvas.aspx).



PHONES Wild style

With its groovy zebra-print design, the Alcatel V212 is an eye-catching mobile phone that won't hurt your wallet. At only £14.99, you may not be able to surf the internet, but it does have a large colour screen as well as in-built FM radio. Available on prepay from Woolworths stores nationwide and on their website, www.woolworths.co.uk.

