



# *Foie Gras* **Torture in a Tin**

**Fortnum & Mason supports the notoriously cruel foie gras industry, in which ducks and geese are force-fed until their livers become painfully diseased and enlarged and, in some cases, their internal organs rupture.**

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**Harvey Nichols** stated that it will no longer sell foie gras.

**Selfridges, House of Fraser** and all major supermarket chains refuse to sell foie gras.

**Foie gras (or “fatty liver”)** is made from the grotesquely enlarged livers of ducks and geese. Force-feeding begins when the birds are between 8 and 10 weeks old. For 12 to 21 days, ducks and geese are subjected to force-feeding every day; up to 2 kilograms of grain and fat are forced down the birds’ throats through a feeding tube. Males are most commonly used for foie gras because they produce larger livers. Female hatchlings are often drowned, beaten or crushed to death.

**Foie gras production** is so cruel that it is prohibited in more than 15 countries, including the UK. Celebrity chef Wolfgang Puck refuses to serve foie gras in any of his restaurants. Giles Coren, *The Times*’ food writer, said of foie gras: “It’s a lazy, lazy way for a half-competent chef to make his food seem flash”. The majority of Britons believe that foie gras sales should be banned. Prince Charles has banned foie gras from his royal residence, and Pope Benedict XVI has denounced its production as cruel. Consumers around the globe have demanded the removal of foie gras from stores and restaurants. Sir Roger Moore is boycotting Fortnum & Mason until the company stops selling foie gras.

**Despite all this** as well as requests from PETA, Fortnum & Mason has refused to discuss ending the sale of this disgusting product.

## What You Can Do

- **Visit [PETA.org.uk](http://PETA.org.uk)** to see our newest videos and to learn more about the campaign.
- **Contact Fortnum & Mason** and urge them to stop selling foie gras:  
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- **Speak up!** If you see foie gras on a restaurant menu or for sale in a shop, please have a word with the manager and politely explain why you object to the sale of foie gras. Ask that it be removed from the menu or the shelves.
- **Contact PETA** for a free copy of PETA’s vegetarian/vegan starter kit.
- **Support PETA’s vital work** by making a donation via our secure online donation page at [PETA.org.uk](http://PETA.org.uk). A donation made to PETA today can help save and improve the lives of countless animals tomorrow.



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