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nyone for cucumber sandwiches? No, us neither. But if you're talking candy-coloured macarons, nibble-size tarts and dinky pots of pudding washed down with Prosecco, count us in. Once an upper-class antidote to the post-lunch slump, afternoon tea is now a celebratory indulgence and a chance for pastry chefs to show off their creative chops. So put on your best Mary Berry face and get ready to extend a delicate fork towards these pretty-as-a-picture platters.

[Booking is advisable]

TEA FOR SHARING

Daffodil Hotel and Spa, Grasmere

As in: hi everyone, see what I'm eating while you're slaving at work. All afternoon teas are designed to be easy on the eye, but we think that the vibrant creations of the Daffodil's pastry chef will have Instagram addicts whipping out their phones. £22.50 (015394 63550, daffodilhotel.co.uk).



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