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**EASTBOURNE COOK
DESIGNS A DISH FOR
HILLIER GARDEN CENTRE**



We can announce the winner of our 'Design a Dish' competition. Derek Mepham, from Heathfield, East Sussex, won the competition with his Roast Vegetable Tagine with Couscous. The dish appeared for the first time on the specials board of Derek's local Hillier coffee shop, Café Pine at Eastbourne, on the garden centre's official launch on Friday March 11.

Derek said: "I'm thrilled and privileged that my dish will appear on Hillier's specials board. When I designed my dish I wanted to make something that was accessible to all. Many of the fresh ingredients in my dish can be grown in even small gardens, so I hope you will be inspired to try it for yourself."

Hillier's Catering Manager, Richard Gorman, said: "Derek has designed a truly tasty dish, which fits perfectly with Café Pine's daily lunch specials, which all draw inspiration from seasonal produce, as well as customer requests. We also cater for those with more of a sweet tooth, with a range of speciality teas and coffees, cakes and pastries, including two firm favourites, the Hillier Apple Pie and Afternoon Cream Tea."