

Meet and greet *The perfect market*

Markets, eh? Who would have thought that those hoary old relics – forged in a time when a shopping trolley was more than an icon on a screen – would still be so alluring? Over the past few decades we've seen more and more redevelopments that have spurred urban regeneration and offered spaces for older businesses to thrive and younger ones to try out new models. What's more, they're meeting points – places in which to discover, dine and delight. It may seem counterintuitive but the easier it is to order food online, the greater the craving for the hustle and bustle of markets has become.



Our ideal market

1. Mixes fresh produce with ready-to-eat treats and has seating indoor and out
2. Exists for locals as much as tourists
3. Is open all day, from coffee to cocktails
4. Makes the most of an old shell and revives a neighbourhood
5. Errs on the side of independent stalls
6. Is card-compatible but cash is king
7. Has a tight-knit band of traders
8. Has various stalls and a range of rents