

Paul Hollywood

Artisan Baker Author TV Presenter Motivational Speaker Event Host



The son of a baker, **Paul Hollywood** originally trained as a sculptor before his father persuaded him to join the family business. He went onto become head baker at some of the most exclusive hotels, including Cliveden, The Chester Grosvenor and The Dorchester, gaining a reputation as an innovator and one of the country's finest artisan bakers.

Following his apprenticeship and hotel work, Paul took the opportunity to travel extensively through Cyprus, Egypt and Jordan, visiting remote villages to discover ancient techniques for baking bread. On his return to the England, he launched the Paul Hollywood Artisan Bread Company.

Paul began his media career on Carlton Food Network and Taste in 2002 where he co-presented two TV series with James Martin.

Paul has been a judge on *The Great British Bake Off* and *Junior Bake Off*, and has judged celebrity versions for *Sport Relief* and *Comic Relief* alongside Mary Berry. In 2017 Paul will follow the show to Channel 4 where he is joined by Prue Leith, Sandi Toksvig and Noel Fielding. His series *Paul Hollywood's Bread* was broadcast in the UK on BBC2 in March 2013, Pies and Puds on BBC2 followed in 2014 and he has just completed series two of Paul Hollywood's City Bakes for Food Network.

As well as baking, Paul's other love is cars and he has presented a number of programmes on the subject, most recently Paul Hollywood's Continental Road Trip for BBC2. In his spare time he can be found at a race track racing for his beloved Beachdean Aston Martin team.

In 2005, he published a best-selling book 100 Great Bread' which has been published in ten countries and seven languages and was voted 'Top Bread and Pastry book' by the Gourmand Academy. His second book 'How to Bake', was published in summer 2012 and quickly went on to the top of the bestseller lists. The book to accompany his Bread series came out in February 2013 with his Pies and Puds book hitting shelves in October 2013 to coincide with the programme of the same name. Paul Hollywood's British Baking came out in October 2014 and The Weekend Baker was published in 2016. His latest book, A Baker's Life, will be out in Autumn 2017 and will accompany a Channel 4 primetime show of the same name.

Paul makes regular contributions to *The BBC Good Food Magazine*, *Olive Magazine*, *Waitrose Magazine* and has written for *The Observer*, *The Telegraph* and *The Daily Mail*.

Paul has demonstrated extensively up and down the country most recently for the Good Food Show series, CarFest and at Chatsworth House.

In 2014 Paul undertook his first live tour, *Paul Hollywood* – *Get Your Bake On!* which saw him hosting an evening of live baking at theatres across the country.

Paul has a range of products which include part-baked breads, kitchenware and baking mixes. His 'grab & go' sandwich shop Knead is due to open in Summer 2017 at Euston station.

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