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Create a Stir



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We all know that what you wear sends a statement about who you are, but who knew an apron could say so much? No literally, these <u>aprons</u> by the talented mix -media artist <u>Stephanie Wilkinson</u> say a lot!

And it's not just aprons doing the talking, there are oven gloves and a bag to match! We were tickled by the <u>Create a Stir</u> range, which gives recognition to the role of mothers by listing the everyday tasks mothers do from 'label uniforms' and 'find the hairbrush' to 'make love', (not that we are suggesting this is a chore!). You will find yourself mentally ticking them off as you read them.

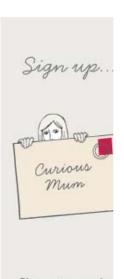
Stephanie, a mother of 3, first started thinking about the concept while undertaking a fine arts degree. As a full-time mother she was "getting quite cross about the values society places on work inside the home" after repeatedly being asked what she did and was fed up of having to "justify her existence". So as a witty response she started an autobiographical list on her whiteboard of exactly what she 'did' and that's how the range began.

We love the honesty of the list, the items are certainly a conversation starter, one to bond us mothers together and perhaps open the channels of debate with our partners about 'sort recycling', 'plan holidays' and 'clean the bathroom'?!

After thinking about all the tasks you have been doing you might need to destress, well luckily the lovely Stephanie also teaches art classes and can give 1 to 1 or group tuition in: coal sketching, colour mixing, acrylic painting or mixed media. How therapeutic — after all you know she can empathise with our daily woes!



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