





Store windows changed daily to showcase different products, including elaborate displays, such as fruit, pies and tinned meats 'for unexpected guests'. There was very little print advertising in this period.



Our food marketing focused on quality, freshness and technology, explaining how this makes our products better quality. We ran short film adverts at cinemas but these mostly featured clothing rather than food.



From the 1950s, in-house designer Charlie Wilkinson designed packaging for various products, from biscuits to tinned vegetables and soups. Some of these designs have been re-used on food packaging and bags for life in recent years. Charlie worked for M&S into the 1980s, creating designs for wine labels, flower bulbs, bubble bath and more.



St Michael FOODS

# 1960s

Photography started to feature more in our advertising and our in-store visual merchandising.



Innovations in food at this time were mainly around convenience, making foods quicker and easier to prepare whilst still being high quality and tasty.

11 oz (311g) NET



This selection of packaging and advertising demonstrates the range of design techniques being used in this period.



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#### 1990s

'Quality, Value and Service' slogan featured in advertising, in-store décor and carrier bags. St Michael branding was used on the highest quality goods from 1928, then on all goods from 1958. The St Michael brand was phased out in 2000.



This is not just food... this is M&S Food. A series of TV adverts focusing on specific products launched in 2004 showcasing the Melt in the Middle Chocolate Pudding and Oakham Chicken. This campaign ran until 2010 and was brought back in 2019 with a twist – highlighting the way the original campaign became embedded in the public consciousness.

Wholemeal Bread Goat's Cheese Roast Tomato Lettuce Spinach Soft Cheese Onion Chutney Red Peppers Wholemeal Bread

Farmhouse Bread Herb Sauce Lettuce Smoked Salmon Crème Fraîche Cracked Pepper King Prawns Farmhouse Bread

Dark Rye Bread Emmental Gherkins Sauerkraut Mustard Dressing Pastrami Dark Rye Bread

The ultimate sandwiches for the ultimate lunc



The ultimate sandwiches for the ultimate lunch







#### 2010s

The Ultimate Sandwich campaign ran in 2013, highlighting the variety and quality of M&S sandwiches.



This is not just food... this is M&S Food was relaunched in 2019 with a new campaign, this time the focus was on the way customers interpreted the iconic strapline and advertising in everyday life. The 2017 Spend it Well campaign aligned food and clothing marketing for the first time.



Adventures in... first appeared in 2014 and continued to run until 2016. This campaign used visually striking photography and film to celebrate the creativity, craftsmanship and passion behind M&S Food.



# OUR BEST EVER STEAK PIE

...because it's handcrafted with slow cooked tender BRITISH beef, traditional gravy and all butter pastry







# 2010s

Our Best Ever range, launched in 2018, is a range of classic family favourite dishes, developed by M&S chefs and made with the finest ingredients.



Discover exceptional prices on hundreds of products, all with the M&S quality you can trust. This is not just value. This is Remarksable Value.





M&S potatoes are from Select Farms we know and trust 2

> South Lincolnshire potato grower, **Simon Day**, works on a farm that's supplied M&S since the 1970s and that prioritises sustainable farming practices like using food waste to produce energy.

> > RE MARKS ABLE VALUE every day



#### 2020s

In late 2019 M&S launched the ReMarksable Value range, highlighting everyday prices on food staples and challenging the customer perception of M&S Food as being more expensive. Prices were further reduced and the range was focused to products that were bought more frequently, like bread, milk and a selection of fruit and veg.



# Crispy & Fluffy TRIPLE COOKED CHIPS









# 2020s

Current food ranges include Taste Buds for children, Made Without products designed for people with dietary requirements, Plant Kitchen vegan convenience food and M&S Collection – our premium range. Each product line has its own branding and visual identity.