

Read all about it – The top 10 Blogs I love to read

My top 10 Blogs I love

(Plus a few others because they're all just so fab!)



I had a mention by 2 super amazing bloggers today in their blog posts.

[Katy at Hot Pink Wellingtons](#) and

Yvonne at Double the Monkey Business.

(you can read their posts by clicking on their names above).

I was really taken aback by them and it's so lovely to know that your peers love what you do, and to see it in writing. As someone who isn't very confident (until I've had some Gin that is), moments like this mean an awful lot. So thank you ladies for your kind words and I'll raise a glass of something wet and alcoholic to you both later...probably (definitely) beginning with G.

Hot Pink Wellingtons

[The super Katy blogs over at Hot Pink Wellingtons.](#) She is so lovely and is a married mummy to a little boy called Max, who happens to be super cute.

Katy loves all things beauty, interior and gardening (with a little bit of Gin loving thrown in there too – smashing!). She is a super photographer too with an eye for a good snap, her [instagram](#) page is really lovely if you fancy checking it out.

One of my favourite posts of Katy's is this one about [books for baby's who don't like to read](#). It really resonated with me as my middle one went through a phase of hating me read to him and I thought I was the only one to have this problem! It would appear not, and Katy has some super solutions if you also have a tot who hates being read to. She has a super section devoted to [decor](#) on her blog which I love...if only my kids weren't trashing my house!

Do head on over to her page and check it out!

I've mentioned the lovely Yvonne from Double the Monkey Buisness in my post below.

And 1 more makes 3

The blog, [And 1 more makes 3](#) is written by a lovely lady called Leah.

She is a married Mummy to 3 children and blogs about the daily chaos of family life, as well as focussing on her main blog purpose which is Mental Health awareness.

She is a super supportive blogger who has started a little 'help' (verging on therapy I think) group for a few of us bloggers and having them be so kind and helpful has helped me greatly in my new 'blogging journey' (I'm utterly useless with all this social media business. Facebook and Instagram, fine, anything else...I'm chuffing useless!)

Leah writes with such clarity and honesty about all aspects of living with depression and her personal battle mental health problems. She raises awareness, but not in a preachy/self pity kind of way, and I love reading and sharing her posts in the hope they may help others.

One of my favourite posts by Leah is this one where she discusses the importance of letting our children express their emotions . Do pop on by and have a read by clicking here.

You can read Leah's blog by clicking on the link above and you can find her on Facebook [here](#).

The Culinary Jumble

Where do I start with this blog?! Written by a smashing lady called Tracy, [The Culinary Jumble](#) is a treasure trove of gastronomic delight and a feast for the eyes!

Originally from the UK, but now living in Sweden, Tracy writes delicious recipes which are attainable at home.

All recipes are made by Tracy herself, all the photos you see are hers too, and the creations she comes up with day in day out are something to behold. I love her recipes...but sadly so does my waistline! ☹ I have got a list of recipes as long as my arm that I need to try from her website and I'm sure they'll be just as delicious as her photos suggest.

She has cakes, cookies, traybakes, Swedish delights, main meals, truffles, candy, healthy options...the list goes on. There really is something for everyone!

You can find Tracy's scrummy treats by clicking [this link](#).

You can also find her on [Facebook](#).

Double the Monkey Business

Written by Yvonne, [Double the Monkey Business](#) is a blog about being a parent to twins, general family life chaos, motherhood and raising awareness of HELLP Syndrome.

Whilst pregnant with her twin boys, Yvonne began to feel unwell. Once her baby boys had been born, things took a real turn for the worse and she was seriously poorly with HELLP Syndrome. Similar in its symptoms to Pre-eclampsia (and therefore often missed and mis-diagnosed), [HELLP syndrome](#) is a life threatening condition which can develop at any time

during pregnancy or just after giving birth. Yvonne is documenting her own journey after suffering from it and her accounts are harrowing, but so well written.

You can read a post about Yvonne's experiences with [HELLP Syndrome here.](#)

Now out the other side physically, but maybe not mentally, Yvonne writes about the chaos of family life with twin boys as well as her experiences of having HELLP.

You can read her blog by clicking on her blog name above and you can find her on Facebook [here.](#)

Whine Whinge Wine

Written by Fran, [Whine Whinge Wine](#) is a hilarious new blog which I love. Fran is honest, funny, witty and a lover on alcohol (Fran, you're a winner in my eyes already!)

She has also been shortlisted as a finalist for "Best new Blog" at the MAD Awards. OMFG!!! Totes Amazeballs! You can vote for her by [clicking here!](#)

One of her best posts in my eyes is this one about '[the perfect age gap](#)' between kids. As a mum who has a 19 month age gap between her eldest 2, I could totally relate. Brink of insanity has been visited many a time here and Gin has become a regular feature in my diet.

Good luck with the MADS Fran! I will be cheering you on (with a Gin in hand) from my sofa!

You can find her on facebook here!

The Adventures of Beta Mummy

Utterly brilliant. A blog with a difference and I absolutely love it!

Beta Mummy has an arch nemesis...Alpha Mummy. Alpha mummy can do no wrong, her kids love organic vegetables, she is well turned out every day and has the perfect family life. Beta Mummy...well, she is keeping it real. She is like you and me and has days where there are pelvic floor failures on friends trampolines ([see here](#)) and cups of [tea get left to go cold](#) and end their lives by being poured down the drain.

True to life, honest, piddle your pants funny. One of my absolute faves!

You can find Beta Mummy by [clicking here](#) and you can also find her on [facebook, here](#).

The whimsical adventures of a not so super Mum

Another 'new' blog I love is this one by the super Josie who writes, [The Whimsical Adventures of a not so super mum](#). She is a married mum to 2 boys and talks about her experiences of having preemie babies and coping with the scary world of the NICU at hospital. Josie also suffered from hearing loss, due to numerous ear infections as a child, and she has done a fab post recently about finally doing something for her and sorted out getting some hearing aids. She is a mummy, teacher, wife, entrepreneur (her new venture [Pudding and Chops](#) can be found here!) and is just generally lovely. She writes really well,

her posts are filled with a mix of humour and heartfelt honesty and you can't help but keep reading. How she fits everything in i've got no idea!!!!!!

Josie has recently been nominated as a finalist for 'Best Baby Blogger' at the MAD Awards this year too. Wahoo!!!!!!! So brilliant! You can vote for her by clicking [here](#).

You can read Josie's blog by clicking the link above and you can find her on facebook by [clicking here](#).

Man Vs Baby

A Daddy's POV. And it's absolutely hilarious. This guy is a genius and writes in the most wonderful way. I'm often laughing manically on the sofa when I'm reading his posts.

Silly, true to life, witty, marvellous.

You can read his posts on [Facebook here](#) and the link to his site is on here too...

Surviving Motherhood

This is a super successful blog written by a lady called Amy. She is bloody brilliant and cracks me up on a daily basis.

[Surviving Motherhood](#) is a blog about...well, that. Trying to cope with the craziness that is family life and being a mum. Nothing can prepare you for how tough it is, and almost all the books lie too. Amy tells it like it is and is a supportive voice for parents in a judgemental world. She is also about to release a [book](#) for new mums, The New Mum's Notebook, which I

can only imagine will be brilliant.

You can find Amy's blog by clicking the link above.

Eeh Bah Mum

Almost everyone who reads parenting blogs has heard of Eeh Bah Mum. I love the woman. Potty mouthed, hilarious, honest, swears, frank, everything I aspire to be. She is an utter legend.

For me, she is the best blogger out there. Nothing more to say really.

My favourite post by her is probably, though this was soooooo tricky as she cracks me up every time, is this one about "[shit she doesn't have time for](#)". I can relate to it on so many levels and it just sums life up beautifully.

You can read her hilarious posts by [clicking here](#).

Five Little Doves

An emotional rollercoaster of a blog. The stunningly gorgeous Laura writes the blog, Five Little Doves. She writes about family life, being a mummy to 5 children, being a wife and coping with chronic illness, baby loss, mental illness and stillbirth.

Tragically, Laura suffered a stillbirth a few years ago. She writes as a form of therapy to help make sense of what's happened to her and her family, gives others going through a similar experience a shoulder to cry on and is just a lovely

lady. I'm in awe of her. Laura now has 4 absolutely gorgeous children, little rays of happiness after the heartbreak, and she shares their daily family life with us through her blog. She truly is one of the most awe inspiring women i've had the pleasure of reading.

My favourite post of Laura's is this one about her gorgeous little one, [Joseph](#). (Be warned, the post does contain photos of Laura's little one who passed away so if you can't cope with seeing these then don't click the link, but I will say that he's utterly gorgeous and looks so angellic. Just like he's sleeping. Bless his heart...and Laura's.xxx)

To top it all off, she has just started writing a NOVEL!!! How amazing is that?! I wish you all the luck in the world with it
Laura.x

You can read Laura's blog [here](#).

Others blogs I love and that are really worth checking out:

[Thinking Out Loud, Sassy Style](#) – Disability Awareness, Visual Impairment

[Mama Ain't raisin' no fools](#) – Parenting, Family and Childhood Heart Defect Awareness

[Nia Patten Looks](#) – Beauty

[Smiles and Sundays](#) – Family

[Brummy Mummy of 2](#) – Humour and Parenting

[Surviving a sleep thief](#) – Humour and Parenting

[Dear Beary and Beany](#) – Family and Parenting

[Little Hearts, Big Love](#) – Childhood Heart Defect Awareness and Parenting/Family

[Third Time Lucky](#) – Travel, Photography, Being a Grandparent and Mum, Family

[Becoming a Wild Family](#) – Family, Homeschooling, Outdoor Ideas, Parenting