



The Gourmet Gift bag makes an ideal Christmas present. PHOTO/SUPPLIED

A great foodie gift!

Searching for inspiration for that last minute gift? Sunshine and a Plate food festival organisers have come up with an elegant solution to the Christmas gift-buying dilemma.

“Our Gourmet Gift Bag is the perfect way to spoil that ‘person with everything’ or your corporate clients,” says Rosemary Sloman, Volunteer Services Leader for Hospice Eastern Bay of Plenty (EBOP).

“The bag products total more than \$80 in value but are on sale now for just \$60 each. Bags are packed full of delicious local food products, including Scilla Chocolates, Chilli Patch Jalapeno Jelly, NZ Manuka Honey, Ohiwa Macadamia’s Dukkah, Blueberry Corner Blueberry Relish and Moutohora Olive Oil.”

Ms Sloman said the gourmet gift bag sales signal the start of

Sunshine and a Plate fundraising activities. Foodie themed events such as gourmet food markets, Vintage High Tea, Iwi Cook Off, Cocktails Afloat, Bucket List Banquet, as well as cooking demos and lessons are planned for the weeklong festival, which will be held for the first time from February 20 — 28 next year.

All proceeds from the festival will go towards Hospice care of the Eastern Bay community.

“Huge thanks to our local artisan foodie suppliers who have put their products in behind this Sunshine and a Plate fundraiser. We can’t wait to showcase their products and the Eastern Bay ‘foodie scene’ to locals and visitors next February.

■ The bags can be ordered online at www.sunshineandaplate.nz or from Hospice EBOP, phone 07 307 2244.