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Geraldine Harmsworth and David MacMillan



Pottering about: Miranda Richardson



Pret à manger: Julian Metcalfe and his ex-wife Melanie

The South African choir brought tears to the eyes of the Guinness girls



AFRICAN ADVENTURE ASAP LUNCH

The stuccoed ceilings of Il Bottaccio on Grosvenor Place played host to a charity lunch to raise funds for and awareness of the Africa Solutions to African Problems charity. There was no sign of the Duchess of Cornwall, but her sister, Annabel Elliot, talked motherhood over maki rolls with her niece Laura Parker Bowles. Charity founder Priscilla Higham welcomed a choir of women and children, jetted in especially from South Africa, who brought tears to the eyes of the Guinness girls, Jasmine and Sabrina, with their traditional folk songs. Out of Africa.



Comic relief: Jennifer Saunders



Mum's the word: Laura Parker Bowles



DesignArt: Phoebe Philo and Max Wigam

Night Owl

MAIA NORMAN

Damien Hirst's other half is a surf chick turned clothes designer who swapped California for life with the toast of the YBAs. With their three boys, Conor, Cassius and Cyrus, she divides her time between a Chelsea houseboat, 100 acres of Devon woodland and a Gloucestershire manor. She met Damien in 1993 after dating Jay Jopling for four years. The daughter of a seamstress, Maia has moved into designing; her Marylebone shop will open in September. At the ASAP lunch she wore Vivienne Westwood.