

## whatever happened to: NICK NOLTE?

Although today he's but a wizened shadow of his former self, Nick Nolte was a vision in the late '60s and in demand as a model. But he's always been a bit of a ratbag. While it might not be him tweeting: "Next barista who comments about the weather gets shot with the .357 I keep in my fanny pack"; "I'm gonna celebrate Labor Day by crackin' a beer and not givin' a s\*\*\*", by all accounts the cheeky impersonator's bang on.

Nolte's crime spree began in high school when he got kicked out for digging a hole in which to stash booze. At 24 he was busted for selling counterfeit documents and sentenced to 45 years in jail. Miraculously, his punishment

was suspended, so he hotfooted it into showbiz, shooting to fame in '82 as a gun-totin' cop in Eddie Murphy flick 48 Hrs. His work since has brought illustrious accolades including Oscar and Emmy nominations, a Golden Globe win, and the number-one spot on VH1's 40 Most Shocking Celebrity Mug Shots list. The 2002 snap was taken after he was arrested for drink driving, but tests later revealed he was under the influence of date-rape drug GHB. Nolte's defence? "I've been taking it for four years and I've never been raped." The ensuing years of probation did nothing to dampen Hollywood's hots for Nolte; catch him with Dustin Hoffman in the upcoming series Luck. PHILIPPA PRENTICE

### lookalikes



Prime Minister John Key and 007 Daniel Craig

10 sunday



# **going up** going down

# up

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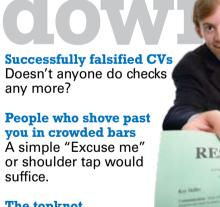
An alert sent to your mobile 30 seconds before the tremor hits?

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#### Pomegranate seeds

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