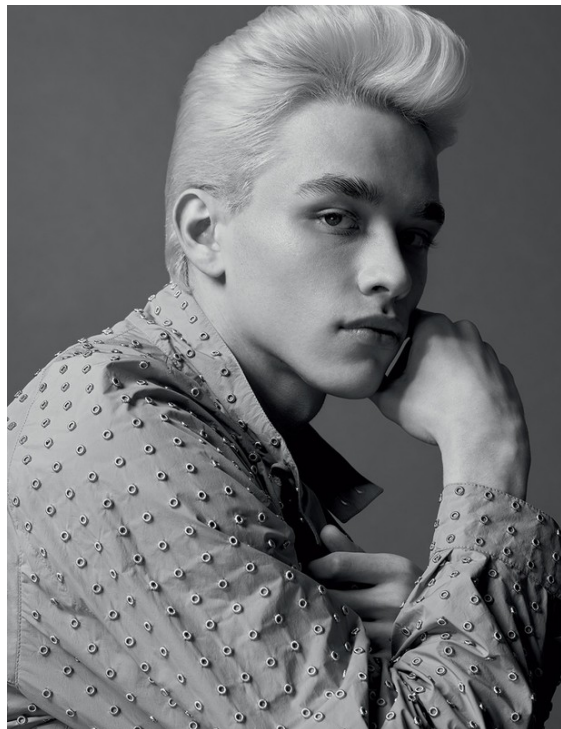


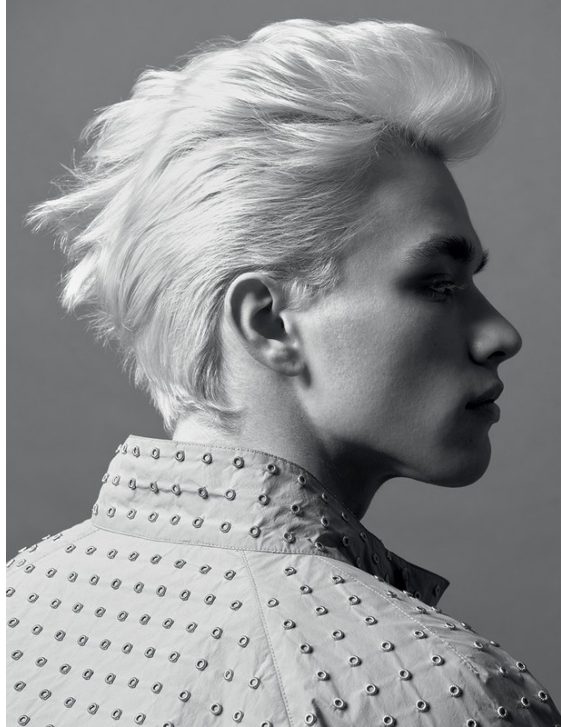
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THE ORIGINALS

Six pioneers of the modeling industry prove they only get better with age

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◆ In a world where being a male model is seemingly more a rite of passage for any photogenic guy with a social media brand to build, it's easy to forget that back in the '80s and '90s, such a career path was viewed as taboo—and the exclusive domain of women. However, the six gentlemen on these pages, gathered together at The Hollywood Roosevelt hotel by John Pearson (widely regarded as “the world’s first male supermodel”), helped to break the mold and

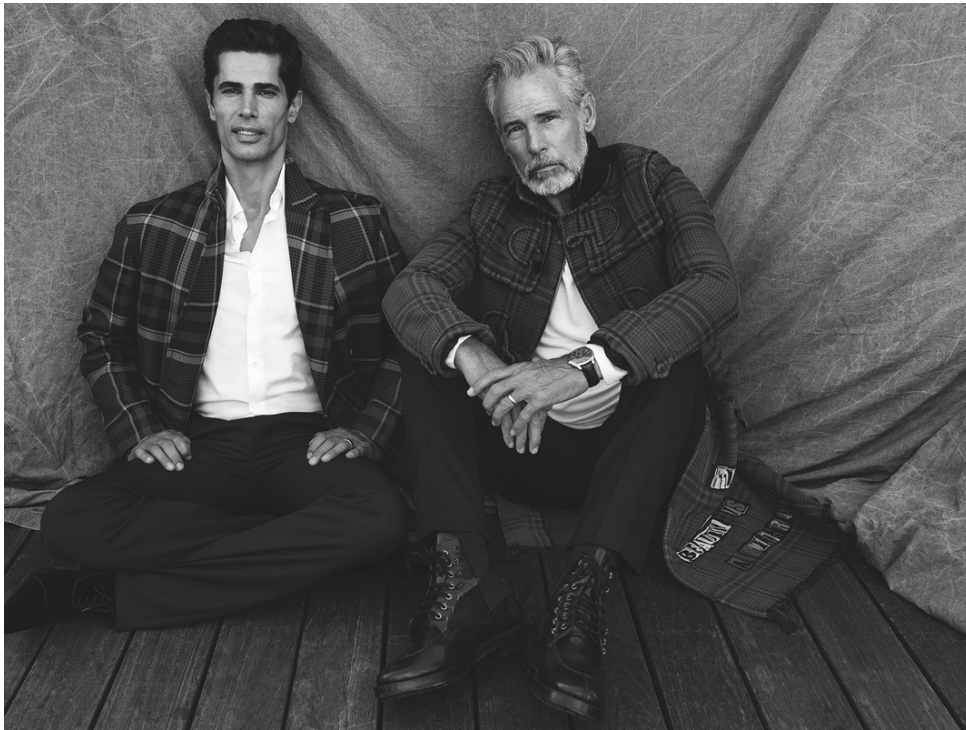
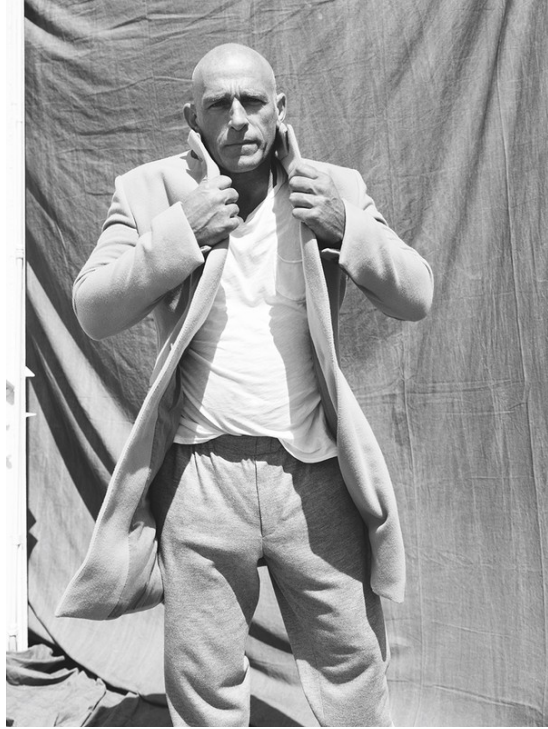
change the clichéd view of men in the industry. Proving they still have what it takes, the longtime friends and collaborators—Pearson, Olivier Debraq, Hoyt Richards, Moose Ali Khan, Bruce Hulse and Cameron Alborzian—offer today’s up-and-comers a lesson in wearing well. “We’ve got this fundamental history in a business that has changed rapidly,” Pearson says. Adds Khan: “The hair is a little grayer, but the sparkle in everyone’s eyes, the humility and the charm is the same.”



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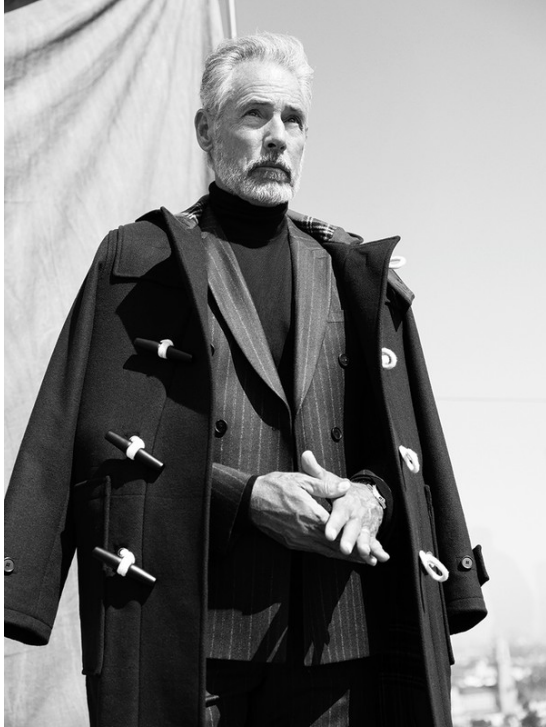
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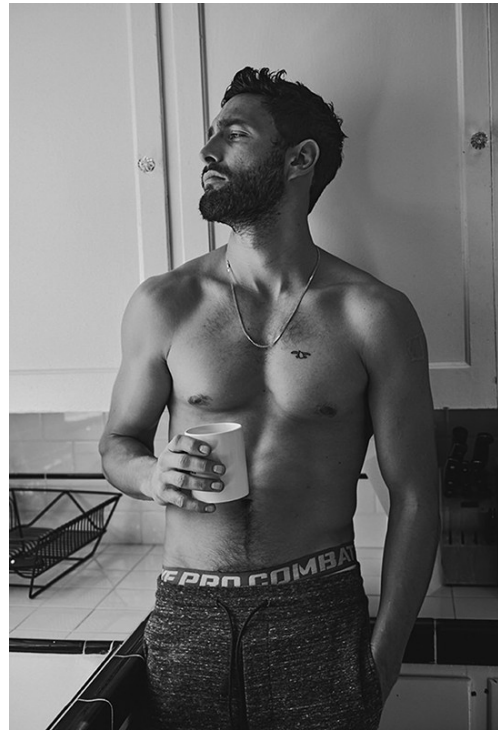
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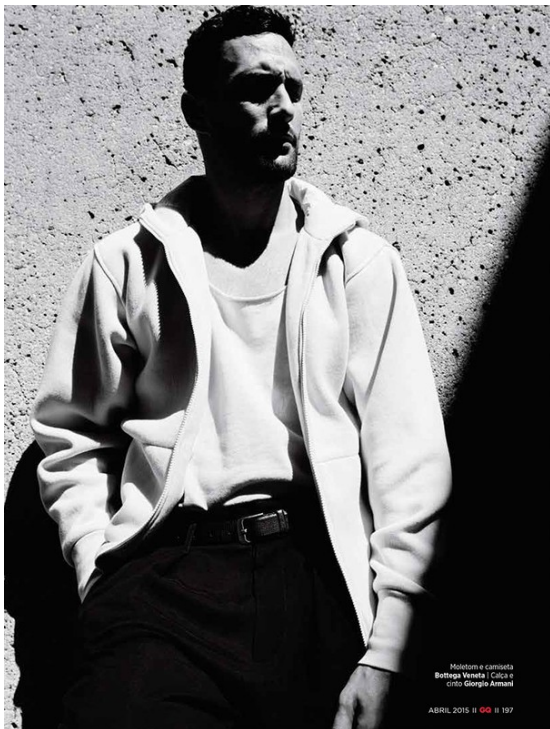
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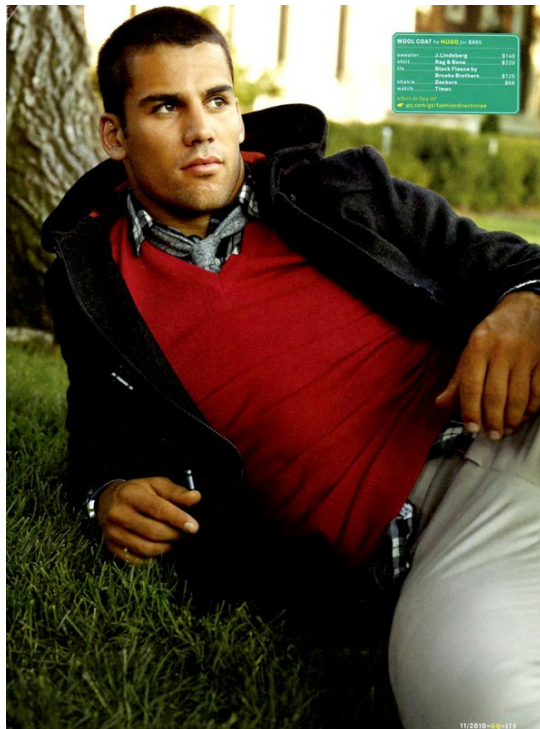
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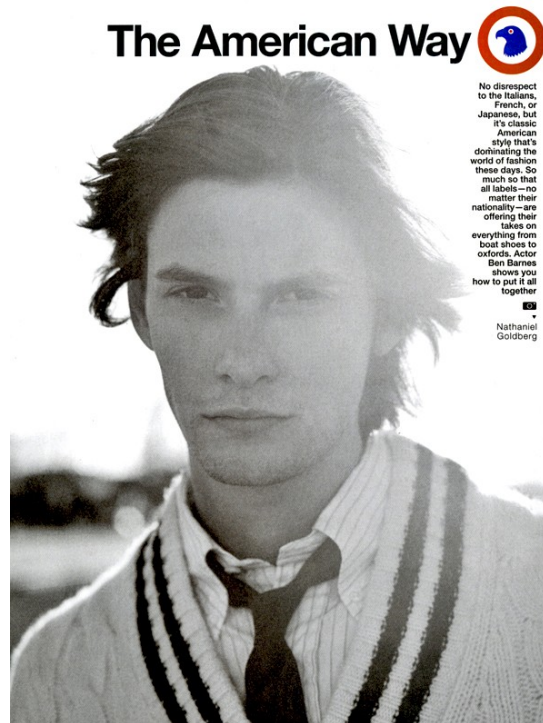
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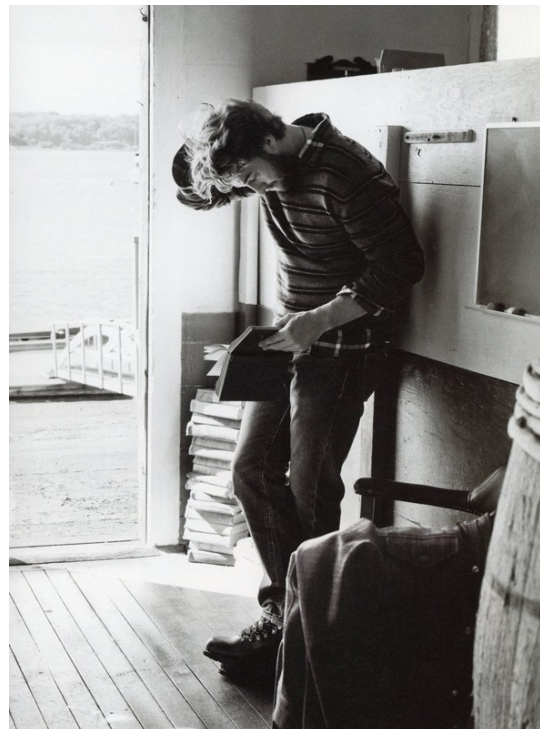
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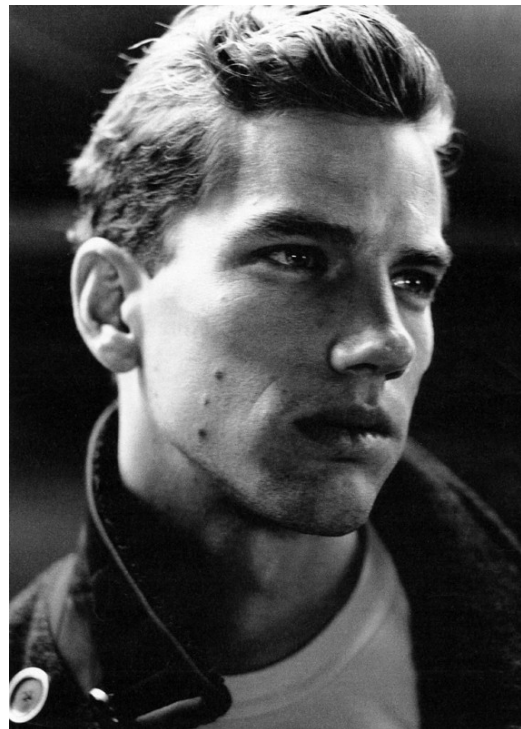
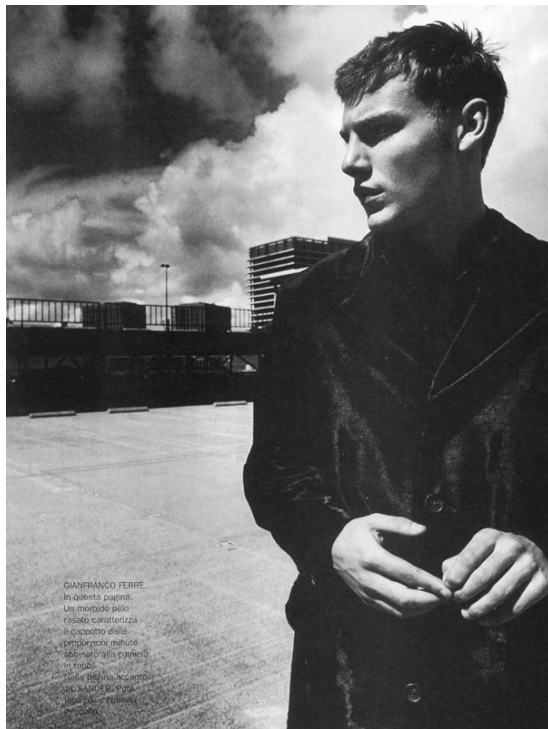
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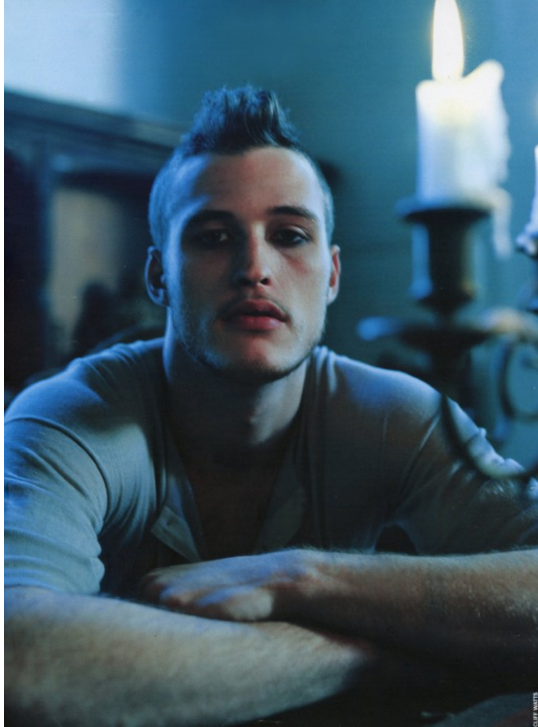
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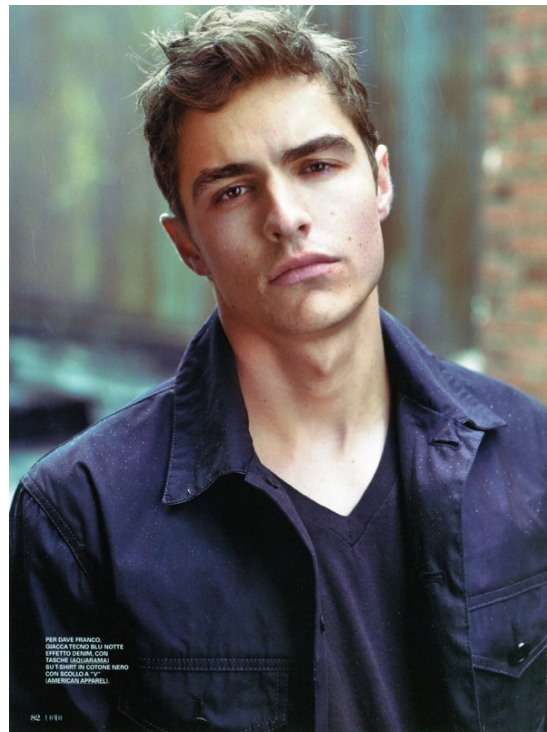
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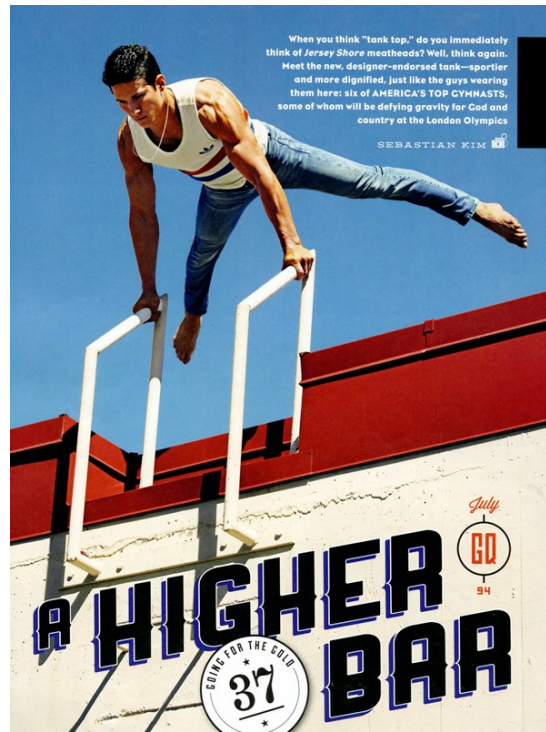
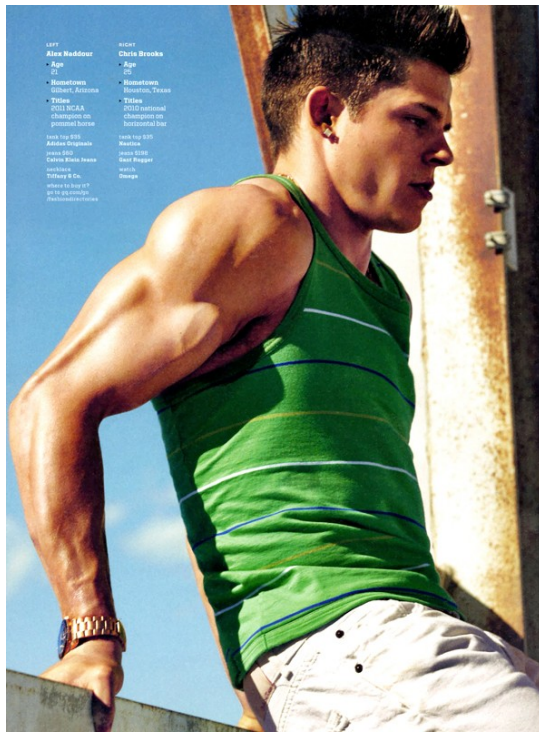
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James Harden
TEAM: Houston Rockets
ON THE COURT STYLE: "Ten left-handed. There's not many of us, so that makes me different from the jump. And then, just kind of being crafty. It makes me who I am."
AND A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE BEARD: "In the beginning, it was just kind of like I was bored. But now, somebody asked me, 'What would happen if you shaved your beard?' I was like, 'I think my powers would be gone.'"

2. The Shawl Collar
It's black, and now less Frank Sinatra-ish, more so, at least. Harden's jacket is a classic shawl collar. "I like it because it's a little bit of a nod to the '40s and '50s. I like to throw up with suspenders in your team's colors."
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Joakim Noah
TEAM: Chicago Bulls
ON THE COURT STYLE: "Being the villain. When you look at the people all the way at the top of the arena, and they look so small, right? And they're just jumping up and down being like, 'Fuck you!' — there's nothing better than that."
ON HIS UNLIKELY NBA HERO: "Shaquille O'Neal. He was killing those guys, smoking a pack of cigarettes, throwing bounce passes, just doing it!"
ON HIS GIG SHOOT: "It was a little nervous. So I actually had a couple of top-shots, and it helped me out so much."

3. The Match Lapel
Harden's suit is a classic match lapel. "I like it because it's a little bit of a nod to the '40s and '50s. I like to throw up with suspenders in your team's colors."
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