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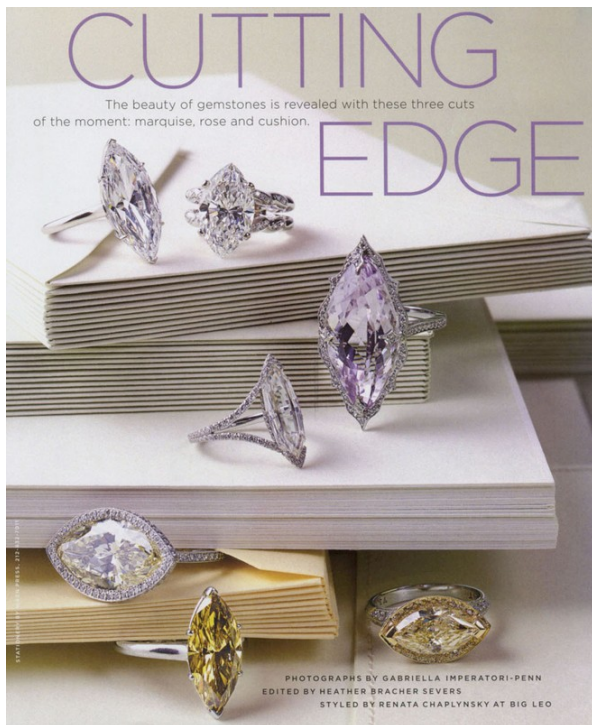
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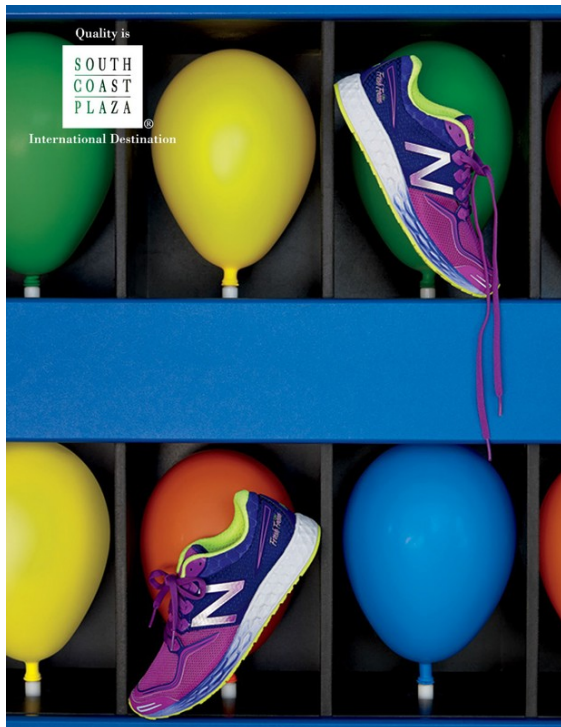
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Boots

Lighter, drier models that will carry you from fall to winter — no matter the conditions.

BREAKTHROUGH

The Go-Anywhere Hiking Boot
\$180, patagonia.com
One of the most versatile boots we've ever tested, the **Patagonia Hike Trainer GTX** has the technical guts to handle low-scale rock climbing but the stability and comfort to be used as a day hiker. It's incredibly tough, with a reinforced sole, steel wire frame, and iron cage that keeps your ankle supported and toes secure. The lacing system stays snug and conforms to your foot yet never feels cramped, sticky rubber edging helps on slippery surfaces. A soft nubuck upper provides comfort for the ankle, while a Gore-Tex membrane keeps it weather-tight but breathable.

STICKING IT
A supersticky compound in the outsole ensures your foot will stay steady even in inclement trail conditions.




Road Shoes

The best new pavement pounders, put to the test by real runners.

BREAKTHROUGH

Finally, a Shoe That Works for (Almost) Everyone
\$65, asics.com
Generally speaking, lighter shoes are shunned by heavier runners, and heavier shoes are no good for lighter runners. But the **Asics Gel-Nimbus 15** received universal praise from testers — many of whom noted that finding a high-end road training shoe that's cushioned, responsive, and viable for runners of all sizes and abilities is close to impossible. We liked the mattress-like ride and the fact that it provides plenty of support. If you're looking to up your mileage, start here.

FEELS SO GOOD
ASICS put massive amounts of gel under the forefoot and heel to provide one of the most comfortable rides we've ever tested.



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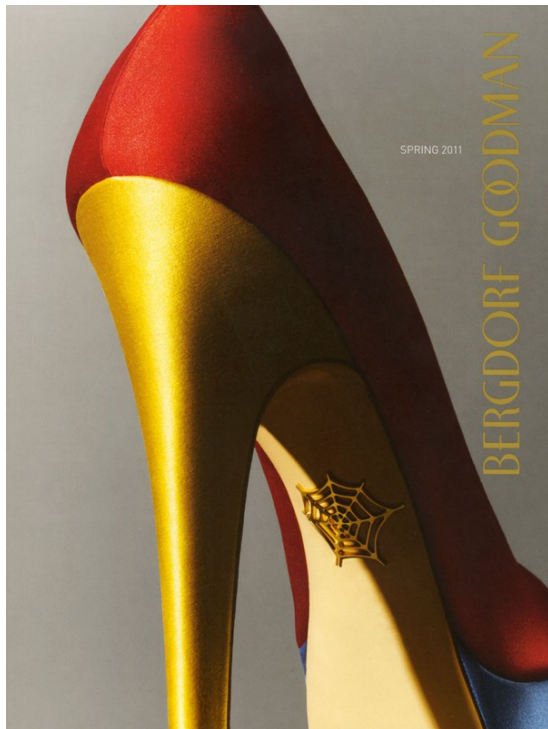
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Course of Study

Calling all students of fashion and commerce. For fall, designers give lessons in disciplines from geometry to zoology.

Photographed by Nigel Cox

1. BEAR leather and patent leather bag, \$1,150, at select Neiman Marcus stores (800.937.9144).
2. LAMAR patent leather and pleated bag, \$2,540, at Jeffrey (212.204.1272) and Saks Fifth Avenue (212.868.8900), New York, and Saks, San Francisco (415.772.3885).
3. LUCIANO PIGNONE catfish shoe, \$400, at Charles, New York (212.593.9806), reismann.com and internetonline.com.
4. VERSACE patent leather bag, available by special order at 800.303.0000.
5. BENO WAGLI leather and fiberglass shoe, \$515, at brunomagli.com and 800.444.325.
6. FRO wood necklace, \$415, at Eric, New York (212.317.8094), Beverly Hills (310.548.2873) and Carol Galles, Fla. (305.549.1449).
7. JASGER LECOUTURE 18k white gold and diamond watch, \$78,200, at 800.411.0000 and jasperlecouture.com.
8. EMILIO PUCCI brass and wood bracelet, \$540, at Emilio Pucci, New York (212.752.4777).
9. HOGAN leather shoe, \$345, at Regan, New York (212.343.3030).
10. SERGIO ROSSI silk shoe, \$545, at Sergio Rossi retail store (jergroup.com).
11. GUCCI leather and metal clasp, \$795, at select Gucci boutiques (800.454.7643).

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Right Angles

Get your protractor out and sharpen up for this season's geometric looks.



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COURSE OF STUDY

Novel Experience

Like the great romantic heroines, these decorative pieces will incite lust.

1. BOTKIER tumbler bag with copper hardware, \$695, at Bloomingdale's, New York (212.795.2000) and Neiman Marcus, Dallas (214.363.8311).
2. AMELIE leather gloves, \$60, at Bergdorf Goodman (800.558.1855) and Takapinaya (212.750.0100), New York.
3. CHANEL wood and patent catfish bracelet, \$1,250, at select Chanel boutiques (800.555.0000).
4. ALBERTA FERRETTI silk satin bag, \$545, at Philosophy di Alberta Ferretti, New York (212.444.5100).
5. MARY NORTON gold plated metal and viscose satin minaudière, \$1,295, at Saks Fifth Avenue, New York (212.795.4000), Mary Norton, Los Angeles (323.852.1800) and Toronto's, Houston (282.829.9950).
6. KERRYD silver and ebony flower ring, price available upon request, at KerryD, Paris (01.53.1.44.58.64.7).
7. DE VERA oxidized silver, Venetian bead, seed pearl and diamond necklace and pendant, \$6,950, at De Vera, New York (212.621.0836).
8. PAUL SMITH WOMEN ponyhair clutch with glass, metal and plastic embellishments, \$1,110, at Paul Smith, Greene Street, New York (212.463.1306).
9. LYDIA COURTESIE 18k yellow gold, silver, diamond, ruby, enamel and cameo ring, \$24,000, at Lydia Courtesie, Paris (+33.1.4261.1171).
10. MARQUIS & CAMUS brass, handmade cotton muslin mouth and vintage crystal necklace, \$238, at Peggy Porel, New York (212.325.3630) and buygoldgifs.com.
11. CHRISTIAN LOUBOUTIN suede and leather boot, \$1,120, at Christian Louboutin, New York (212.336.1886).
12. MIU MIU leather pump, \$535, at select Nordstrom stores (888.282.6040).
13. VIKTOR & ROLF leather bootie, \$180, at 212.463.8170 and Bloomingdale's (212.795.2000), New York, and The Shoe Box, Philadelphia, Pa. (215.911.7775).
14. BENOIT MISSOUL cotton velvet and full headband, \$271, at benoitmissoul.com.

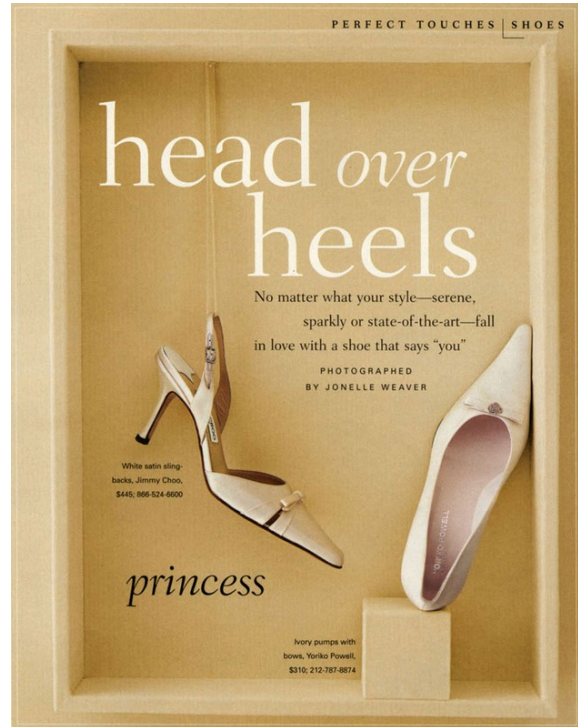
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Look What We Found!

Dials with Style

WHAT CHIC WRISTS are wearing now: playful bracelets that sneak in the watch face so gracefully, you barely know it's there.

1. A well-timed and gold-linked bracelet with black and gold tones. DKNY, \$65.
2. Fauxtime redefined: Expansive sterling silver cuff—an elegant version of the century metal stretch band—has a diamond-studded dial. David Yurman.
3. Pale horn and gold link bracelet with a built-in timepiece has a casual appeal that's great with beige, black, any neutral. Michael Kors, \$60.
4. Gucci's celebrated horological model is translated into a delicate sterling silver bangle with a mother-of-pearl face suspended between sleek curves.
5. Give new meaning to the phrase watch dog with a whimsical canine-themed charm bracelet. Montecro Cheap and Chic, \$35.
6. The requisite miniaturism of Missoni's classic "Trussardi" watch is echoed in a double row of smaller dials in cool steel and white ceramic. For details see shop guide.

IN THE COUNTRY

Flights of Fancy

Every day, pos, more birds return to the trees. Insects buzz in the garden and butterflies flutter about. Among the most welcome signs of spring's arrival, though, is John Derian's series of decoupage wall trays, created from 18th-century European bird engravings. The New York City-based company reproduces the original prints, then hand cuts and hand glues each one behind a piece of glass. Felt or paper is then applied as a backing. \$95 each. John Derian Company, 8 East 2nd Street, 212-677-3907; Bergdorf Goodman, NYC, 800-558-1855.

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A VERMEER PALETTE—

deep, rich, painterly shades—merges with simulations of stately home artifacts (shunting trophies, appunto) to produce a mixture of traditional and whimsical. The candidate is made with an old French technique, newly popular, called faux bois—real, stone, iron, or, most commonly, cement is cast and painted to resemble wood. 1. Brass stag head, \$40, John Derian. 2. Faux bois five-branch resin chandelier, \$195, Day. 3. Faux-snake leather journal, \$36 each, Fuchsia. 4. Porcelain chessboard, \$200, Penkridge. 5. Plate with shagreen-pattern trim, \$45, Woodwood. 6. Faux book in beige (slightly upturned porcelain), \$44, Curative at ABC Carpet & Home. 7. Branch-handled sterling knife, \$150, Austin Creations. 8. Linen look paper napkins, \$5.50 for 20, Flourent by Curative. 9. Walnut look porcelain cup and saucer, \$66, Marc Rivest. 10. Wood-grain print fabric, \$36 yard, the Silk Trading Co. 11. Porcelain melon, \$175, Penkridge. 12. Martini flut: peach, brown walnut, dried fig, loganberries, plums, and pear, \$20 to \$55 each, John Derian. 13. Bronze leaves, \$70, 400. On wall: Library book of painting, courtesy of John Derian. 2

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Great Pretenders

Persuasive paste diamonds. Fruit that invites a bite. Trees you can see through. Phony isn't necessarily baloney. Some copycats can definitely pass for real; others, frankly fake, are a way to have a bit of ironic fun.

IT'S CRYSTAL CLEAR that a jeweled forest of nature-driven shapes links interior spaces to the great outdoors, reproducing every beautiful whorl, knot-hole, and hairline. Because porcelain and crystal are mainly about texture and reflection, they adapt easily to any color scheme. 1, 6, 2. Upright tree vase and fallen log centerpiece, Jeff Zimmerman for Steuben Glass. 3. Porcelain bird, \$12. Curative at ABC Carpet & Home. 4. Porcelain tree stump with mushrooms (use as a votive candle or pencil holder), \$25. 5. Road. 7. Honeycomb print fabric, \$64 per yard, the Silk Trading Co. 2

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