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TAILOR - MADE

Like the Phoenix rising from its ashes, the luxury women's line, **Capital Tailors** relaunched for Fall '14 during the Los Angeles Fashion Market this past March. Lucky Brand founders Gene Montesano and Barry Perlman, along with designer Glenn Williams and design director Chelsey Santry, have done right by the RTW gods, creating garments that are at once sophisticated and playful. Luster-laden washed silks, knits, woven, and denim fabrics, Capital Tailors infuses elegant textiles and updated silhouettes for a surprisingly reasonable price point.

CAPITAL-TAILORS.COM

DOUBLE CUP LOVE



id you know the human head weighs eight pounds? Did you also know paper and cardboard make up over 40% of the solid waste buried in North American landfills? Of that obnoxious percentage, a disproportionate amount is attributable to disposable coffee cups. It's 2014, so why not try to stop being a bunch of assholes? KeepCup, a sustainable initiative is here to help. Its mission is to encourage the use of reusable cups and make a difference in how we think about convenience culture. It's barista-approved to fit in those dangerous looking machines-plus you can write your name on it if you want. KEEPCUP.COM



FAKE IT TIL YOU MAKE IT

re your Spotify plays eliciting snarky comments from your Facebook homies? Before you go tackling those confusing privacy settings, why not take some time to delve into tunes you can proudly display to the internet megaverse. We're all for listening to Katy Perry and Juicy J's 'Dark Horse' twenty times-we're suckers for dumbed down trap music-but sometimes a soulful reprieve is in order. Aussie Chet Faker's croon is inimitable and refreshingly honest, evoking a curious upbringing on both Motown and Ibiza chill. He's even got us rethinking our ban on dating men whose beards are so epic they hook more action than we do. Get it, son. CHETFAKER.COM

RED, RED WINE

elicious wine is an epicurean experience hard to surpass. Alas, like so many of the finer things in life, financial limitations keep us coming back to our old staples of 24 oz. PBRs and twobuck Chuck. But good, cheap wine does, in fact, exist (God, is that you?). The small producer Porter & Plot has committed itself to being a purveyor of small-lot and lesser-known wines for affordable prices (as in under \$20 a bottle). The company features small releases of unique vintage grapes—under 1,000 bottles—with a rotating stock of different varietals from US and French vineyards. So step out of your comfort zone and try something besides chardonnay. Besides, a bottle of good wine is a great addition (or necessity, dependingo on who you ask) for a date night at home. PORTERANDPLOT.COM



ROCK OF THE DESERT

alm Springs and the music world seem inexorably intertwined. Frank Sinatra, Coachella . . . that's all we can think of for now but, c'mon, Frank Sinatra and Coachella. The legacy continues with the conversion of the deceased Hotel Zoso into the newly inaugurated Hard Rock Hotel Palm Springs. The hotel made its desert debut last October, smashing guitars and testing the coke-andpop-rocks urban legend with New York-based duo Phantogram. If endless rock paraphernalia makes you feel like you're at a souvenir shop on Hollywood Blvd., fear not-the hotel's classic design is a graceful homage to its rock heritage and, even better, tchotchke-free. HRHPALMSPRINGS.COM



TUNNEL VISION

It's time to face the facts. Those \$10 neon, plastic sunglasses you bought for pool party season make you look like a tool (don't worry, no one is innocent). If you've graduated from college or pay your own car insurance, it's probably also time to step up your lens game. Inspired by the surfing and beachdwelling lifestyles of Southern California, Encinitas-based **RAEN** **Optics** takes eyewear frame creation to its formidable ideal. With hues embedded from wood, pulp, and natural cotton fibers, their product's color won't fade or scratch. Each frame is hand finished by nimble human talons, rendering a final product that precisely fulfills its original vision. Real surf junkies don't make boardwalk plastic. RAEN.COM



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INSIDE THE BOX

ver dream of a phantom personal shopper With the intuitive accuracy of a Pandora radio playlist, the speed of Amazon Prime, and as non-committal as an ubiquitous masstext invite? Well, welcome to 2014, where the coolhunter elves at Birchbox have your back. Each month, you'll receive a selection of samples, sourced from both well-known brands and emerging gems, test-driven and co-signed bythe gang themselves. The women's subscription includes everything from skincare to makeup, as well as quirky non-beauty bonuses, while the men's lot delivers top-tier grooming products and essential lifestyle accessories. Sign us especially since those Sephora points aren't hooking us up like they used to. BIRCHBOX.COM

LET'S BE FRIENDS

hen art collective FriendsWithYou traded their longtime Miami digs for Los Angeles last year, we knew we had to bookmark their every move. And save for a few paper cuts, we have been nothing but impressed. We Are FriendsWithYou, the freshly minted, whimsically potent, comprehensive monograph from co-conspirators Samuel Borkson and Arturo Sandoval III, portrays the duo's expansive work of paintings, sculptures, and massive installations over the last decade. Their mission? To spread the positive message of Magic, Luck, and Friendship,™ in an effort to stimulate new thoughts of happiness and meaningful interaction. Now there's a proponent for change we can definitely get behind. Even the metallic cover makes us smile. FRIENDSWITHYOU.COM RIZZOLIUSA.COM





REEL TV

ocumentaries-more entertaining than podcasts and not just for serial killers! Speaking of white boys, our pals over at Vans know a thing or two about chronicling unconventional lifestyles for an easyto-digest narrative. This season, the sk8 gods have released a docu-series showcasing independent filmmakers and their interpretation of "Living Off the Wall." Vans' Spring '14 campaign follows four documentarians as they translate the brand's motto through words, images, and moving pictures. Beats a contrast-y, malnourished, disenchanted, teen lookbook any day. #LIVINGOFFTHEWALL VANS.COM

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PUNK ROCK PRINCESS

• Member when your sole motivation to make honor roll was parental funding of your Delia's cardigan addiction? **Volcom** does. The lifestyle line has endured somewhat of a renaissance as of late. The iconic apparel line, specifically the women's partition, is re-branding like it's 1999, satisfying our inner sk8r girl all over again with crocheted tops and flattering sundresses. Oh, our bad, you resent feminine skate culture? Well it's ok to be cute and functional. The women's movement is about choice and we are choosing our choice! VOLCOM.COM/WOMENS



PROTECT YA NECK

ey kids, if you were diligent enough to sign up for Obamacare and get your oil changed this season, how about taking an extra five minutes a day to look after your epidermis? Here in LA, the home of the eternal basetan, it's easy to slack. But you know what? Mother nature gives zero shits about your long day. We've heard rumors of the wizards over at Vichy Skincare and, with our impending Saturn return lurking in the shadows, we're all in. SPF 50 sunscreens and restorative serums are a far healthier route than Botox. So for the love of Matthew McConaughey and the Real Housewives of Dear-God-Where-Now, don't be a statistic. You too, gentlemen, especially you. VICHYUSA.COM

FAITH & FLOWER

magine yourself lounging upon a lowslung settee tufted in pale yellow velvet. You're perusing a tiny leather-bound book and wondering aloud, "Shall we start with the duck liver mousse tarts?" Surreal, yes, but not out of reach-you just supply the outfit, and Faith & Flower will bring you the fantasy. Inspired by a sepia-toned Los Angeles of the late 19th and early 20th century, the sprawling new restaurant feels both sophisticated and futuristic, as well as timeless and classic, thanks to Executive Chef Michael Hung's appreciation for things like calamari, chowder, and deviled eggs. The whole dimly-lit experience is straight out of a dream. Maybe we're romanticizing. But if the vibe doesn't take you elsewhere, the oxtail agnelotti should.



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