



## One for the Books

Calling all bookworms and bibliophiles: a huge Indigo (page 48) opened downtown recently, and it's filled with everything to warm a booklover's heart. More than 58,000 unique titles run the gamut from romances, mysteries and memoirs to cookbooks, travel guides and graphic novels. Browse the departments for children and babies, linger in the wellness area to test a meditation pillow or aromatherapy spray, and check out the impressive selection of board games. Make sure to visit Starbucks on the second level, where floor-to-ceiling windows boast a stellar view of Robson Street. Book paradise, found.



## Grand Amour

One look at a Love Token necklace, and you're sure to fall head over heels. Vancouverite Leah Alexandra travels the globe, searching for ideas for her delicate creations, and this one was inspired by a 19th-century French love poem by Rosemonde Gérard. Find Alexandra's rings, bracelets, earrings and necklaces at Blue Ruby (page 52) and The Cross (page 51), visit her studio in Gastown (call 778-320-3390), or shop the entire collection at [www.leahalexandra.com](http://www.leahalexandra.com).



## Look Good, Feel Good

If you're seeking cotton clothing that's affordable but also ethically produced, you're in luck. Everything Kotn (page 47) creates is the very antithesis of fast fashion. The Toronto company makes classic tees and sweats from Egyptian cotton, they pay their farmers and factory workers a fair wage, and they help build and run schools in Egypt for their farmers' children. Kotn is also converting all their farms to organic. Who knew cotton clothing could come with such a heart-warming story?