



West Coast Style

Whether you're a kid or just a kid at heart, you're sure to fall in love with something cute and colourful from Whistle & Flute. Based in nearby Victoria on Vancouver Island, the brand was started by a husband-and-wife team working out of their garage. Their dream was to create fun, modern, gender-neutral clothing that is also ethically made—and wow, did they ever succeed. Spend a few minutes browsing through their website (www.whistleandflute.ca) and you'll have a hard time choosing between the tanks and tees adorned with strawberries, pineapples, popsicles, hot dogs, sushi, bubble tea, ice cream cones, rainbows, pandas and more.



Tops for Travel

When you're on the road, suitcase space is always at a premium. That's why versatile accessories have pride of place in any savvy traveller's luggage. The Swap Bag by Marc Cain (page 39) is available in three base colours: black, seed or apricot beige. Each bag comes with two flaps—one in a complementary colour, the other in black—that easily zip on and off, along with both a short carrying strap and a longer shoulder strap. The result? An endlessly versatile purse, perfect for weekend jaunts and around-the-world trips alike.



A Magical Collection

Some days you feel like a Gryffindor, but other days you're more of a Hufflepuff. So what can you wear to show your most magical self? Fortunately for non-muggles everywhere, the iconic footwear brand Vans (page 43) has teamed up with the enchanting folks at Warner Bros. to create a Harry Potter-inspired collec-

tion of shoes, clothing and accessories. Find Vans' classic silhouettes in colourways representing the four Hogwarts houses, along with hoodies, tees, hats and more. The only thing missing is a wizarding robe—but that's probably better suited for the drafty hallways of Hogwarts than the sunny streets of Vancouver.

Treasure Trove

Back in 2013, Melanie Auld Jewelry (page 44) was a one-woman show. Over the years, word spread about her delicate designs, the team grew and a collaboration with Jillian Harris followed. Now the Vancouver designer has opened her first bricks-and-mortar store, filled with treasures such as diamond studs, gold bracelets, vermeil heart necklaces and sterling silver stacking rings. Insider tip: after picking out your favourite piece, head around the corner to Beaucoup Bakery (page 113) and taste the best croissants in the city.

