AW28

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Footwear

Inspiration and design

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About this report

Heels, flats, boots, men's shoes and sneakers.

Long-range outlook. Functional tailoring and technical wool for winter, hidden closures and hybrid boots, in ink blues, mulberry and bottle green.

How to read the stages

Emerging new, test in small quantities

Rising growing, build into the range

Peaking at its height, sell through

Fading moving out, reduce or rework



Inspiration

Hybrid boots

Smart boots on cushioned sport soles: Chelseas, hikers and weatherproof derbies.

Why now

Winter version of SS28 sport-meets-smart footwear.

Key pieces

Sport soles, Chelseas, Comfort; hybrid sport-smart boots.

19-6050 TCX, #1F4A35 and 12-5504 TCX, #CFE3D6

Source: Runway shows for this season have not happened yet. Forecut will add the brands showing this theme once collections are presented.



Inspiration

Earth deepens

Warm earth orange deepens into rust and brick, often on quilted and padded pieces.

Why now

Colours of the year carry into winter in deeper shades.

Key pieces

Rust, Brick, Quilting; quilted and padded dresses.

19-1250 TCX, #8E3D1F and 12-1110 TCX, #F3D2C2

Source: Based on Forecut's colour direction for the season. Runway shows for this season have not happened yet. Forecut will add the brands showing this theme once collections are presented.



Inspiration

Functional tailoring

Tailoring that works hard: belted jackets, useful pockets, clean seams and cargo details in wool.

Why now

Continues SS28 performance thinking into winter suiting.

Key pieces

Belted jackets, Utility pockets, Clean seams; belted suit jackets.

19-4218 TCX, #33363A and 12-4306 TCX, #D8D8D6

Source: Runway shows for this season have not happened yet. Forecut will add the brands showing this theme once collections are presented.



Inspiration

Technical wool

Wool that stretches, sheds rain and resists creases, for suits and coats that travel well.

Why now

Natural fibre with performance benefits fits the "fewer, better" shift.

Key pieces

Stretch wool, Water-resistant, Travel suits; technical wool suiting.

18-0617 TCX, #7E705A and 11-0103 TCX, #F0E9DC

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Moodboard





Flat espadrille sneakers

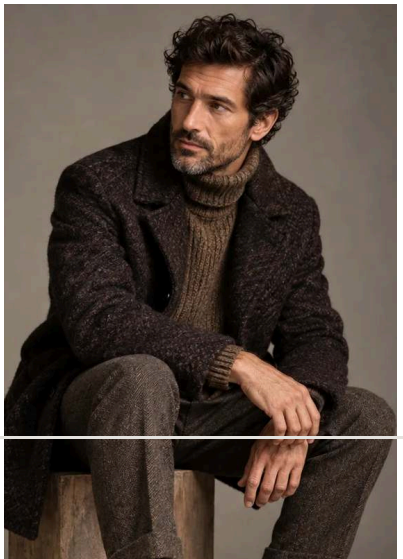


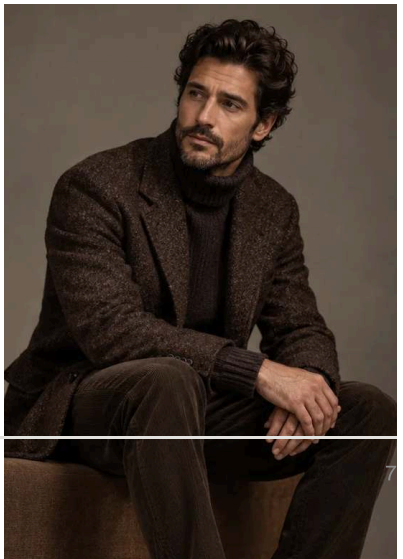
Hiker styles



Hiking boots with tailoring







Colour

The AW28 palette, with Pantone TCX and HEX codes.

Mulberry
19-2428 TCX
#6B264B

Bottle green
19-6050 TCX
#264E36

Antique gold
16-0948 TCX
#B68A3A

Ink
19-3831 TCX
#27293D

Oat
14-1108 TCX
#D7CAB0

Petrol teal
19-4826 TCX
#2A5C6A

Vermilion
18-1454 TCX
#C2452D

Colour by theme



Hybrid boots: 19-6050 TCX with 12-5504 TCX, for hybrid sport-smart boots.



Earth deepens: 19-1250 TCX with 12-1110 TCX, for quilted and padded dresses.



Functional tailoring: 19-4218 TCX with 12-4306 TCX, for belted suit jackets.

Key pieces



Bow-trim flats

Footwear, Heels & Flats, trim

Flats finished with a small bow.

Rising



Flat espadrille sneakers

Footwear, Sneakers & Casual, sole

Canvas shoes on jute soles.

Rising



Hiker styles

Footwear, Boots, sole

Hiking boots worn with tailoring.

Rising



Hiking boots with tailoring

Footwear, Men's Shoes, sole

Rugged soles under suits.

Rising



Kitten-heel knee boots

Footwear, Boots, heel

Knee boots on low kitten heels.

Rising



Rubber-soled Chelseas

Footwear, Men's Shoes, sole

Chelseas on lugged rubber soles.

Rising



Slim tassel loafers

Footwear, Men's Shoes, trim

Tassel loafers on slim soles.

Rising



Slip-on knit sneakers

Footwear, Sneakers & Casual, material

Laceless knit sneakers.

Rising

Key pieces



Sock-knit trainers

Footwear, Sneakers & Casual, material

Knitted sock-like uppers.

Rising



Stiletto court shoes

Footwear, Heels & Flats, heel

Classic pointed stiletto courts.

Rising



Western knee boots

Footwear, Boots, stitch

Knee-high boots with western stitching.

Rising



Insulated hybrid hikers

Footwear, Boots, sole

Hiking boots on cushioned sport soles.

Emerging



Insulated winter sneakers

Footwear, Sneakers & Casual, material

Suede sneakers with warm linings.

Emerging



Weatherproof derbies

Footwear, Men's Shoes, sole

Derbies on lugged, weatherproof soles.

Emerging



Wool-felt flats

Footwear, Heels & Flats, material

Soft felted wool uppers on flats.

Emerging



Raffia wedge sandals

Footwear, Heels & Flats, material

Woven raffia wedges and heels in metallic gold, chocolate, cinnamon and natural; Monday Swimwear x Billini launched 16 raffia styles in Oct 2026 for the southern summer.

Peaking

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