



**Satya Paul**

Premium designer label Satya Paul launches its latest offering for a man's wardrobe – Swarovski ties. The ultimate style statement, the new Satya Paul Swarovski Ties lend glitter to a formal wardrobe and are as attractive with a business suit as with a dinner jacket. The ties are meticulously crafted from the finest of silks and silk blends, each cut to an exact 45 degrees. The superb finish ensures the right fall that does not crease and regains shape within minutes of being hung. Priced at Rs 9,995 onwards, the latest Satya Paul Swarovski Ties are available only on special order at Satya Paul stores.

# Hot stuff

The latest from the best brands.



**Christian Dior**

Christian Dior has launched a limited edition of its new collection, Dazzling, inspired by Cinderella. The collection is as innovative as it is bewitching. Using automatic movement, its name reflects its mood and colour, feminine and seductive. Blue sapphires stand for the sky and the diamonds symbolise the stars. With a delicate blue mother-of-pearl dial face, the work is intricate and the hands, polished with SuperLuminova, light up in the dark and can always illuminate the adventure. The 33mm dial is priced at Rs 7,90,000 and the 38mm dial is available for Rs 8,43,000.

**Chhabra**

Chhabra 555 is India's leading ethnic wear brand. It has captured the imagination of the Indian woman with a luminous lineage of sarees, suits, lehengas and bridal dressing. Exotic designs, authentic Indian ethnicity, enormous variety, high quality finish and a diverse and affordable price range sets the brand apart in the ethnic wear category. The name and fame of Chhabra 555 as the official Indian ethnic wardrobe provider, has spread like wildfire. It is a name that has become synonymous with grand Indian weddings. Along with proper distribution of the latest creations in accordance with the demands of the target audience of various retail outlets, Chhabra 555 offers its collections at these outlets at the same wholesale prices.



**Matrix**

Matrix has launched a new styling range Vavoom; a modern high-hold salon styling line with Active Body Technology for creating instant big hair glamour. The flexible styling products in the range contains Flexi-Hold polymers to enhance sumptuous volume with a soft touch. Vavoom has 3 innovative new products that take volume styling to a new glamorous level. Vavoom Gold Heat has two gold infused products designed specially for heat styling. These lightweight formulae provide full-bodied style, at the same time leaving the hair feeling clean to the touch with camera-ready satin shine.



**Nature's Essence**

Nature's Essence Gold Kit consists of a deep cleanser, an exfoliating scrub, a nourishing massage cream, an illuminating gel and a revitalizing pack, put together using ingredients such as fuller's earth, carrot seed oil, sandalwood oil, various essential oils and gold dust. All of these combined help in purification of the skin membrane and make facial tissues firm to give you healthy, glowing skin and leave you feeling radiant. Nature's essence Gold Kit is priced at Rs 450.

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## Carpet Cellar

The Carpet Cellar has brought together a special exhibition of handmade masterpieces from some of the most important carpet weaving centres of Turkestan. The featured carpets embody influences from the North West Frontier Province, Persia and China, reflecting the multi-cultural iconographies of ancient Samarkand. In keeping with this inspiration, these carpets have a rich vibrancy in their colour palette, spectacular pink, orange and lavender combined with a unique aesthetic sensibility. The lines are neither too ornate nor geometrical, just perfectly balanced, making Samarkand's hugely versatile acquisitions fit into traditional as well as modern interiors. The collection is available at Santushti Complex, New Delhi. Contact 011-24102799.



## Magppie

This monsoon, add delight to your dining table with Magppie's latest offering. The range includes home essential products such as elegant Chip & Dip and Jackie O'. The collection ranges between Rs 250 to Rs 6,995. The Chip and Dip range in steel is a simple and elegant way to serve nachos, potato crisps, cut vegetables with salsa at home to friends and family. It is priced at Rs 1,595. The Jackie O' collection has an elegant appeal coupled with an ergonomic feel. It is priced at Rs 6,995 for a set of 24 pieces. The entire collection is available at exclusive Magppie boutiques across Delhi, Mumbai, Bangalore, Ahmedabad and Chandigarh.



## Hush

Hush, the 'sleep-system' pioneer has launched India's first Sleep Studio, a concept store where one can literally buy sleep. It is imperative that we give prime importance to a mattress where we retire for six to eight hours every night after a stressful day. This concept studio assists you to choose the right sleep system for yourself, by actually allowing you to slide on to the different mattresses or sleep-systems. The studio is elegantly designed, keeping in mind the warmth and comfort one seeks when at home. It offers a range of spring beds and spring mattresses, displayed perfectly in room settings with maximum emphasis on privacy. The studio is open 365 days of the year. The price of mattresses ranges from Rs 15,000 to Rs 55,000 depending upon the size and model. For appointments, call 022-28518550.

## Nokia

Nokia, the world leader in mobile communications, unveiled two new stylish email-optimised devices – the Nokia E71 and Nokia E66. The Nokia E71, with a full QWERTY keyboard and the stylish, slide-to-open Nokia E66 easily mobilise a broad range of personal or professional messaging needs, including Microsoft Exchange, the world's most widely adopted corporate email solution. The Nokia E71 and Nokia E66 support email accounts from more than a thousand Internet Service Providers including Gmail, Yahoo! Mail and Hotmail. Additionally, the Nokia E71 and Nokia E66 support third party email solutions as well. The MRPs of the Nokia E71 and the Nokia E66 are Rs 22,949 and Rs 23,689 respectively.



## Gucci

Gucci is pleased to introduce Chiodo, a new collection of striking timepieces, whose design is based on the iconic square-head nail employed by Gucci since the 1960s. The Chiodo collection offers two elegant watch case shapes, square and round, that can be enriched by a luminescent mother-of-pearl dial. The square styles feature a sophisticated case and bracelet, which lend an unusual, jewel-like quality to their appearance. The fashionable circular-faced versions are in steel, also available with diamonds punctuating either the dial or case, or encrusted on the nail-heads used on the bracelet ends. The collection is available at all leading multi-brand outlets.

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## Nike+ Sportband

When Nike launched the Nike+ brand last year and combined the sports shoe with the iPod nano, I thought it just couldn't get better than this. Connecting your running gear with the best running accessory—a music player—to tell you how good (or bad) your workout has been seemed like the most natural thing to do. I was convinced that it just couldn't get any better; it is after all, impossible to better perfection!

Enter the Nike+ Sportband. Simply put, it is a wristband, which, under normal conditions, tells you the time (large chrono display), but wear it with Nike+ enabled shoes while you run or walk, and at a single touch of a button, it will show you the stats of your workout. Like in the Nike+ iPod combo, the shoe, which has a transmitter, wirelessly transmits the data to the receiver—in this case the wristband—which shows you how you have fared in terms of distance, time or calories burnt (you choose).

Now the big question: Has Nike+ managed to improve on its innovation? The answer is yes and no. Yes, because in a day and age, when gadgets are rated according to their complexity, the Nike+ Sportband has managed to do what anyone shudders to attempt: it has taken an excellent idea and managed to simplify it. The wires are gone; the extra information is gone—you decide what aspect of your workout you want to track—you don't need special garments to accommodate the gadget (you don't even need pockets!); and of course, the music is gone. And that is the only reason for the 'no'.

**Upside:** It's sleek, it's simple, it's affordable (Rs 2,495) and it delivers all that it promises.

**Flipside:** The Nike+ enabled shoes, if you don't already have a pair, would set you back by at least Rs 4,000.

**Buy if:** You would love to keep track of your performance but think music, wires and too many gadgets hinder your workout.

— Shrutti Sridharan



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