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Brief history

THEODORA ANAGOL

If you ever wander through Portobello on a Saturday, make a special effort to find Theodora Anagol's stall. She has been there for four years; you'll find her opposite Cambridge Gardens, where Acklam Road meets Portobello.

Theodora's signature pieces are asymmetrical cardigans and tweed jackets. The cardigans are made from woollen jumpers that have been pulled apart, dyed and resurrected, to create leftfield, chunky pieces that can be worn in a variety of ways, including upside down. 'My designs come from years of messing around with dyes, and pulling clothes apart and putting them back together again,' explains Theodora. She worked as a chef briefly, before studying fashion and textiles at Central St Martins. 'It is tough setting up on your own,' she says. 'But I never want to work for anyone else. My dream now is to open a shop on Westbourne Grove.'

Theodora's stall features new pieces every week, so get there early if you want the best choice. Going by the obvious talent and serious originality this 35-year-old is already displaying, you might just end up with your own piece of designer history. *Theodora Anagol, Portobello Market, London W11. Saturdays only.*



LEGGY BRED

The new denim ra-ra skirt, £120, by Earl Jean (020 7727 9902) is the ultimate all-season piece, to wear with opaque tights and boots now, or bare legs and sandals in summer.

TICK CHIC Veteran Brit designer Paul Smith has launched a luxury collection for women. All are Swiss-made, and as impeccably detailed as you would expect from Sir Paul. Choose from the sporty PS30W (above), £260; the PS7, a more classic shape, or the elegant, graphic evening watch, PS84. For stockists, ring 020 7379 7133.



MULBERRY RUSH

Artist Abigail Lane has teamed up with Brit label Mulberry to design a range of cashmere blankets in a chequerboard pattern, in black and white or blue and brown (above), £750 each. *Mulberry (020 7491 3900).*



Unlikely style icon

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THE PRINCE OF WALES You mean Charles? Duke of Cornwall and Rothesay to you. Not to mention biscuit vendor and first in line to the throne. **But a fashion icon?** Indeed. Just earlier this year, OutKast's Andre 3000 declared that HRH was his style icon. **What about us subjects?** There's no denying the Balmoral feel of the tweeds and plaids that featured at the A/W 04 shows, including Chloé, Miu Miu and Sportmax. **Wearability?** 7/10. Worn in small doses and teamed with modern trimmings, this can be a winning look.



Fashion statement

Anya Hindmarch

What are you wearing today?

A Diane von Furstenberg dress, a vintage velvet jacket and a pair of sample boots from my next season's collection.



Also, a long Cassandra Goad chain with my children's initials on it in a bunch, which makes me feel as though I have them with me.

Whose wardrobe would you like to raid?

The legendary Diana Vreeland's.

Where should we be shopping? Tokyo for stationery, Italy for Christmas decorations (get them in the sales and save them for next year), LA for denim, London for high street. Do you have a recent discovery you'd like to share? The Mackeson, my new bag (top), which I love and have ordered in every colour. It is big, squashy and cool.

This month, you will mostly be wearing... Got a bit of a thing for slim scarves round the neck and long ropes of turquoise beads.

Listening to...? I am into Welsh male-voice choirs right now: a bit of 'Bread of heaven' from 100 men's voices on a sunny day in the car.

What are your current favourite restaurants? Manicomio on the King's Road for the food, and Chayne Walk Brasserie for the space between tables.

Killer accessory of the moment? Hair

- I hadn't realised how many things you can do with it. I can be *Flashdance* one minute and sleek Euro queen the next.

Best present you received recently? My brother gave me a Lance Armstrong wrist band saying 'livestrong', which is very inspiring when I am thinking about skipping the gym. The bands raise funds for Lance's cancer charity (see www.lancearmstrong.com).

Best party you've been to lately? Anton and Lisa Bilton's wedding. I had the most amazing time, mainly in connection with a molten-chocolate fountain (don't ask).

What or who would you resurrect? Corsets.

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