

Style ACCESSORIES



CORAL HAZE

Wedge espadrilles and bold beads effortlessly conjure summer's languid days.

A tan helps, of course, but the real key to stepping stylishly into summer is smart accessorizing. This season the focus is on coral, which showed up on the runways of Prada, Max Mara, and Yves Saint Laurent. The most literal, and classic, way to embrace the trend is with a choker of coral. Jeweler Siman Tu offers an organic branch version that he hand-strings in his Manhattan atelier, while Yossi Harari and Seaman Schepps present graduated bead versions. "Layering strands of coral looks just as stylish as wearing heaps of pearls," says Anthony Hopenhajm, president of Seaman Schepps. But a hint of coral needn't be limited to necklaces, says Fiona Druckenmiller, owner of jewelry boutique F.D., on Manhattan's Upper East Side. "Coral is quietly chic and informal," she says. "I have a Van Cleef & Arpels bracelet I wear all summer long no matter the occasion."

Shoemakers too are finding inspiration in the color. The classic lace-up espadrille, made famous by Lauren Bacall in the 1948 film *Key Largo*, is updated with a wedge heel, a sexy ankle strap, and—yes—coral hues, from barely-there pink to bright tangerine. "An espadrille should be part of every woman's closet, not unlike a ballet flat or pump," says designer Edmundo Castillo. "It never goes out of style."

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SHORE THING

Top, clockwise from top: Balenciaga by Nicolas Ghesquière lambskin and cotton (\$725), 212-206-0872; Christian Louboutin linen and rope panier (\$545), christianlouboutin.com; Edmundo Castillo leather and rope Monica (\$495) at Tender, Birmingham, AL, 248-258-0212

Left, from top: Seaman Schepps New York natural red (\$19,800) and pink (\$20,000) necklaces, 212-753-9520; Yossi Harari pink sponge, sapphire, and oxidized silver necklace (\$16,980) at Bergdorf Goodman, NYC, 212-872-2579; Siman Tu branch necklace (\$750), 212-585-1217

