

Eco-Friendly Fashion

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"Going Green" is a common phrase in our vocabularies nowadays. The demand for eco-friendly clothes, furniture, cars, and clothes is increasing at lighting speeds. We all want to help the planet, but dressing environmentally friendly doesn't require you to pack granola in your vegan Matt & Nat handbag. In honor of Earth Day, I'd like to share some stylish items that are better for the planet, but look just as fabulous as the tired, unsustainable clothes we used to sport.

Stella McCartney Perforated Organic Canvas Shopper (\$645)



Stella McCartney never ceases to amaze with her many earth-friendly options. This gray, perforated organic bag is ideal for a day at the beach or an overnight retreat. Why not reduce your carbon footprint even more, and use this tote to carry your groceries home. An attached wallet is inside for your convenience! www.stellamccartney.com

7 For All Mankind Vintage California Bootcut Jeans (\$224)



My number one denim choice for spring. 7 For All Mankind have officially jumped on the earth-friendly bandwagon and are offering several organic options for spring '09. As seen on Heidi Klum and Katie Holmes, these beauties are made from cotton harvested from pesticide-free plants. The worn-in look wonderfully compliments the retro shape of the jeans, but maintains a classic look. www.revolveclothing.com

Green Bees Eco-Friendly Sandal (\$75)



These adorable, earth-loving sandals are made from recycled tire sole with the finest pure and untreated virgin leather available. The best part is, they form to your foot to generate supreme comfort. They are available in both black and tan from Shop Intuition. www.shopintuition.com

Tsi-La Organic & Natural Fragrance: Saqui (\$95)

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100% all-natural and organic, Saqui combines the warm aromas of clove and ginger and finishes off with a light, sweet citrus. Tsi-La fragrances contain the finest coconut oils and pink orchid extracts while excluding all phthalates, artificial fragrance and color.

www.cleopatrasboudoir.ecrater.com

Alkemie Jewelry Large Stingray Cuff (\$209)



A recent discovery of mine, Alkemie is the best source for eco-friendly jewelry. Every item is made from responsibly sourced materials, which adds a unique roughness to otherwise dainty jewelry. This stingray embossed reclaimed-metal cuff is the ultimate edgy accessory to an ensemble. Try pairing with the Vintage California Bootcut Jeans and a slouchy organic tee for a stylish, but eco-friendly look. www.shopbop.com

Skinny Long Blazer (\$565)



For a remarkably polished look, try this 100% organic Herringbone blazer. The light pink shade adds pizzazz to dark denim or a comfortable-chic look to your favorite worn-in jeans. You will look so cute; no one will ever guess it's actually good for the environment. www.shopbop.com

High Waisted Cuff Shorts (\$310)

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Made from 100% biodegradable cupro, these floral-printed shorts are the ultimate organic choice. Incredibly girly and comfortable, dress them down with ballet flats or add some zest with a chic pair of platform sandals. www.shopbop.com

SpaRitual Nail Lacquer (\$10)



It's hard to make your beauty routine greener. Why not start small and trade out your regular nail polish with a brand that is 100% chemical free. SpaRitual's Nail Lacquer is free of DBP, toluene, formaldehyde, and is 100% vegan. Good to know, right? You will maintain the same shine and coverage as your regular polish, but feel less guilty using the kind in reusable glass. www.skinstore.com