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DESERT

Escape into a whole new world of style this season, as prehistoric landscapes meet timeless elegance, western vibes, and modern whites at Walnut Creek's Ruth Bancroft Garden.

BLOOMS

styled by
JENEFFER JONES PUNJANI

model
IVA GRDIC

PURPLE HAZE

Celine smoked violet crepe jersey dress, \$2,350, at Saks Fifth Avenue; Chloé scalloped python-print mules, \$695, at Neiman Marcus; Melissa Joy Manning one-of-a-kind 14-karat yellow gold and sterling silver ocean jasper, opal, pink sapphire, and chalcedony open-face cuff bracelet, \$3,875, at Melissa Joy Manning; Misa Jewelry Ama Harbor unicorn ring, \$830, at Crown Nine; Colleen Mauer round five-stack of trio rings, \$268, at Crown Nine. For shopping information, see page 117.



FRINGE BENEFITS

Nili Lotan Frida leather jacket, \$1,995; Rag and Bone Lina silk wrap tank top, \$350, at Neiman Marcus; Hellessy Reflection pants, \$890; The Heller Collection 18-karat rose and white gold diamond crisscross ring, \$5,490, at Heller Jewelers. For shopping information, see page 117.



CACTUS COWGIRL

Rachel Comey wool blend moiré blazer, \$625, and pants, \$425, at Nordstrom; Isabel Marant Archie booties, \$920, available through select Nordstrom stores; Gucci rectangular frame metal sunglasses, \$435, at Nordstrom. For shopping information, see page 117.



EARTHLY DELIGHT

Toga jacquard knit cardigan, \$575, at Nordstrom; Adeam trench skirt, \$650, at Nordstrom; Cult Gaia beaded wooden drop earrings, \$98, at Nordstrom; Colleen Mauer five-loop Necto bangle, \$315, at Crown Nine. For shopping information, see page 117.

RETRO WRAP

Stine Goya Maxwell button-down top, \$420, at McMullen; Tibi tissue leather asymmetric drape skirt, \$1,195, at McMullen; Chloé scalloped python-print mules, \$695, at Neiman Marcus; Erin Cuff silver Mojave portal earrings, \$280, at Crown Nine; John Hardy silver and sapphire ring, \$450, at Heller Jewelers. For shopping information, see page 117.



PRINTS CHARMING

Proenza Schouler V-neck dress, \$1,630, at McMullen; Lisa Folawiyo crystallized bead top-handle bag, \$395, at McMullen; Meira T 14-karat yellow and white gold diamond hoops, \$1,325, at Heller Jewelers; Heller Jewelers Estate collection 18-karat yellow gold emerald ring with baguettes, price upon request, at Heller Jewelers. For shopping information, see page 117.

AN EVERGREEN OASIS

EXPLORE THE WONDERS OF THE RUTH BANCROFT GARDEN

The dramatic backdrop to *Diablo's* spring fashion shoot, the Ruth Bancroft Garden has been a fixture in Walnut Creek for more than 20 years—and it continues to wow visitors with its water-conserving landscape of unique and exotic succulents. Celebrate the legacy of its founder, the late Ruth Bancroft, by checking out these exciting upcoming events. ruthbancroftgarden.org.

SPRING PLANT SALE: This annual event offers members an exclusive preview on April 5 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., before opening to other gardening enthusiasts on April 6 and 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

VISITOR AND EDUCATION CENTER: The garden's newest project—a large indoor facility—will be unveiled at a grand-opening reception in June. The center will be available to rent for educational purposes, private events, and meetings. For more information, contact events@ruthbancroftgarden.org.

TEQUILA THURSDAYS: This summer, the Ruth Bancroft Garden will host tequila tastings every third Thursday of the month. Sip the agave-based drink among agave plants starting June 20.



NATURAL WONDER

Brock Collection Abito Oriana dress, \$1,555, at M by Maggie Rizer; Janessa Leone Neil wool fedora, \$257, at M by Maggie Rizer; Alexander McQueen skull foulard silk scarf, \$345, at Nordstrom; Machete Tulum Grande drop earrings, \$78, at Crown Nine; Abacus Row blush Andromeda necklace, \$130, at Crown Nine; Jennifer Meyer 18-karat yellow gold triangle bracelet, \$750, at M by Maggie Rizer. For shopping information, see page 117.

KNIT PICK

Proenza Schouler knit dress, \$990, and ankle-tie curved-heel sandal, \$690, available through McMullen; Melissa Joy Manning sterling silver extra-large square hoops, \$100, and 14-karat gold rainbow moonstone ring, \$850, at Melissa Joy Manning. For shopping information, see page 117.





FIRST BLUSH

Vince bias V-neck
midi slip dress, \$295,
at Neiman Marcus;
Mansur Gavriel
laminated check coat,
\$1,195, at Nordstrom;
Dean Harris pink
tourmaline three-drop
earrings, \$7,000, at M
by Maggie Rizer. For
shopping information,
see page 117.



BLOCK PARTY

Stine Goya Maxwell
color-mix shirt, \$388,
available through
McMullen; Lizzie
Fortunato mulberry
fringe earrings, \$140,
at McMullen; Amanda
Hagerman triple-
ridge ring, \$270, and
chain-back ridge ring,
\$260, at Crown Nine.
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Heller Jewellers Estate collection 18-karat yellow gold emerald ring with baguettes, price upon request, at Heller Jewellers.

WHERE TO SHOP
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CROWN NINE: 515 Ninth St., Oakland, (510) 251-9000, crown-nine.com.

HELLER JEWELLERS: 2005 Crow Canyon Pl., Ste. A, San Ramon, (925) 904-0200, hellerjewellers.com.

M BY MAGGIE RIZER: 6000 Bollinger Canyon Rd., San Ramon, (925) 398-3020, mbymaggie.com.

MCMULLEN: 2257 Broadway, Oakland, (510) 508-0773, shopmcmullen.com.

MELISSA JOY MANNING: 1827 Fifth St., Ste. A, Berkeley, (510) 647-9409, melissajoymanning.com.

NEIMAN MARCUS: 1000 S. Main St., Walnut Creek, (925) 279-3000, neimanmarcus.com.

NORDSTROM: 865 Market St., San Francisco, (415) 243-8500; 1200 Broadway Plaza, Walnut Creek, (925) 930-7959, shop.nordstrom.com.

SAKS FIFTH AVENUE: 384 Post St., San Francisco, (415) 986-4300, saksfifthavenue.com.

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Colleen Mauer round three-stack diamond rings, \$338, at Crown Nine; B.C.E. Jewelry diamond Australian opal ring, \$840, at Crown Nine.

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