



'Tepeu' kaftan,
'Pella' kaftan
(right); both
Caravana Tulum



Divia Harilela

destination TULUM, MEXICO

In the last few years Tulum has become a hot spot for fashion insiders thanks to its lush jungle, crystal-clear waters and laid-back vibe. With a daily agenda that includes plenty of yoga and meditation (in between sunbathing, naturally), the dress code dictates airy cotton kaftans, preferably with some sort of fashion detailing like fringing, which is still a strong trend on the S/S '16 runways. One of the area's best selections can be found at Caravana Montaeacristo, a rustic boutique (it's housed in a tent) founded by Francesca Bonata, who owns the cooler-than-thou boutique hotel Coqui Coqui. La Troupe's styles are handmade and feature Mexican-inspired embroideries. For the evening simply belt it at the waist and add some local hammered gold jewellery. Just remember to leave your shoes at home. —Divia Harilela Caravanamontaeacristo.com; Latroupe.com

PEOPLE ARE TALKING ABOUT... BEACH COVER-UPS

FOUR STYLISH VOGUE GIRLS SHARE THEIR
SECRETS TO THE BEST BEACH BUYS

destination CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

What are you likely to spy beach-bound Cape Town style mavens wearing when they descend upon trendy Camps Bay come summer? Kenyan-South African fashion label Lalessa by Cape Town-based designers Alice Heusser and Olivia Kennaway has covetable bikinis and cover-ups with a nod to vibrant east African prints. The airy chiffon Maryam mini-kaftan embellished with Maasai beadwork is perfect for a languid day at the beach and doubles up as a sartorial souvenir to tote back home—peruse the collection at Merchants on Long, an opulent boutique set in a historic building that sells hard-to-find high-end pan-African labels. —Sarah Khan Lalessa.com >



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'Maryam'
kaftans by
Lalessa



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Eclectic sunglasses
loved by Lady Gaga.
Retrosuperfuture.com



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from New Orleans culture.
Kreweduoptic.com



BARTON PERREIRA

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their trademark.
Bartonperreira.com

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BOHO VESPER

Lightweight
wooden frames
are their signature.
Bohovesper.com



WESTWARD LEANING

We love the San Francisco
label's collaboration
with Olivia Palermo.
Net-a-porter.com



'Tula' dress,
Figue



'Claudia' cotton-lace cover-up,
Miguelina



Sabine Heller



'Siruma' hat,
Yosuzi

'Jumbo Wayuu Mochila' bag,
Muzungu Sisters



Malika Dalamal

destination IBIZA

In the mid '50s Ibiza was an idyllic Balearic island destination on the hippie trail for travellers on their way to India and Sri Lanka. All these years later it has stayed true to its roots, although these days the dress code has evolved from boho to boho luxe—the kind of understated glamour that can take you from lunch on a yacht to the beach and straight to a rave at DC10. The days are long (and the nights longer) in Ibiza, so be prepared for any adventure.

When it comes to packing, Dominican Republic designer Miguelina's versatile white crochet is a must—whether it's a fringed cover-up, maxi skirt, shorts or a jumpsuit. Wear it with a vibrant bikini on display, a hand-woven Yosuzi straw hat and Muzungu Sisters' Jumbo Mochila bag for the perfect beach look, and then once the sun sets add chunky gold jewellery and embellished flat sandals. And if the airline loses your luggage? This is one destination where it's almost a blessing. Stock up on hippie chic crochet pieces from beachside boutiques like Dune Boutique at El Chiringuito on Es Cavallet beach, where they also sell bikinis, Panama hats and everything else you need to get you into the Ibiza spirit. Or head into town to Ibiza Bagus, the one-stop shop for island-friendly fashion.

—Malika Dalamal
Dune Boutique (+34-971395355); Ibiza Bagus (+34-656321987); Miguelina.com; Muzungusisters.com; Yosuzi.com ■

destination ST BARTHS, CARIBBEAN

With a distinctly French vibe, and an airstrip that's too narrow for commercial jets, St Barths does a brilliant job keeping away the crowds. The vibe is European-sophistication-meets-bohemian-chic and the island is known for its beautiful white sand beaches and turquoise water. If not sunbathing, people indulge in breezy white-wine-fuelled beachfront lunches. A beach cover-up that effortlessly doubles as a dress, embodying a global-meets-jet-set spirit, is key. Luckily for shoppers, St Barths is a duty-free port with over 200 stores. One of the best is Terra in St Jean, which sells Figue, a cool resort label. The capital of Gustavia also has a plethora of boutiques with pieces fit for the luxe beach babe.

—Sabine Heller
Figue.com; Terramandarine.com

TAKE COVER

Designers played with the idea of the classic cover-up



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SONIA RYKIEL



PAYAL JAIN



TOMMY HILFGER



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