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Chloe Ethel Leather Tote

August 16th, 2010



The **Chloe Ethel Leather Tote** – what can I say? I wish this bag were a house so I could live in it, or a person so it could be my best friend who would let me borrow clothes, if it were a puppy I would adopt it, name it ChicaBoom-Boom, and let it sleep on my bed. But in reality it is an astoundingly beautiful **bag** that, sadly, I can only admire from afar. The pinky mauve leather was the perfect choice and the over-sized pleats and hardware are big enough to add character to a purse of this size. **Find it at Net-a-Porter for \$1,350.**

Salvatore Ferragamo Saffiano Leather Wallet

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While I love a fabulous teal bowler with all kinds of hardware and mixed materials, there's something about classic, elegant pieces that I always find extraordinarily appealing. Perhaps it's the practical part of me (small though it may be) that says "you will use this forever" when something simple catches my eye. This **Salvatore Ferragamo Saffiano Leather wallet** has that timeless appeal. The bronze color and Gancio clasp give it just enough character. **Pick it up at Bloomies for \$410.**

Christopher Inge Stella Clutch

August 23rd, 2010



We all have our favorite accessories – those earring you got on vacation in Antigua, your go-with-everything black pumps, a scarf that makes your eyes pop – things pick up or put and that make us feel polished and happy in seconds. This **Christopher Inge Stella Colorsplash Clutch** could easily fall into that category. The material has a delicate texture and each color is better than the last. The precise pleats fanning across the purse are a simple but lovely detail. **Pick up yours at Couture Candy for \$125.**

Marc Jacobs Classic Q Baby Groove

May 3rd, 2011



Have you ever wanted something so badly you could taste it? I heartily covet this marvelous **Marc Jacobs Classic Q Baby Groovee**. My searing need for this glorious **bag** makes me think of warm blueberry pie with a hearty dollop of whipped cream (the homemade kind that I'm fairly sure is also used as a building material in heaven). The bold blue and shiny gold details could charm a nun out of her habit and the size is ideal – big enough to lug around all those must-haves, but not so gigantor that you could use it to smuggle a Pomeranian into the movies. It's jaunty with just the right amount of attitude. **Attain this token of azure wonderment at Zappos Couture for \$358.**

Globetrotter Red Rolling Suitcase

August 18th, 2010



This **Globetrotter Red Rolling Suitcase** is the kind of thing I'd like a dapper train porter to help me stow in my sleeper car, along with my hat box, cosmetics case, and mink. The glossy ruby finish and brown leather straps are old school details (**Kim Novak** old, not **Run DMC** old). You certainly wouldn't get this confused with the myriad black canvas jobbies at the luggage carousel. **Find this cherry travel case at Farfetch.com for \$1,370.**

Botkier Howard Satchel

August 10th, 2010



This **Botkier Howard Satchel** is a smooth operator. The texture has a lived-in vintage feel without looking like it was spot-sanded by a design intern. There is an auburn tinge to the leather that adds depth to the deep brown hue and the sleek silver zippers and hardware pop against the dark material of the **purse**. Use the detachable shoulder strap for free and easy movement. The size and easy elegance make this an excellent every day **bag** for fall. **Find it at Zappos.com for \$629.**

Marc Jacobs Rubik Stam Satchel

August 12th, 2010



This **Marc Jacobs Rubik Stam Satchel** is ladies who lunch meets Prince in his "**When Doves Cry**" glory days in the best possible way. The classic shape and prim quilted texture is offset by the luxe purple calfskin and gold hardware. Carry this **bag** with the attitude it warrants – and by that of course I mean a little bit "nice girl" and a little bit "badass mammojamma." **Available at Bloomingdales for \$995.**