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Bags for Fall

The season of fall, luxe bags and polished leather — the trio that sums up our desires. Fall fashion has our hearts and nothing beats a refined bag to tie our cosy outfits together. And it excites us a step further to see the trending leather bags this year, all taking over the fashion scene to serve us the most outstandingly chic looks possible.



As classic as they shall remain to be, leather bags at the moment are very ontrend, with almost every fashion brand coming up with their own creations. They have completely taken over both the runways and our Instagram feeds. And in all honestly, we are all about this hype. Leather looks sophisticated and lasts a good while. They add a posh-factor to the most basic styles — completely elevating the entire tone, especially when it comes



to styling fall-looks, we cannot think of anything more elegant than a nice leather bag.

On top of that, warm tones are mandatory for fall; besides our well-loved blacks and whites, browns, beiges, mustards and pistachios are one of the most sought-after colours to look for this year. They all complement the fall-palette. But if you can only opt for one, we say you get a beautiful warm-brown toned bag; it will pair well with almost every one of the looks you have planned.

As for the bag-styles, quite a few are in vogue. From vintage to contemporary, the styles vary from bigger ones to smaller with a simplistic trait in common. And it's hard to make a pick; all of them are nothing less than fabulous! They all give off a different feel and will transform your

outfits in different manners. So, we are listing a few that might suit your personal style and be your inseparable companion for the season —

Small bags with short handles

These bags are easy to take and look adorable. They are super chic and more on the modern side of the spectrum. Goes



with both flowy-dresses and fitted-formals, it's a dainty little touch to your pretty outfits

Wide bags with long handles

A vintage comeback, wide bags with long handles look graceful with every outfit. From a super cosy trench coat with even a simple top, this bag can add all the elegance to finish off any basic fall look.

Cross-body

Throw on a cross-body to get your look



right at ease. Convenient to carry and functional, a cross-body is all you need for the casual days. Plus, it goes great with most looks, ranging from girly to grungy!

Waist bags

Waist bags are the perfect option to pulloff a modern-grunge aesthetic. They look best over pants and bring more attention to the curves of your waist. We live for the carelessly-fun vibe they give off!

With all these bags around, make your pick smartly. Choose one that you will carry often and get the most use out of. Do not forget to take proper care so the leather stays looking beautiful for the longest. And most importantly, have fun rocking all the stunning looks!

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Return of the Baguette Bag

While most things have gone downhill in 2020, some have gone up, and we are glad that small purses are one of them. Large chunky bags were big until last year, and while they have not gone redundant, smaller bags have been more popular, in particular baguette bags.

A staple accessory from the early 2000s, this design has made its way back, and of course, in funkier colours and prints than the last time it was around. So, it only makes sense that we take a closer look into this old, but rediscovered purse trend.

The Croc Effect Baguette

Kicking it off with the most popular on the list, you have probably seen this numerous times while scrolling through social media. This dainty purse has a croc-effect for a nice texture, slim handles, a slim body, and a chain

This style specifically has been an all-rounder. It is classy, well suited for the evening and dates. At the same time, it is casual enough to take to the mall. Now that is a hard combination to find!

The Buckle Baguette

Even though these are small, you can



always throw on a buckle. Save this for the boot season when you match one with the other for a tied-together look. Thanks to the buckle, these are more suited to heavier clothing styles, such as oversized blazers or sweaters.

The Wide Handled Baguette

This style simply has a wider handle compared to the traditional baguette bag. While the bag itself remains petite, the handle gets an upgrade. This certainly adds more character, not to mention structure to the purse.

While they pair well with pretty much every kind of outfit, they are especially suitable for clothes with strict shoulders. This means blazers, suits, or even balloon sleeves where this creates a definite line of separation.

The Cloth Baguette

This sleek trend is not confined to harder materials and can be found made from softer cloth as well. These are not as sturdy, but they do a fine job of making an outfit look natural and comfortable. And because of this, this style is best for casual outings. They pair really well with a kurta or shalwar kameez, which shares similar cloth structures.

Make it Yours

As one of the most popular bag trends this year, expect to see a lot of this bag around you. They do come in various colours, styles, and textures with minimal design differences

too, but if you want to, you can take it a step further to make it your own.

Chains are one accessory that can be used. You can pick anything from your current collection. These can be neckpieces or chunky chains from other bags you might have. And if they are too long, use double layers.

One way is to wrap them around the handle and attach each end to the hooks. Or you could simply let them hang down the

Pins are another way you can spruce up your purse. And of course, scarves. Silk scarves are a classic bag accessory. Even though they are traditionally reserved for bigger bags, do not feel shy to try it out.

Not all baguette bags you find will be labelled 'baguette.' But you have certainly come across them more than you think. The idea is to have a slim and long purse that tucks well under the arms with a petite handle. It is functional and fashionable, so there is little reason to not check it out.

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