

Into the wild

SURVIVAL of the fittest is an evident concept when it comes to the fashion industry, so it's no surprise that the latest trends have designers looking to the wilderness for the strength to compete in such a savage market. The runways have been showcasing an array of natural greens, burnt browns, autumn leaves and crystal lakes, the wild has been cocooned and metamorphosed into a fashion parade of epic proportions.

Like moss, this green coat by Celine is a vision of subtle elegance and timeless beauty colour matched with Resene Lush. The coat exudes strength, wealth, and sophistication whilst the texture of the piece makes for a luxurious and comfortable feel.

Elie Saab has looked to forest streams for her inspiration this season, using a blue similar to Resene Kitsch. The A-line dress has a cute cut proportion with the hem falling directly onto the knee whilst still showing arms and chest. Echoing the rippling of the water, the dress billows out into a full skirt, folding and pushing, moving the same way water does in the spring rain. And when the sun appears, light is reflected in a million directions, the same way the crystal embellished dress sends light flying and illuminates the room.

For a more staunch approach, Chanel delivers a serious but sleek edition of the ever changing Chanel suit, in a woody green matched with Resene Hibernata. With years of knowledge behind it, the suit uses minimal lines and the signature Chanel texture, showcasing elements of the past in a contemporary design. From metallic button choice to reflective fibre woven into the wool, the suit organically combines the two elements into a hybrid garment that appeals to a multi-generational consumers.

Organic design is an element that Alexis Marbelle has integrated with this gown looking as though the woodland floor has relocated to the runways of New York. Resene Twister resembles a colour both alive and dead, mimicking mould as it slowly takes ownership of its host. Alexis Marbelle has created a gown that sits between ready-to-wear and Avant Garde, with the incredibly simple dress being in direct contrast to the explosion of tulle around the neckline.

A plethora of colour is what the wilderness has to offer, and an interesting interpretation can be seen in this upcoming season. Appropriate across a multitude of environments, the natural colours will stay warm in the cold; whilst looking appropriate in the blaring sun. Essentially timeless, these colours are a vision of the past, but also an image of the future, as fashion continually looks back to redefine moving forward. **ap**



Resene Mai Tai
Jason Wu



Resene Light Tan
Diane von Furstenberg



Resene Lush
Celine



Resene Korma
Bottega Veneta



Resene Flourish
Elie Saab



Resene Hibernata
Chanel



Resene Kitsch
Elie Saab



Resene Legend
Moschino



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