

Of-the-moment website:
theOutnet.com



T rue stylephiles aren't going to let a little thing like a recession get in the way of their quest for great fashion, and thanks to exclusive designer outlet theOutnet.com, they don't have to. The companion site to the iconic online destination, Net-a-porter.com, theOutnet offers deep discounts on some of the world's most crave-worthy labels, like Kouture faves Stella McCartney, Derek Lam, L'Wren Scott and Halston. Every bit as chic and well-curated as its sister site, theOutnet boasts amazingly useful and fun mini-sections like "Dress Me" (for the girl with nothing to wear), "Designer Hot Spot (which recently featured Alexander McQueen) and 25 Designer Finds for under \$250 (our favorite). Regular events, weekly promotions and giveaways will keep budget-minded shoppers coming back for more even after the economy gets back on track.



Must-See Boutique
A Beautiful Life

You know how some people just always manage to have the coolest under-the-radar beauty products or designer labels long before everyone else? Well, it is quite possible that they are regulars at A Beautiful Life, a hip boutique located in New Hope, PA. An artist's community located halfway between New York and Philadelphia, New Hope provides the perfect backdrop for this eclectic little shop and spa destination. Owned by husband and wife team, Tony and Jennifer Artur, A Beautiful Life offers an expertly-selected array of clothing, body, hair and beauty essentials as well as men's groom-

ing products. Established brands like Mario Badescu and Dr. Hauschka mingle side-by-side with ABL's fabulous in-house produced makeup line as well as Vivienne Pickle, their new collection of beautiful, high-end hair accessories. The quest for the perfect summer fragrance ends at ABL with Smitten, the collection of Huile de Parfum created by Tony himself. Jennifer is a licensed esthetician and spa services and skincare treatments are available by appointment. Sounds like perfect one-stop shopping to us. For more information visit abeautifullife.com or call 866.862.8838.



**CJ By
Cookie
Johnson**

Finding the perfect pair of jeans has gotten a little bit easier thanks to **Cookie Johnson**. Wife of basketball legend and entrepreneur **Magic Johnson**, Cookie, like many women, found it frus-

trating to find premium denim that was cut for women with more curvaceous figures. Johnson teamed up with **Michael Glassner**, the force behind Seven for All Mankind and Citizens of Humanity to create **CJ by Cookie Johnson**. The collection recently debuted with 5 cuts:

boot-cut, high-waist, legging, straight-leg and boyfriend. The line is available in sizes 24-38 with a price point of \$145-198. **CJ by Cookie Johnson** is currently available at Nordstrom and will debut at Neiman Marcus and Bloomingdales this September.

Velvet Angels

"Bottom Line" wedge, \$295; "Circle Bar" sandal, \$140



Velvet Angels

Summer is the best time to seek out new and emerging labels. That's why we were thrilled when we heard about **Velvet Angels**. This L.A.-based collection has already developed a solid celebrity following (**Rihanna** and **Nicole Scherzinger** are fans) who love their brilliantly easy separates and pared-down selection of luxe, forward-thinking shoes. We love this platform wedge and this chic little sandal, both of which are perfect to slip on with a slim city short or a flowy sundress.

Jose Bravo Sylvana Clutch, \$750



Jose Bravo

Uncertain times don't necessarily mean that we have to abandon luxury all together. Fortunately for us, NYC-based handbag designer **Jose Bravo** offers a pitch-perfect version of understated chic with his collection of elegant, logo-free bags that are the ultimate investment pieces. We especially love the **Sylvana Clutch**, made from python and patent leather. For more information on the **Jose Bravo** collection, visit www.jobhandbags.com.

**Johnny
Vincent**

If you are still searching for the perfect suit to lounge in poolside this summer, **Johnny Vincent** is the swimwear label for the girl who likes a bit of edge with her R&R. Designed by Celeste Johnny, this daring collection features wildly sexy suits with graphic cutouts that leave little to the imagination and was recently showcased on the latest edition of *Rip the Runway*. We love that her website offers much-needed tips on selecting the best swimwear for your body type.

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