

Fashion Forecast

Choosing A Handbag

(NAPSA)—The most prominent and essential accessory for all fashion-conscious women is the handbag. Whether it's large or small, carried in the hand, under the arm or over the shoulder, a handbag complements one's wardrobe like no other accessory.



Comfort and quality are the most important things to look for when choosing a handbag.

First, choose a color that blends with and/or highlights one's clothing. "Three basic colors will complement nearly all varieties of clothing: black, brown and beige," says Kenny Orr, president of Stone Mountain Accessories. "There are other colors that go with specific wardrobes, such as navy, red and bone."

Next, consider material. "The most elegant, durable and handsome handbags are those made of high-quality leather," says Orr. "The leather must be well tanned, then its components sturdily sewn and never glued. Straps and compartments should be equally sturdy and durable. If a handbag is well-constructed, it will not only serve its purpose, but it will also maintain its good looks for many years as well."

Size and style are essential elements in all of one's choices. It's hard to go wrong with the classic styling of a tote, a clutch, a hobo or a sling bag.

For more information about how to choose the right handbag, as well as an opportunity to win a free leather handbag, you can visit www.stonemountainhandbags.com.