



A YEAR IN
JEWELS

Filet d'Or bracelet (centre) and Filet d'Or sautoir, both in white gold and diamonds. Right: Delos bracelets in gold and silver. All by Hermès

BITS AND BOBS

Plenty of luxury brands are inspired by horses and the equestrian world, but none quite like Hermès. The new Filet d'Or range stems from the brand's most recent high-jewellery collection, and sees the horse's bit and saddle straps turned out in white gold and diamonds. From a sensual sautoir cascading with multiple diamond-set bits to unyieldingly stiff bracelets, above, to lock firmly around the wrist, the collection is an exquisitely sexy and luxurious take on stable tack. hermes.com

Golden Compass

Victoire de Castellane, creative director at Dior Joaillerie, has let the wind blow her to Granville, Normandy for her latest collection. Rose des Vents is a sweet range of pendants (above) inspired by Les Rhumbs, the childhood home of Christian Dior, and the old maritime wind compass decoration for which it was named. In turquoise, mother of pearl, pink opal and lapis lazuli, with the star-like wind rose motif on one side, the bracelets and necklaces are pretty, breezy little talismans for wearing every day. dior.com



SPACE MAN

Shaun Leane's catwalk collaborations with Alexander McQueen were legendary, and these limited-edition pendants (above) from the Reflective series are a fitting tribute to the relationship between the two. Inspired by two of the headpieces Leane created for McQueen's autumn/winter 2007 show, the diamond star and sapphire moon pendants are exquisite on their own... But imagine wearing them together. Celestial heavens! shaunleane.com

Vow Factor



Elizabeth Gage's wedding collection is the perfect alternative for brides and grooms seeking something other than the ubiquitous solitaire engagement ring or plain cufflinks. Gage's love of bold gold and, often, baroque settings makes the designer's work recognizably hers from afar, without being too statement-making (save that for the church). elizabeth-gage.com

The New Establishment

Thought the world's hippest department store was all about head-to-toe black? Check out Dover Street Market's latest jewels. Danish designer Sophie Bille Brahe has gone all sweet and pink with her new Japanese-inspired Ciel de Tanabata range, featuring Argyle pink diamonds and soft-pink Japanese coral; while Raphaelle Canot's glossy red lips-inspired OMG collection has been extended to include a brilliantly bold cuff. Another brand to get seriously excited about is new(ish)comer Maison Dauphin, whose black diamonds on deep-blue-tinted white gold are nothing short of incredible. sophiebillebrahe.com; raphaelecanot.com; maisondauphin.com



OMG ring in white gold and diamonds, by Raphaelle Canot. Right: white-gold, blue-rhodium and black-diamond ring, by Maison Dauphin. Above: gold and coral Elipse Japonais earring, by Sophie Bille Brahe, all at Dover St Market.



ROSE DES VENTS BRACELET IN YELLOW GOLD, DIAMOND AND TURQUOISE BY DIOR JOAILLERIE, DIOR.COM; TAPERED TEMPLAR RING IN 18CT YELLOW AND WHITE GOLD AND DIAMONDS, BY ELIZABETH GAGE, ELIZABETH-GAGE.COM; GOLD, SAPPHIRE AND DIAMOND STAR NECKLACE, BOTH BY SHAUN LEANE, SHAUNLEANE.COM