

## Reporter: A Question Of Style



**Celebrity stylist Karen Ng answers your fashion queries.**

**Q** Being a city-dweller all my life, packing for a short luxury resort getaway is posing a major challenge as my wardrobe is filled with corporate suits and separates. All I want is to be transformed from a boring office "auntie" to a chic, vibrant jet-setter.

— Crane Han

**D**ear Crane, Lucky you! I had a fabulously stylish holiday living it up in St Tropez last summer, so I'm in a good position to provide some valuable advice that will make your getaway a truly unforgettable experience.

Hence, I've zoomed in on seven essential elements to amp up your outfits:

1. Accessories: Pile on chain necklaces over racer-backed tunic dresses or a brightly coloured playsuit.

2. Scarves: These can be tied either into a bandanna or folded into a narrow strip and worn as a headband. I particularly love the ones from the late Alexander McQueen, as well as the bigger scarves from Hermès (which makes beautiful prints) that can also be worn as a *sarong* with bikini tops.

3. A chic beach hat: When dressed in casual wear, you can do no wrong with a quality Panama hat or fedora.

4. Statement footwear: Pick a pair of embellished metallic strapped sandals, ankle high gladiators, kitten-heeled clogs or colourful *espadrilles*

and they'd go a long way towards jazzing up an otherwise boring outfit.

5. Eye-catching bags: Sport a snazzy, attention-grabbing shoulder tote or satchel.

6. Cool shades: Pack a pair of aviators (by RayBan or Gucci) and oversized sunnies in the style of Jackie O (by Chanel or Victoria Beckham).

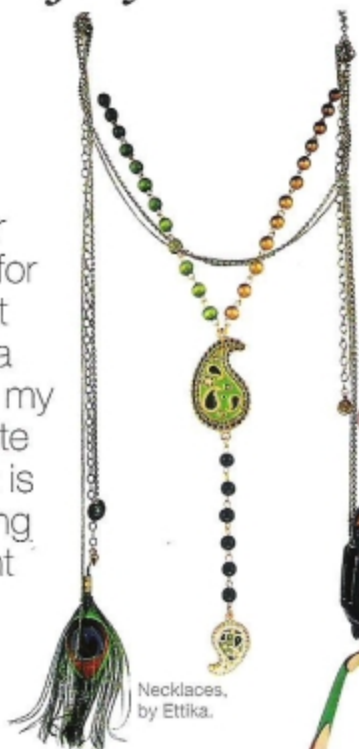
7. Flirty bikinis or swimwear: Think trendy, groovy and a bit provocative and you're on the right track.

We tend to focus on what garments to bring when packing for holidays, when the real secret is in packing the right accessories. All you need are some oversized T-shirt dresses, a white asymmetrical shirt dress, tank tops, jumpsuits, maxi

dresses, leggings, biker shorts, and *voilà* — you're all ready for a fantastic time. ✨



Gladiator heels, by Emilio Pucci.



Necklaces, by Ettika.



Bag, by Louis Vuitton.



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Victoria Beckham in her signature shades.



Keep cool under a wide-brimmed Chanel straw hat.

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