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Chocolate brown Preston dress shoe, \$215 at J.Crew 125 Summit Blvd. | 205-970-6411 | jcrew.com

State Traditions blue silk tie with red-and-white Alabama state design, \$80 at Remon's, 123 Summit Blvd. | 205-977-5512 | remonsclothier.com

Boss Hugo Boss Sharp Fit pink-and-blue checkered button down, \$115; Valentino red silk tie with white clovers, \$135; both at Saks Fifth Avenue, 129 Summit Blvd. | 205-298-8550 | saksfifthavenue.com.



Shrimp and grits, football and tailgating, dress shirts and ties are all staples in a Southern man's life. While you may already have the perfect shrimp-and-grits recipe, this "style cookbook" is complete with shirt-and-tie pairings for both novices and experts. Take a glance at the shirt-and-tie combinations and pick the right pair for you. With these perfect matches, you are sure to score a touchdown in the style arena.

Eton Contemporary thin blue-checkered button down, \$255, Valentino navy with diagonal purple striped tie, \$135, both at Saks Fifth Avenue.

Boss Hugo Boss yellow gingham silk pocket square, \$40, Salvatore Ferragamo silver horsebit cuff links, \$250, both at Saks Fifth Avenue.



brief bag, \$375 at Saks

Fifth Avenue.



Tom Ford aviator sunglasses, \$410 at Saks Fifth Avenue; State Traditions blue woven belt with red-and-white Alabama state design and brown leather buckle belt, \$49.50 at Remon's; Salvatore Ferragamo black leather money clip, \$150 at Saks Fifth Avenue.

Rotenier silver bottle cap cuff links, \$345, Saks Fifth Avenue.

Boss Hugo Boss white with black polka dots silk pocket square, \$30; Boss Hugo Boss plum, lavender and blue striped silk pocket square, \$30; both at Saks Fifth Avenue.

Michael Kors Marina blue checkered button down shirt, \$145; Boss Hugo Boss navy silk tie, \$95; both at Saks Fifth Avenue.



State Traditions red-and-white bow tie with Alabama state design, \$65, State Traditions blue-andorange bow tie with Alabama state design, \$65, both at Remon's.





Ike Behar Blue Crystal striped button down, \$135; Ike Behar turquoise with orange polka dots bow tie, \$49.50, both at Saks Fifth Avenue.



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