

HOUSTON

A man with short brown hair, wearing a dark suit jacket, a checkered shirt, and a purple and white striped tie, is looking down and to the left. The background is a bright, slightly blurred indoor setting.

MEN'S ISSUE

TAILORED & TOUGH!

SUIT UP WITH FERRAGAMO & FORD
SEXY STYLE FOR RUGGED INDIVIDUALS
POWER PINUP MILLA JOVOVICH!
PARTYING DOWN IN UPPER KIRBY
& BEHOLD THE MIGHTY ORQ

PLUS

FALL TRAVEL SPECTACULAR
I SEE LONDON! I SEE FRANCE!
GLAM & GLORIOUS INDIA

TRENDWATCH

Rough Edge

Relaxed, richly rustic and unstructured are among the autumnal adjectives for the sharp-dressed man, per the fall runways. High-profile labels like Rag & Bone and Bottega Veneta sent out lived-in leather jackets and heavy trousers. Shades of brown and olive green alluded to an outdoorsy chic that almost conjured a hunting camp more than a catwalk. "The character of men's apparel has seemed to be trending toward handmade goods," says Jason Bruen of Houston men's shop Reserve Supply Company, "and I think that rugged, leather, worn look applies to that." Bruen touts, for example, new Nixon timepieces like The Axe, which features a hand-worked leather band. "Men's apparel for the fall season will be deeply rooted in the classics." —Amber Bell



1. A look from Rag & Bone. Select pieces are available at Saks Fifth Avenue, in the Galleria, and Nordstrom. 2. Billy Kirk No. 165 medium carryall in olive, \$320, at Mortar, 1911 Westheimer Rd., 713.529.0009. 3. Emporio Armani aviator sunglasses, \$110, at Solstice, in the Galleria. 4. The Axe watch in All Black, \$250, by Nixon at Reserve Supply Company, 2205 Washington Ave., 713.750.9582. 5. Kentwood Roper boots in dark buffalo, \$495, at Billy Reid, in the Galleria. 6. Collins leather chair, from \$1,865, at Restoration Hardware, 4091 Westheimer Rd., 713.850.8838.



THREADS

Custom Cool

Forty years after it opened in Dallas, on its way to becoming a Big D institution, **Q Custom Clothier** has hit Houston (in West Ave, 713.523.8333). Custom clothing is often misperceived as very expensive, says owner Raja Ratan, noting that his prices—shirts start at \$120, suits from \$1,000—fall south of the stratosphere. The clothier takes 25 measurements to nail the fit, and offers more than 10,000 fabric options. For more casual threads, Q's new next-door sister store **Rye 51** (713.523.8222) has also bowed, with high-end denim and sportswear labels like Varvatos, Diesel, Levi's and Riviera Club. The man-cave-like space has exposed brick walls, a whiskey bar and a lounge with flat-screens. —AB

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