

# style

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## Summer in Maine

Coastal Maine has a summer landscape all its own, with colors that shift as fast as the New England weather.

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Walk down the boardwalk to the beach, through sandy grasslands, roped off to protect wildlife habitats on either side. The seascape stretches in a crescent swoop as far as the eye can see, but the palette—warm sand, sea grass green, deep sea blue, sand-dollar white—is what inspires us the most. ➔

### ECO-SWIMSUIT

Made from recycled materials, this bikini is sexy and sustainable. Eco Swim by Aqua Green hires a full-time sustainability director and organizes ocean and beach cleanups. **Eco Swim Eco Tropical Bikini**, \$122; [ecoswim.com/stores](http://ecoswim.com/stores)



## A WHALE TALE

This lightweight 100 percent linen shawl is inspired by whale-watching, a time-honored tradition in Maine. It measures 40" x 80" and is hand silk-screened using AZO-free dyes.

**Thomas Paul Baleen Wrap**, \$132; [shopthomaspaul.com](http://shopthomaspaul.com)



### SUPER-GREEN SHADES

These chic shades are also earth-friendly: made from material derived from castor-oil seeds, the case comes from repurposed leather scraps, and sales support The Nature Conservancy's "Plant a Billion Trees" campaign, which helps protect the world's rainforests. **Marc by Marc Jacobs MMJ 261s Sunglasses**, \$139.95; [go-optic.com](http://go-optic.com)



### BEACH BAGS

Cart your gear to the water's edge in this handmade bag crafted from recycled sails. This Portland-based company also sponsored the U.S. Women's Olympic Sailing Team. \$130; [seabags.com](http://seabags.com)



### BEACH-READY BEADS

Layer up colorful glass bead bracelets handcrafted by Maasai tribal women and support economic opportunities for women in the Rift Valley in Kenya. **Leakey Collection Zulugrass Single Strand Beads**, \$21.95; [leakeycollection.com](http://leakeycollection.com)



### CLOUD COVER

These limited edition sun hats are hand-woven, colored with vegetable dyes, steamed and shaped with organic essential oils, and decorated with real gemstones. Your purchase also supports a community of women living in rural ranch lands a few hours out from Aspen, Colorado, where the company is based. **Cloud Cover Sun Hats**, \$225 to \$250; [cloudcoverhats.com](http://cloudcoverhats.com)

### STERLING SEA CREATURES

Jewelry designer Lynn Cobb created these recycled silver pendants, exact replicas of original skeletons she found while "cruising shell shops and tide pools." The sea urchin has a garnet in the center. \$185; [etsy.com/shop/lynncobb](http://etsy.com/shop/lynncobb)

SEA CREATURE PENDANTS PHOTO BY GEORGE POST



### NAUTICAL STRIPES

Lush and luxurious, these organic cotton beach towels come in red, blue or yellow stripes. A 40" x 70" size makes them perfect for cozy laying out or wrapping up. **Kassatex Spiaggia Organic Cabana Beach Towels**, \$45, available at Neiman Marcus.



#### CHAIN LINKS

Hand-crafted “vegetable ivory” Tagua nut earrings from the Ecuadorian rainforest support artists living in impoverished communities.

**Andean Collection Sunshine**

**Tagua Link Earrings, \$29;**

*theandeancollection.com.*



#### SEA BLUE BEADS

The açai seed beads in this wrap bracelet are hand-dyed and harvested from the Ecuadorian rainforest floor.

**Andean Collection Açai**

**Cuff Bracelet, \$48;**

*theandeancollection.com.*



#### ECO FLIP-FLOPS

Made in Brazil from rubber harvested sustainably in support of rainforest preservation, these flip-flops come in gold and silver. **Planet Flops, \$28; planetflops.com**



#### FEET ON DECK

Navigate slippery decks, docks and rocks in easy on, easy off vegan summer shoes with velcro straps, memory-foam foot bed and non-slip recycled rubber outsole. **Jambu Water Diva, \$99; planetshoes.com**



## SURFER MOMENT

Based in Malibu, it's no wonder these designs are surfer-inspired. This hoodie is made from 100% recycled cotton fleece, in blue, white and cream. **SurfMonk cotton fleece hoodie, \$125, surfmonk.com**