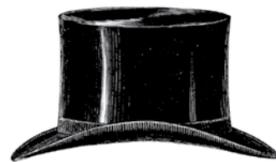


# BRITISH SUMMER Style guide

Black tie or white tie, subtlety or high drama? You won't put a fashion foot wrong at Britain's exclusive summertime events with the new *Guide To British Style*, a collaboration between DebreTT's and Bicester Village, a luxury shopping destination just outside London with some 130 boutiques. The pocket guide aims to demystify traditional and modern British fashion and decipher dress codes to events, whether you're headed for Wimbledon or Glyndebourne. Bicester Village's chief personal stylist Fiona Huntingford and DebreTT's share some of the musts and mustn'ts, and shopping tips for the upcoming season

## Glyndebourne according to DebreTT's

"The Glyndebourne Opera Festival founder, John Christie, felt formal dress demonstrated respect to the performers and for this reason formal evening dress is a requirement. Traditionally, this suggests black tie for men and women but white dinner jackets, tartan trews and kilts have all been seen as variations to the classic black. In honour of both the performers and the beautiful backdrop, making an effort is encouraged at Glyndebourne, although one must make sure to avoid any headwear which obstructs the view of the audience. Picnickers should also look for something relaxed and comfortable, whilst of course factoring in the British weather. The perils of sinking through the grass when picnicking mean that flats or wedges would be the most appropriate for women, whilst polished or patent black lace-ups are customary for men in black tie. Both fine or costume jewellery can be worn with formal evening wear."



### Royal Ascot - June 20-24

"Ascot has strict dress codes that need to be adhered to depending on the enclosure you will be in, however a formal day dress with a hat for ladies is a minimum. L.K.Bennett has a great selection with three-quarter-length sleeves, below-the-knee skirts and covers-ups, if required."

### Wimbledon - July 3-16

"At Wimbledon, attire depends on whether you're sitting next to the Royals on Centre Court or having strawberries and cream on Murray Mound. There is no official dress code for either, but if the weather is good opt for a pretty day dress from Oscar de la Renta and wedges or flats from Tory Burch."

### The Last Night Of The Proms - Sept 9

"There isn't an official dress code but black tie is very common, preferably with a Union Jack twist. Men should head to Charles Tyrwhitt for patriotic cuff links and women to Vivienne Westwood for statement Union Jack-inspired printed dresses and accessories."

### Glastonbury - June 21-25

"Be prepared for the wonderful British weather to be as varied as ever. Head to Hunter for an amazing selection of weather-proof items from their iconic wellington boots to fantastic coloured ponchos and umbrellas - you'll be ready to party whatever the weather."



## NED'S WORLD

PICK YOUR POISON: A MEMBER'S club, five-star hotel or restaurant hub? Or don't bother choosing and head to The Ned, the newest ultra-exclusive hotspot from the founder behind Soho House. Set within the erstwhile Midland Bank building in City of London and named for the building's 1920s designer, Sir Edwin "Ned" Lutyens, The Ned's members and hotel guests will be privy to facilities from top to bottom, such as a rooftop pool, spa and hammam, and an all-hours cocktail lounge situated in what was once the bank's vault. The hotel's 252 rooms pay homage to the '20s and '30s era with vintage pieces, chandeliers, and brass and mahogany furnishings to glamorous effect. And arrive with an appetite, as the 3,000-sqm banking hall is home to eight restaurants, such as Cececoni's, that specialise in various cuisines, from New York-style deli sandwiches to classic French.

## DON'T MISS

UK STAR-CHEF JAMIE OLIVER IS SET TO TOUCH DOWN AT VIENNA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ANY MINUTE NOW WITH THREE MORE ADDITIONS TO HIS GLOBAL PORTFOLIO. TERMINAL 3 WILL CONTAIN A JAMIE'S DELI (FROM MAY 2017), A JAMIE'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT (FROM DECEMBER 2017) AND A BAR (FROM MID-2018)

## SIP, SPA, REPEAT



IT'S TOUGH WORK SIPPING ALL THOSE ITALIAN VINOS, a fact that the grand 18th-century estate and hotel, Borgo Pignano, has taken seriously with the opening of its new relaxation and wellness haven. Inspired by the pristine Tuscan landscape surrounding it - from the gardens and the flower meadows to organic farmlands - Borgo Pignano Spa proffers treatments with estate-grown organic ingredients created by trained herbalists to ensure guests are revitalised and in rude health for another day of vineyard hopping. Dripping in history, natural inspiration and an atmosphere of relaxation, spa-goers are cosseted within private treatments rooms and refreshed in the spa's limestone-carved infinity pool with show-stopping Tuscan views. The historical estate is a destination itself, a hamlet dating back to Etruscan times and positioned amid 750 acres of land on one of the highest points in Tuscany commanding views to the Mediterranean - and hosting just 14 rooms and eight unique maisonettes and cottages, exclusivity is guaranteed.