

# Finishing touches for your wedding outfit

Accessories help to inject colour and flair to a wedding guest outfit. **Catherine Hufton** picks her favourite show-stopping pieces from the brands at shopping destination Bicester Village

**A**re you off to a wedding this summer? You've probably already started planning the perfect dress for the occasion. But have you thought about your accessories? From a beautiful pair of heels to an elegant bag and statement hat, these final touches can make or break a look. Discover the key trends of the season and the pieces that will make your outfit stand out for all the right reasons – and where better to find them than at Bicester Village, which is currently hosting its summer sale?

## The STATEMENT EARRING

The statement earring continues to be one of the hottest accessories of the moment and you will love the modern edge it brings to a classic wedding outfit. Fine jewellery label Annoushka has some beautiful and fun pieces that combine 18-carat gold with precious and semi-precious stones. Love hearts, hands of Fatima and teardrop pendants are just a few standouts that will inject your look with a touch of romance and irreverence. For a high-fashion feel, luxury Italian fashion label Marni has created some of the season's most coveted earrings. Choose from its extensive range of gobstopper designs crafted in high-shine crystals, oversized stones and flowers – just be sure to keep the rest of your accessories to the bare minimum to let the jewels have their star moment.

## The FITTING SHOE

If you fancy adding a touch of sparkle to your outfit, consider a beautiful embellished heel. This trend is especially effective if you're opting for a more understated dress in a midi length or a slick trouser suit with a cropped leg. For high-octane glamour, head to Giuseppe Zanotti, whose summer line is drenched in crystals, embellished butterflies and high-shine metallic finishes – or to Rupert Sanderson for pretty updates on his signature sky-high sandals and pumps. From delicate petals to rose jewel details and almond-toed silhouettes, his elegant collection will leave you well and truly spoiled for choice. (Each design is fitted with a comfortable insole too, so there's no excuse for not hitting the dance floor.) If you're looking for a flatter option for a beach wedding, Oscar de la Renta has some beautiful beaded styles in an array of exotic finishes.

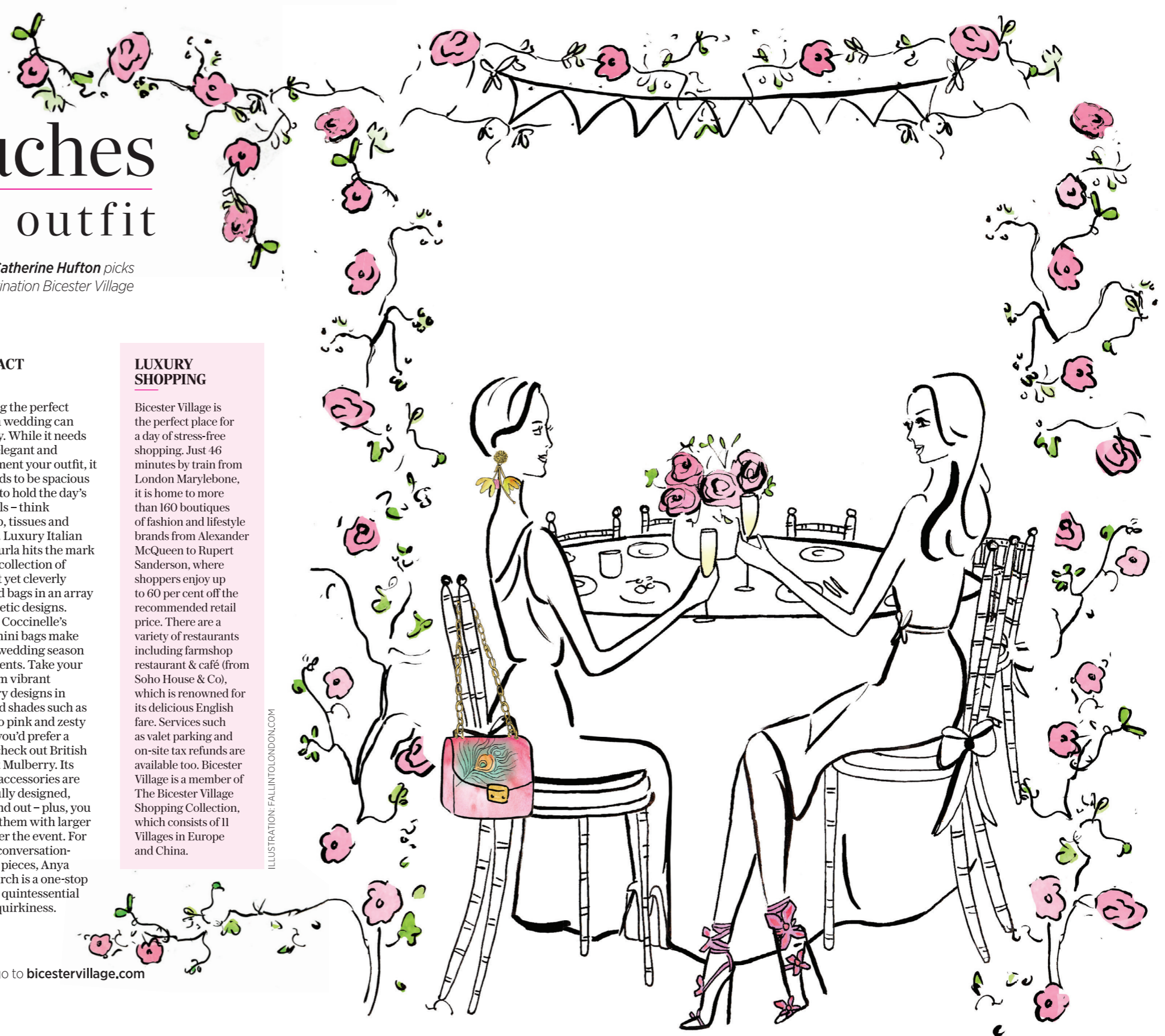
## The COMPACT BAG

Choosing the perfect bag for a wedding can be tricky. While it needs to look elegant and complement your outfit, it also needs to be spacious enough to hold the day's essentials – think make-up, tissues and confetti. Luxury Italian brand Furla hits the mark with its collection of compact yet cleverly designed bags in an array of energetic designs. Equally, Coccinelle's dainty mini bags make perfect wedding season investments. Take your pick from vibrant summery designs in feel-good shades such as flamingo pink and zesty lime. If you'd prefer a clutch, check out British stalwart Mulberry. Its smaller accessories are beautifully designed, inside and out – plus, you can use them with larger totes after the event. For playful conversation-starting pieces, Anya Hindmarch is a one-stop shop for quintessential British quirkiness.

## LUXURY SHOPPING

Bicester Village is the perfect place for a day of stress-free shopping. Just 46 minutes by train from London Marylebone, it is home to more than 160 boutiques of fashion and lifestyle brands from Alexander McQueen to Rupert Sanderson, where shoppers enjoy up to 60 per cent off the recommended retail price. There are a variety of restaurants including farmshop restaurant & café (from Soho House & Co), which is renowned for its delicious English fare. Services such as valet parking and on-site tax refunds are available too. Bicester Village is a member of The Bicester Village Shopping Collection, which consists of 11 Villages in Europe and China.

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