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Work & play: Editor's picks

Stay in the shades

With the steamy hot weather, it's always important to put on sunscreen lotion and wear shades. Head down to Lane Crawford for the newest sunglasses by the likes of Cutler and Gross and Victoria Beckham and get shady.

A+ Cover up your eye bags

A- Looking suspicious



Life's a beach

Beat the heat and stay cool on the beach with these accessories

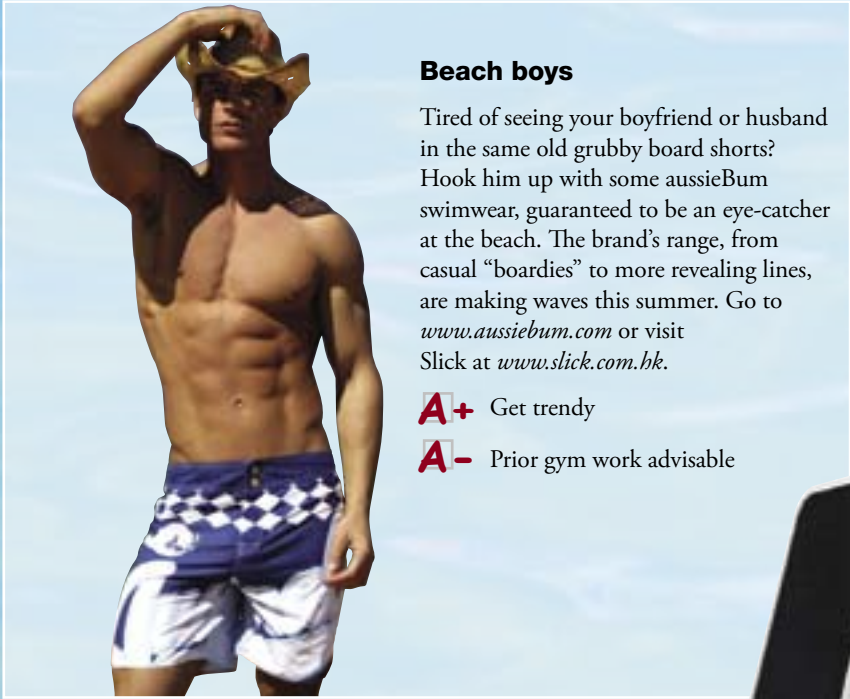


Turn up the heat

Swedish fashion chain H&M and disco diva Kylie Minogue have joined hands to raise the temperature this summer. The fashion label has created an "H&M loves Kylie" line of limited edition beachwear to push a relaxed meets disco style. With 15 items to choose from, the inferno has moved out of the disco and onto the beach.

A+ Take fashion tips straight from the disco diva

A- Running into other Kylie wannabes



Beach boys

Tired of seeing your boyfriend or husband in the same old grubby board shorts? Hook him up with some aussieBum swimwear, guaranteed to be an eye-catcher at the beach. The brand's range, from casual "boardies" to more revealing lines, are making waves this summer. Go to www.aussiebum.com or visit Slick at www.slick.com.hk.

- A+** Get trendy
- A-** Prior gym work advisable



Having a blast

Turn up the volume at your beach party with XtremeMac's MicroBlast, the first portable speakers designed for iPod nano. Powered by four AA batteries, it comes with a cover to protect your nano on the go, which also doubles as its base. Blast off at www.xtrememac.com.

- A+** Turn the beach into a party zone
- A-** You are a nuisance



Casual cool

Look cool and stay casual with flip-flops, boardshorts, tank tops and more from Billabong. See www.billabong.com.au for details.

- A+** Nice and comfortable
- A-** Being mistaken for a hippie