Holiday Happenings

Finding Sensational Seasonal Buys For Less

(NAPSA)—This season, the "thrill of the find" is more gratifying than ever.

From strappy heels in garnet red to a shearling coat to a set of classic building blocks, it's all about the joy of discovering the latest in designer and brand names at 20 to 60 percent less than department and specialty stores every day.

Here are some tips for this season's hottest fashion and gift-giving trends from Marshalls shopping expert Jennifer DeBarge-Goonan:

- Work day to night play. Transforming sensible workwear into an elegant evening ensemble is as easy as adding accessories in rich gem tones and metallics. A classic sweater set in ruby red instantly becomes an evening affair with the addition of a dazzling necklace and dangling earrings. Add a sparkling sequined top and strappy satin heels in the season's unexpected colors—royal blue and purple—to black work pants for dancing after dark.
- Winter wonderland. Fur or faux, winter's best investment is a lush and cozy shearling coat. Look for full length shearling coats in warm coppers, chocolate browns and caramel tans, and pair with the season's must have accessories—a wool fedora, a long hand-knit granny scarf and chenille gloves. An ultra soft cashmere turtleneck in moss green or lavender completes this sophisticated look.
- Casual separates. Since the holidays bring people together, looking polished is a must. A soft suede jacket in camel adds instant respectability when worn over a burgundy shell and paired with a



The "thrill of the find" makes shopping an adventure for those who like to find more for less.

neutral pair of tailored slacks. A classic black leather jacket has attitude without being intimidating, and a velvet blazer in a rich jewel tone looks great over khakis, jeans or a satin skirt.

• Gifts that keep on giving. Couples can keep the embers burning with a restoring bath and massage kit, delicate silver jewelry and masculine cufflinks or a personalized photo album documenting the years together.

Walkie talkies, puzzles and toy cars keep little boys busy, while sweet baby dolls with coordinating clothes and picture books are loved by little girls.

Scented candles, a pretty purse mirror, or a picture frame each say "happy holidays" to friends and coworkers. Even dogs deserve a luxurious cozy fleece bed to keep them warm this holiday season.

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