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# Planet Rehab Shows How Working Together Benefits the Planet

If it takes a village to raise a child, the same could be said about creating a sustainable capsule collection.

During **Munich Fabric Start**, the international textile trade show held Jan. 29–31 in Germany, a partnership of several companies unveiled the **Planet Rehab** capsule collection.

The partnership brought together sustainable-apparel specialists from around the globe, including Guatemalan designer Juan Carlos Gordillo, Austrian textile company **Lenzing**, Spanish fabric producer **Tejidos Royo**, Italian sustainable dye maker **Officina+39** and **Tonello**, an Italian wash specialist.

The Planet Rehab collection incorporates Lenzing's **Tencel** and Tencel x Refibra lyocell fabrics manufactured by Tejidos Royo and dyed using Officina+39's Recycrom process, with Tonello providing the finishing process.

"Personally I could see the whole process, and this gives me confidence to show and say that Planet Rehab is transparent and 100 percent earth friendly," Gordillo said.

"As a designer, it is important for me to try to show this message to the industry but also to the public because all the actions we do to nature, especially water, come back to each one of us."

From design to manufacturing, all companies that participated in this collaboration

was a genuine synergy between companies that are investing huge efforts in green innovations during the last few years with a sustainable-oriented designer like Juan Carlos Gordillo."

The womenswear capsule includes blouses, pants, shorts, skirts and outerwear that

purple, gray, light green and different tones of blue.

"Juan Carlos has proven Planet Rehab's premise that global collaboration of sustainability-minded companies can result in gorgeous designs that are made with respect for the environment," Tricia Carey, Lenzing



recognized the importance of showing how sharing ideas and coming together to produce more ecologically created clothing can be done successfully.

"We strongly believe in this type of co-operation. Planet Rehab was a real catalyzer for a positive change," Officina+39's chief executive officer, Andrea Venier, said. "It

feature details such as ruffling and a unique use of buttons and bows. Through this Latin-inspired collection, Gordillo was able to showcase the capabilities of sustainable-apparel supply-chain practices with innovative fibers and fabrics, safer dyes and washes that can provide unique accents. The Planet Rehab capsule has pieces in hues of red, yellow,

Group's director of global business development for denim, said in a statement.

"Companies who want to be in business 100 years from now must become cleaner and more sustainable right now," noted Jose Royo of Tejidos Royo. "Planet Rehab represents the business model of the future."

—Dorothy Crouch



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## TECHNOLOGY

### University of Maryland Researchers Create Fabric With Environment- Dependent Insulation

Researchers at the **University of Maryland** have developed a new fabric that would make your body cooler when the weather warms up.

The new textile regulates its insulation capabilities when exposed to different environments, according to the school's Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

Through coating polymer yarns with a conductive metal, researchers found that infrared radiation can be "gated"—a term that means it can transmit or block heat.

"This is the first technology that allows us to dynamically gate infrared radiation," YuHuang Wang, a University of Maryland professor of chemistry and biochemistry and a coauthor of the paper, said in a statement.

Wang and other scientists conducted research that contributed to the report, called "Dynamic Gating of Infrared Radiation in a Textile," released Feb. 8 by *Science*, a journal published by the **American Association for the Advancement of Science**.

Within the yarn exist two synthetic components. Each one has a different relationship with water—one that absorbs and a second that repels. The triacetate-cellulose bimorph fibers are coated with a lightweight

metal, which is carbon nanotubes responding to stimuli by either permitting the passage of infrared radiation or blocking the energy.

"When the fibers are brought closer together, the radiation they interact with changes," Wang explained. "In clothing, that means the fabric interacts with the heat radiating from the human body."

When heat and humidity rise, these yarn fibers compress, opening their pores and releasing heat, which cools the body. As the human body cools, the process will operate in reverse to conserve heat.

The fabric can be woven, washed and dyed, researchers said. While additional studies must be conducted before the fabric is introduced for commercial use, the research team believes this new innovation could benefit the apparel industry.

"[This] fabric is a true bidirectional regulator," said Min Ouyang, a University of Maryland physics professor and coauthor of the paper. "I think it's very exciting to be able to apply this gating phenomenon to the development of a textile that has the ability to improve the functionality of clothing and other fabrics."—*Dorothy Crouch*

## SUSTAINABILITY

### Polartec to Increase Recycled and Biodegradable Materials Across Entire Product Line

Building upon its Eco-Engineering process, which produces high-performance sustainable fabrics, **Polartec** has launched a new campaign to utilize recycled and biodegradable materials throughout its entire product line.

The eco-engineering initiative is a collaboration that will see Polartec of Andover, Mass., work with the San Francisco Bay Area's sustainable-textiles company **Intrinsic Advanced Materials** and **Unifi**, the Greensboro, N.C., company that produces Repreve and Profiber.

"By collaborating with the best in the business, Polartec is committing to the pursuit of a future where everything is eco engineered to use recycled inputs and to be biodegradable," said Polartec Chief Executive Officer Gary Smith in a statement. "This is the culmination of more than 25 years of Polartec investment and innovation."

Using Intrinsic Advanced Materials' Ciclo technology and Unifi yarns, Polartec will set out to create fleeces and breathable, waterproof membranes that are fully recyclable and biodegradable.

"By working with leaders from our industry, we strive to create innovative products that are synergistic with key technologies like recycling," Kevin Hall, Unifi's chief executive officer, said in a press release. "We look forward to this journey toward developing biodegradable materials and for more industry partners to join the sustainable pathway."

Unifi's fibers and Ciclo—the technology that supports sustainable-apparel manufacturing through minimizing microfiber and plastic pollution—are key elements in Polartec's investment in more-ecologically sound textile manufacturing.

"After years of R&D to create a solution for biodegradability, we're thrilled to partner with the inventor of technical fleece and leader in performance knits to bring Ciclo to market as part of Polartec Eco-



Engineering," Intrinsic Advanced Materials Chief Executive Officer Andrea Ferris said in a statement.

As Polartec commits to creating the first line of fleece, additional knits, insulation fills and breathable, waterproof fabrics that are 100 percent sourced from recycled and biodegradable materials, the company will build upon its mission, which began in 1993 when it used post-consumer recycled plastics to create performance fabrics.—*D.C.*



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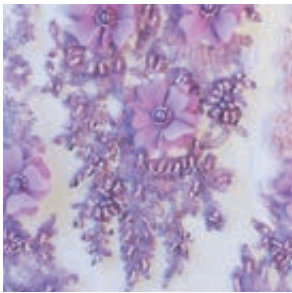
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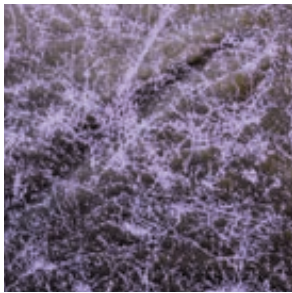
By the 4th century B.C., the color purple was worth its weight in silver. The use of purple-dyed textiles became a status symbol, and in today’s fashions purple has become a popular textile choice.



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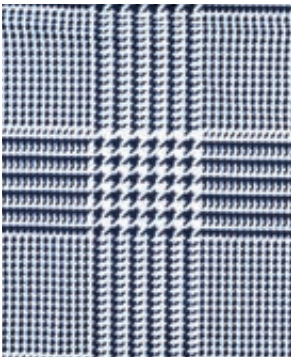
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Midnight Delight

In the 14th century, black was a very expensive color to produce and so it was worn primarily by the extremely wealthy merchant class. In modern times, it is often donned for formal events and business attire. Pairing black with white provides a vivid contrast in today’s fashions.



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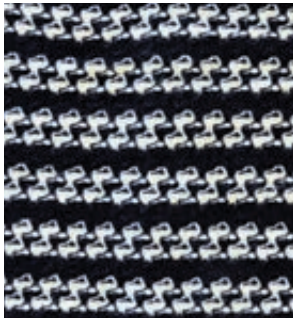
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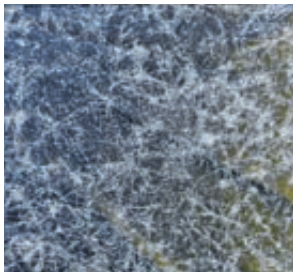
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Gold Offerings

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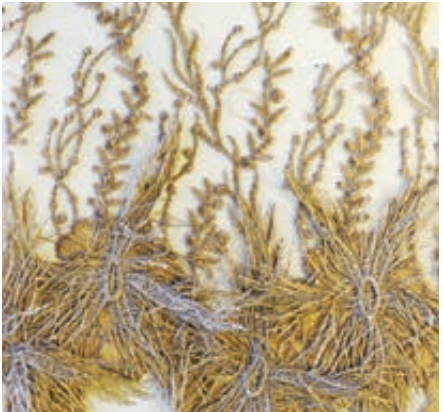
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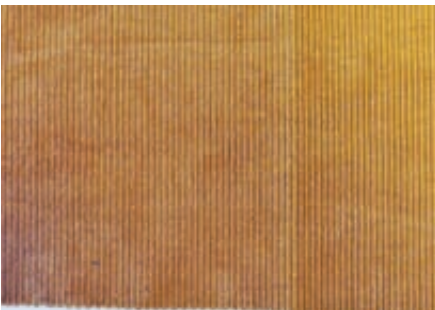
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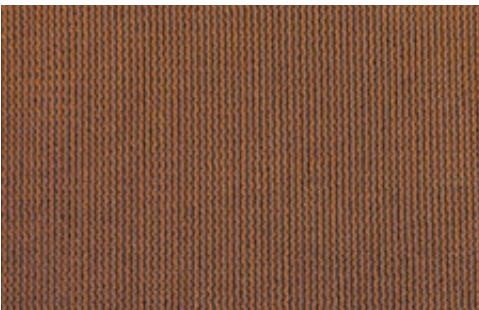
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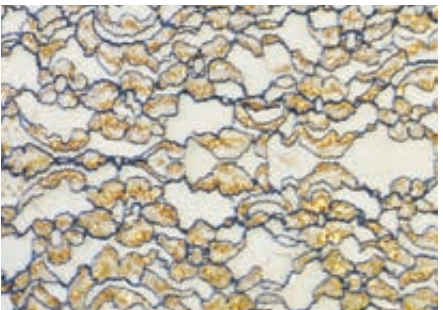
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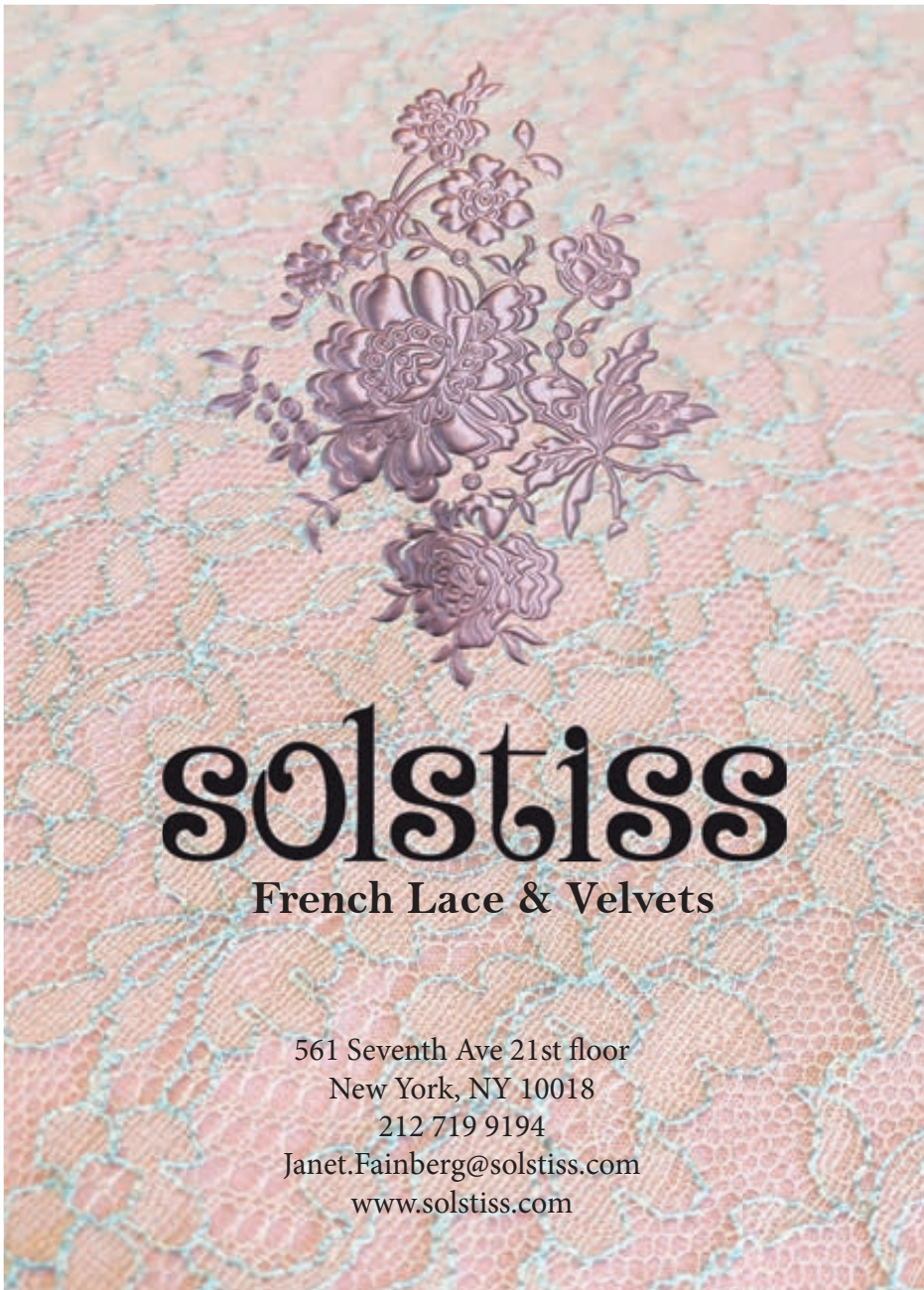
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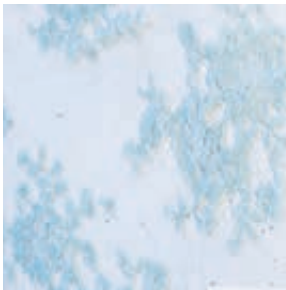
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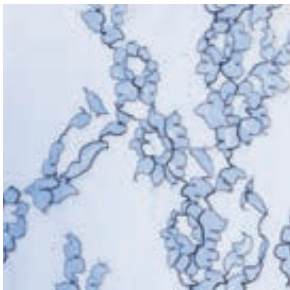
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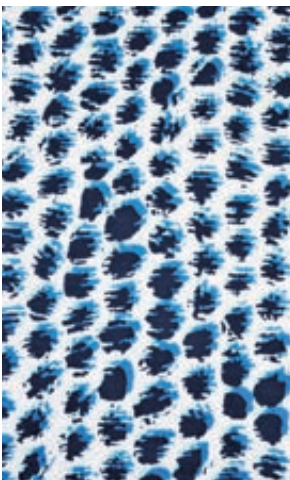
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### Putting On the Green

Once a dangerous dye to work with because it contained arsenic, green has become the color of prosperity, freshness and nature. It is also the color used by ecologically oriented movements.



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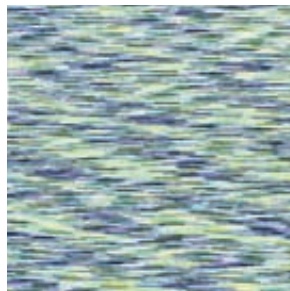
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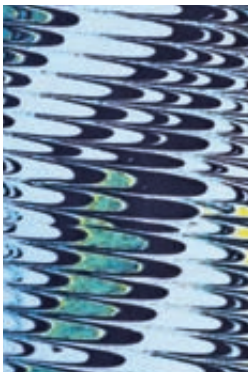
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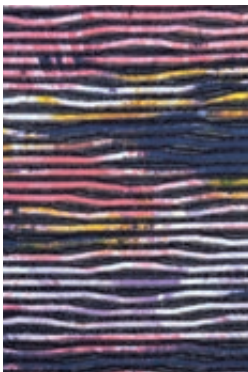
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# Polychromatic

The use of multiple colors adds interest to fashion designs. Whether in random patterns or structured lines, the use of multiple colors has become a hot fashion trend.



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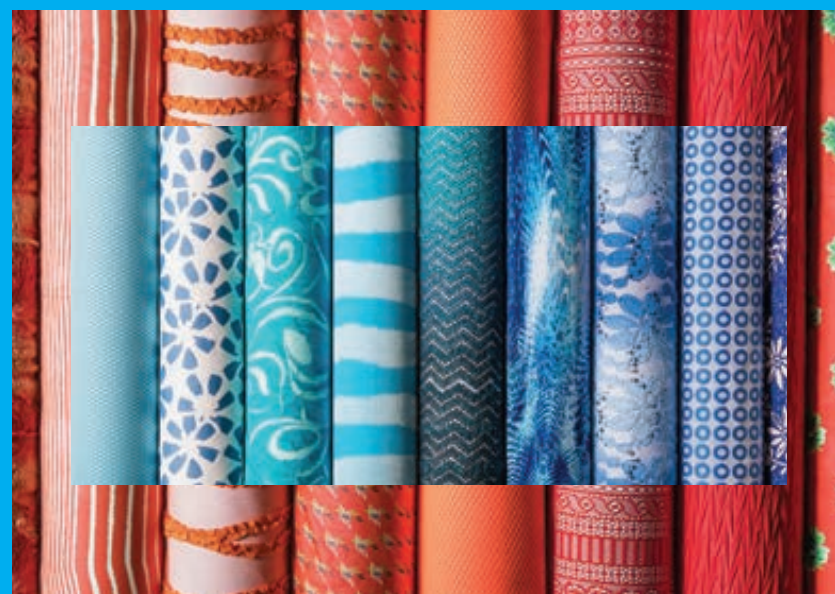




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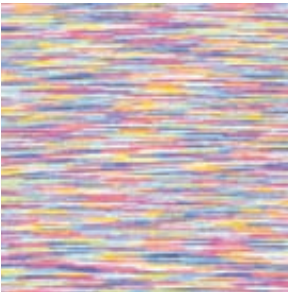


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Once considered to represent all that is quintessentially girly, pink has crossed gender boundaries and today is a color choice for men, often seen in preppy styles and streetwear.



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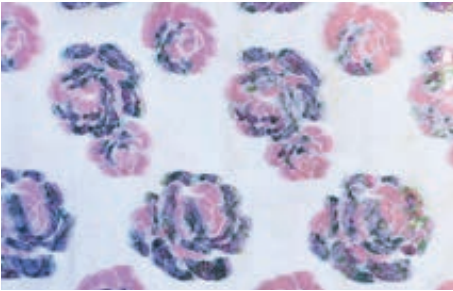
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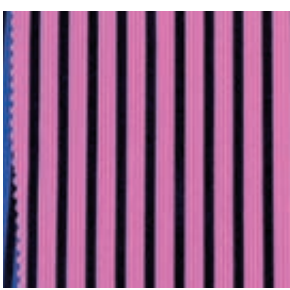
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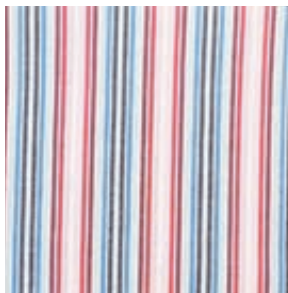
During a trip to the French Riviera, French designer Coco Chanel was inspired by workers' uniforms. She soon began applying navy-and-white stripes to her fashionable designs. In the 1950s, movie stars began wearing striped shirts. Today, stripes are still popular.



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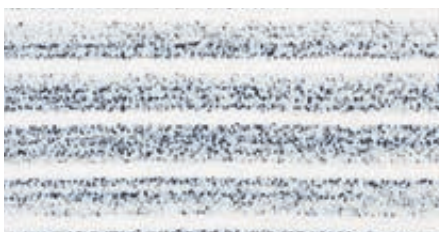
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