

## RACES

MARCIE BASKET As the weather gets warmer, woven bags are all the rage.



A day at the races is just as much about what you wear as on whom you bet. Not only are the paparazzi out in droves, but there are often strict dress codes to which to adhere. These rules are curiously specific ('hats' must be worn; however, a headpiece with a base of four inches is acceptable), and, at Ascot at least, differ depending on which area you're in (nothing shorter than kneelength in the Royal Enclosure; outside of that, you're OK). Wherever you're heading, dressing up to the nines is a must - here's how to achieve the

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perfect race-day look.

WELLS JACKET British weather is unpredictable; luckily, a pastel blazer only enhances a look.

£1,944, alexperry.com

## LUXURY LONDON COUTURE



CARNATION-PRINT DRESS Upstage the racing action with this floral show-stopper in charmeuse.

£1,600, dolcegabbana.com



BLONDIE TOP HANDLE BAG You'll see lots of clutches at Ascot, but this timeless shoulder bag will do just as well.

£2,620, gucci.com



DAZZLE FLARED COURTS The races equals florals – you can never have too many. It is spring, after all.

£349, Ikbennett.com



The timeless silhouette makes this the perfect headgear for a formal occasion.

£115, johnlewis.com

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HIGH TIDE SHIRT DRESS This silk linen organza dress is both spring-like and sophisticated.

£1,650, zimmermann.com