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## The Good Life <br> OUR WEEKLY GUIDE TO THE BEST IN TRAVEL, FASHION, FOOD, DESIGN, TECHNOLOGY AND MORE



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ALAN FLUSSER THINKS DRESSING well is a simple art-a good wardrobe, he says, "leads the viewer up to the face, where we communicate." Yet it is an art, laments the 60-year-old New York designer,
sitting in his richly decorated Fifth Avenue shop, that most men have not mastered, even after a decade of "spending more money on clothes than in our entire human history."

Dressing becomes even trickier when the man

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is constantly on the road. So Flusser, along with such designers as England's Gieves \& Hawkes and Italy's Ermenegildo Zegna, has begun making suits aimed at the international traveler, whose lifestyle often requires extended time in airplane seats and hotel rooms. "We want to orchestrate a new travel wardrobe [that is] easy and doesn't wrinkle," says Flusser.

His Traveling Light and Clothes Right package includes two suits, four shirts and ties, and one blue blazer that all match and can form 48 different combinations. The suits are made from English


POCKETS: A place for everything from BlackBerrys to passports
milled, lightweight cloth that resists wrinkles. There are extra pockets for BlackBerrys and cell phones, and even an inner hidden pocket on the waistband for credit cards. All are custom-tailored at his New York shop; the complete travel wardrobe sells for $\$ 13,250$, or $\$ 4,000$ per suit (www.alanflussercustom.com).

Zegna offers wrinkle-free and stain-resistant designer sport coats called Traveler (\$1,700 to \$1,800; zegna.com), with enough room to hold a passport and airline ticket. The full suit comes in 30 different colors ( $\$ 2,200$ to $\$ 2,500$ ). London stalwart Gieves \& Hawkes's High Twist suit has twisted yarn in the fabric to keep it from crumpling ( $\$ 1,900$; www.gievesandhawkes.com). With LAUREN MACK in New York


## ACCOMMODATIONS

## Not Your Average Rental

You don't actually have to own a Tuscan villa or a Caribbean hideaway to spend your holidays in private luxury. By joining the high-end destination club Tanner \& Haley, you can buy shares in stately residences in some of the most desirable locations on the planet. Take in the gorgeous turquoise-ocean views from your terrace at Casa del Sol, on Mexico's Bay of Banderas, or sit on the dock at Casa Estrella, located on a private island in Belize, only an hour away from one of the world's longest barrier reefs. At the cozy but exquisite Beaver Dam, you can curl up in front of the fireplace after a day of skiing the slopes of Vail. The price? A one-time 30-year membership deposit of $\$ 1.5$ million-plus an annual fee of $\$ 75,000$-for the Legendary Retreats plan, which gives you access to homes valued around the $\$ 12$ million
mark, with amenities like home spas, private theaters and 24 -hour concierge service. For $\$ 275,000$ membership and $\$ 17,500$ in yearly fees you can get the more modest Private Retreats plan, which offers slightly less spectacular properties.

Tanner \& Haley (tannerandhaley.com) offers its members access to its 150 worldwide residences 51 weeks of the year, as long as reservations are made at least 60 days beforehand. Only the week between Christmas and New Year's isn't guaranteed, due to heavy demand. The company is committed to keeping its member-to-house ratio low; when it exceeds six members per home, it simply purchases more residences. An average stay is two weeks-but, really, why would you ever want to leave?
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