

## Linen trends autumn/winter 2005/06

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### Linen accessories

On display was a selection of accessories and garments from Betty Jackson, White Stuff, Nicole Farhi, Sarah Noel, Ann-Ann, Penny Black, Locharron, Dominique Picquier and Leitner.



Locharron



accessories from Ann-Ann  
and Penny Black



Betty Jackson

**Dominique Picquier** produces printed accessories on pure linen (cotton warp and linen weft) and the designs are influenced by vegetal and floral imagery.

Ann Yasmin Chui of **Ann-Ann** has created a range of bags for Masters of Linen with fabrics sponsored by Linea Tessile Italiana. The leather and linen combination gives great contrasting surface textures.



Dominique Picquier



Ann-Ann

## Luxurious linen knitwear

European Linen has been notable in 2004 collections from designers such as Betty Jackson to Marc Jacobs and knitted linen has a much stronger presence in this season.

Knitted linen has particular benefits. The linen fibre and yarn is strong and the **good dyeing properties** for natural hues and exceptional bright tones. The properties of linen give **coolness and comfort** to the wearer.

Recent developments in linen have seen the yarn become more **supple and smooth**. Linen knits can be knitted using fine-gauge yarns or have a hand-knitted look, using the irregular structure of the fibre. Blended with cotton and wool, traditional stitches such as cable or ribs can give a rustic look.

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