

L00KB00K AW2024





## SIMPLE IMAGINATION

AW2024



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Dear customers & friends,

### SIMPLE IMAGINATION!

The AW24 collection is a captivating embodiment of the spirit of the Mid-Century and early 70s, a time when imagination reigned supreme.

This collection pays homage to an era characterized by pure lines, new patterns, and bold colors, where individuals dared to imagine completely new things and embraced innovation as a means of finding their freedom.

### Let's celebrate the power of our imagination!

For your inspiration, we invite you to watch the brief mood presentation attached to this sales kit before working with this lookbook. We promise that watching it is calming, and we hope you will conceive many easy-going, captivating, and innovative ideas and inspirations from this video.

We invite you to dive into the mood of the capturing Mid-Century era, and hope you'll be as excited as us about the new MbS AW24 collection.

You can order easily by placing your order in our convenient and easy-to-use B2B shop, meeting us personally at one of the tradeshows we're showing at, meeting your agents or distributors, or making a virtual appointment with Robert.

We genuinely appreciate your cooperation, support, and trust in us. Whatever you decide on, we sincerely hope to meet all your wishes and demands. We are happy to get your feedback if you have any ideas or comments, and we do our very best to give you the best support and service possible.

So, let's get started ...
We wish you a great season and all the best,
Cheers,
Gitta, Peter,
Robert & the Merz b. Schwanen Team

Dear customers and friends,

Welcome to the AW24 collection, where we invite you to embark on a journey of simple imagination.

This collection embodies the spirit of the Mid-Century and early 70s, a time when imagination knew no bounds. It pays homage to an era characterized by pure lines, new patterns, and bold colors, where individuals dared to dream and embraced innovation as a means of finding their freedom.

To inspire your creative process, we encourage you to watch the attached mood presentation, a brief video that captures the essence of the Mid-Century era. We promise that it will provide a calming experience and ignite easy-going, captivating, and innovative ideas and inspirations.

Immerse yourself in the mood of this capturing era and join us in celebrating the new MbS AW24 collection.

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Thank you for being a part of our journey. Let's celebrate the power of imagination together!

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# **ABOUT**MERZ B. SCHWANEN

We make original, organic, simply good basics.
Garments for all, who appreciate good timeless design, and reliable products to look and feel good, every day!

Merz b. Schwanen – the good basic!





### AW2024 Simple Imigantion!

The Merz b. Schwanen AW2024 collection seamlessly blends the essence of **Mid-Century** and **sophisticated early 70s aesthetics**, showcasing a harmonious fusion of timeless design and contemporary influences.

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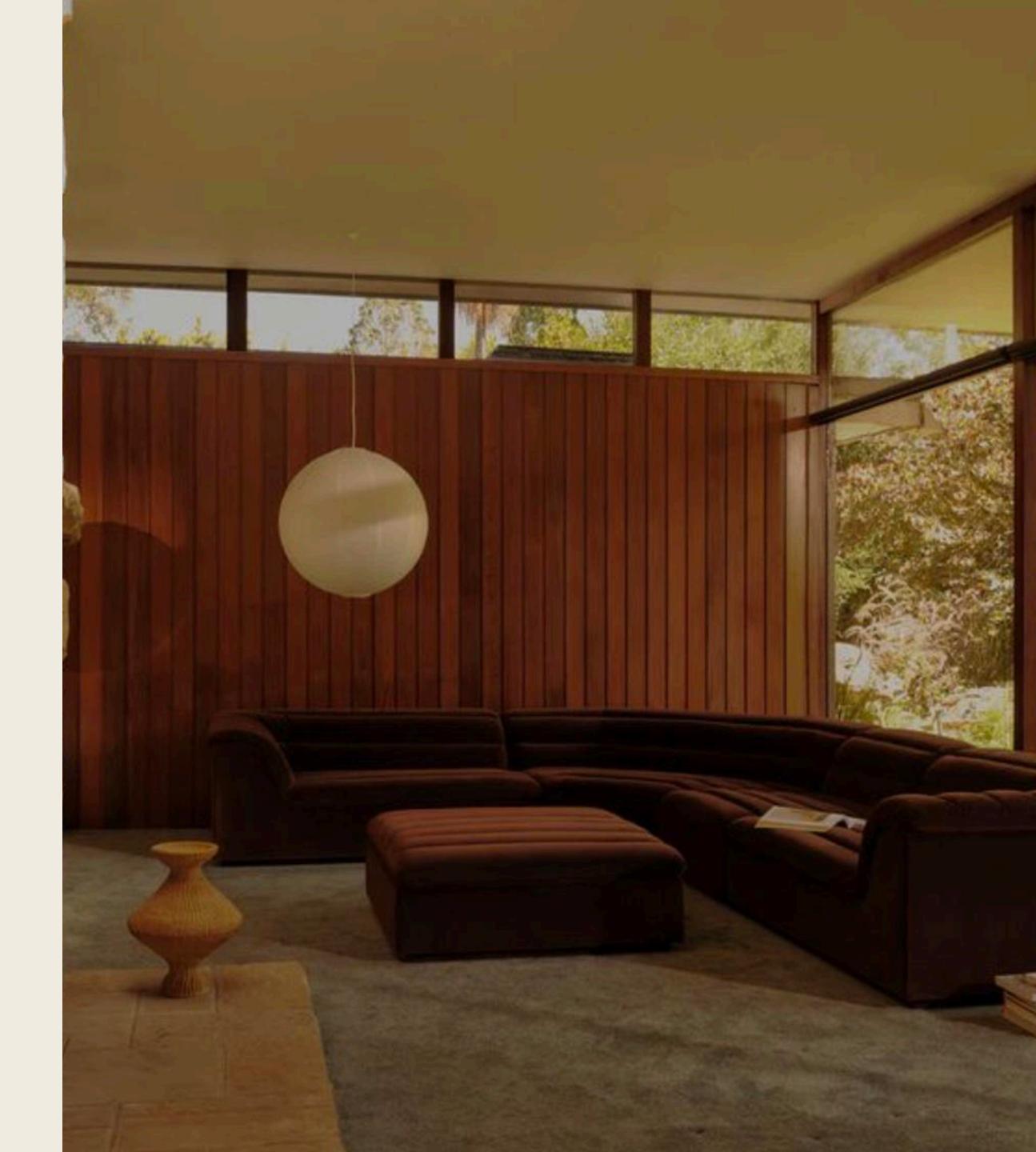
With its source in original German workwear, this collection strikes a perfect balance between functionality and fashion, catering to the modern individual's needs and desires.

The collection embraces natural colors, predominantly brown tones, subtle pumpkin nuances, and highlights of carbon blue and berry violet tones.

Broken twill and corduroy emerge as a new fabric, while stand-up turtlenecks, ribbed chunky knitwear pullovers, and boxy cropped fits add to the classic and timeless styles and shapes.

This collection pays homage to an era characterized by pure lines, new patterns, and bold colors, where individuals dared to imagine completely new things and embraced innovation as a means of finding their freedom to feel truly well.

Look and feel good. Every day!





### AW2024 colors





The color palette of this collection revolves around natural hues, with an emphasis on brown tones.

These earthy shades evoke a sense of warmth and timelessness, creating a harmonious connection to nature.

The use of carbon blue adds a distinct and noticeable contrast to the overall color scheme, enhancing the visual appeal.



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These earthy shades evoke a sense of warmth and timelessness, creating a harmonious connection to nature.

Subtle pumpkin and rosewood nuances add a touch of playfulness and versatility to the collection, allowing for easy integration into various settings. To provide contrast and depth, hues of dark burgundy and berry tones are strategically incorporated, adding a contemporary twist to the overall aesthetic.



### AW2024 colors



Warm and earthy hues such as toffee and chestnut are harmoniously combined with strong and dark blue tones, creating a captivating contrast.

The natural colors, such as toffee and chestnut, add a touch of warmth and richness to the collection, while the **strong orange tones infuse** a vibrant and energetic feel.

The combination of these colors results in a visually striking and balanced collection that is sure to make a statement.



### INSPIRATION for the MbS AW2024 COLLECTION

#### **Introduction:**

The Merz b. Schwanen AW2024 collection seamlessly blends the essence of Mid-Century and sophisticated early 70s aesthetics, showcasing a harmonious fusion of timeless design and contemporary influences. With its source in original German workwear, this collection strikes a perfect balance between functionality and fashion, catering to the modern individual's needs and desires.

The collection embraces natural colors, predominantly brown tones, subtle pumpkin nuances, and highlights of carbon blue and berry violet tones. Additionally, broken twill and corduroy emerge as new fabrics, while stand-up turtlenecks, ribbed chunky knitwear pullovers, and boxy cropped fits add to the classic and timeless styles and shapes.

### Mid-Century and Early 70s Influence:

The **Mid-Century** era, known for its clean lines and minimalist approach, serves as a foundation for this collection. It emphasizes simplicity and functionality, which are reflected in the overall design and silhouettes. The early 70s, on the other hand, introduced a sense of freedom and experimentation, allowing for more expressive and vibrant elements to be incorporated.

### **Color Palette:**

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To provide contrast and depth, highlights of a **bold carbon blue and hues of dark burgundy and berry tones** are strategically incorporated, adding a contemporary twist to the overall aesthetic.

#### Fabrics:

Two of the notable fabric choices in this collection are broken twill and medium as well as bold striped corduroy made of organic cotton.

Especially textured corduroy, with its distinctive ridges or "wales," adds depth and visual interest to the garments, while adding a sophisticated touch of a Mid-Century impression. Corduroy's durability and versatility make it an ideal choice for workwear-inspired pieces, aligning perfectly with the collection's overall theme. Its ability to hold shape and provide warmth ensures both functionality and style.

#### **Styles and Shapes:**

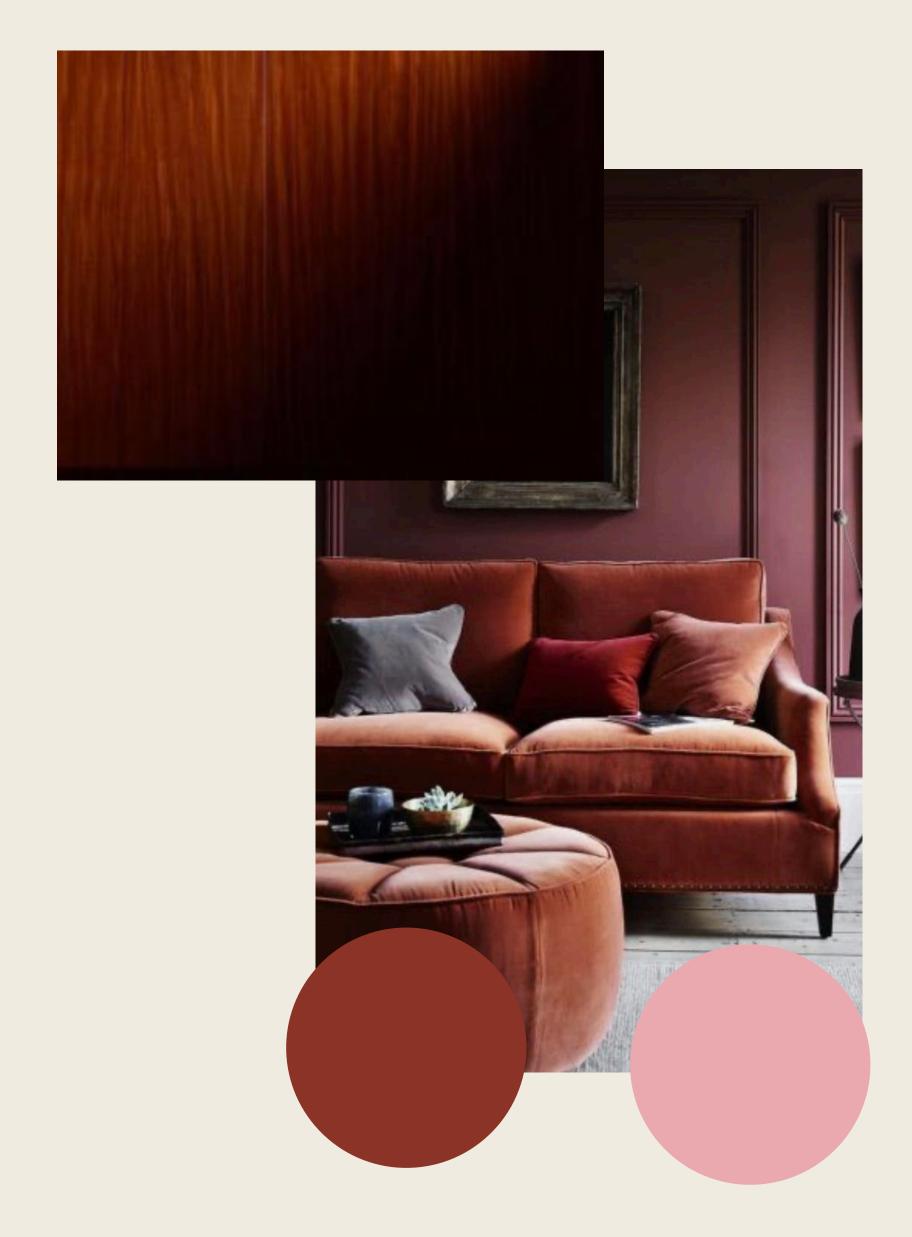
The collection embraces knitted **stand-up collars and turtlenecks** as eye-catching styles and shapes. This classic yet contemporary design element adds sophistication and versatility to the garments and the all-over theme. The high neckline not only provides warmth but also exudes a sense of elegance and refinement. **Contemporary styles combined with the Mid-Century and early 70s influences create a unique fusion of modern and timeless aesthetics**. Workwear-influenced jacket designs of bold corduroy, chunky waffle structured and ribbed pullovers of all-natural wool qualities, the chinos and a variety of accessories complement the well-known jerseys and sweatshirts.

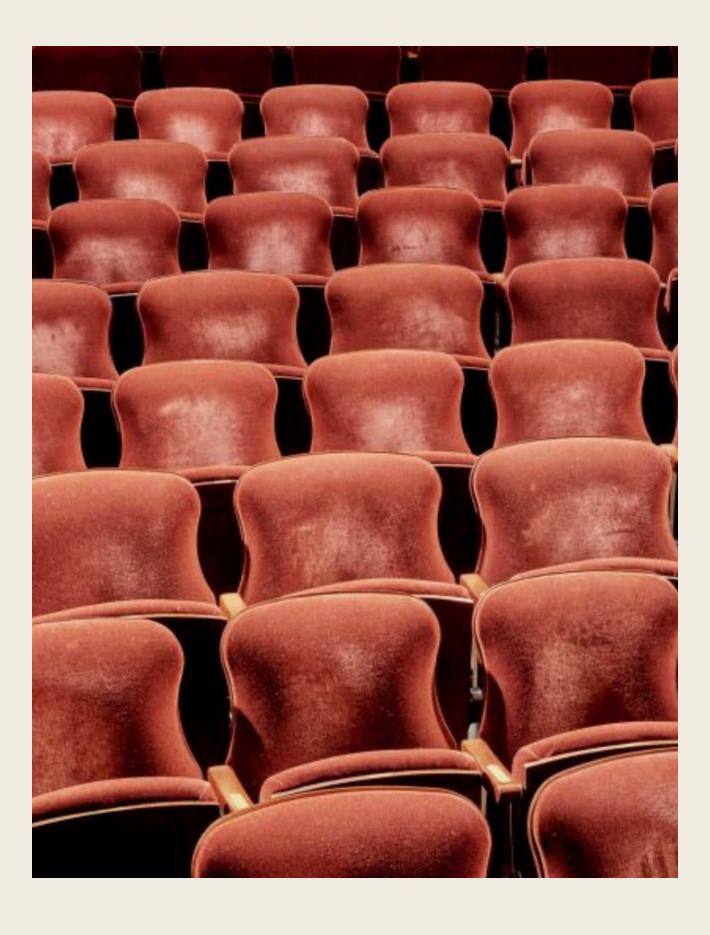
#### **Original German Workwear Influence:**

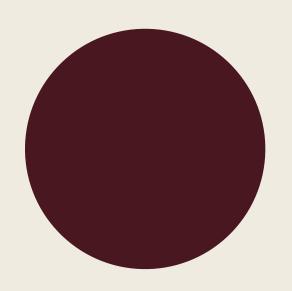
The perpetual **original German workwear** influence in the MbS collections adds a practical and utilitarian touch to the overall design. It showcases the roots and heritage where MbS comes from: Garments originally manufactured, the focus on all-natural materials and fabrics, inspired by timeless design classics and German workwear. The incorporation of functional details, such as triangle inserts under the arms, pockets and Special stitching techniques, ensure that the garments are not only fashionable but also comfortable and timeless.

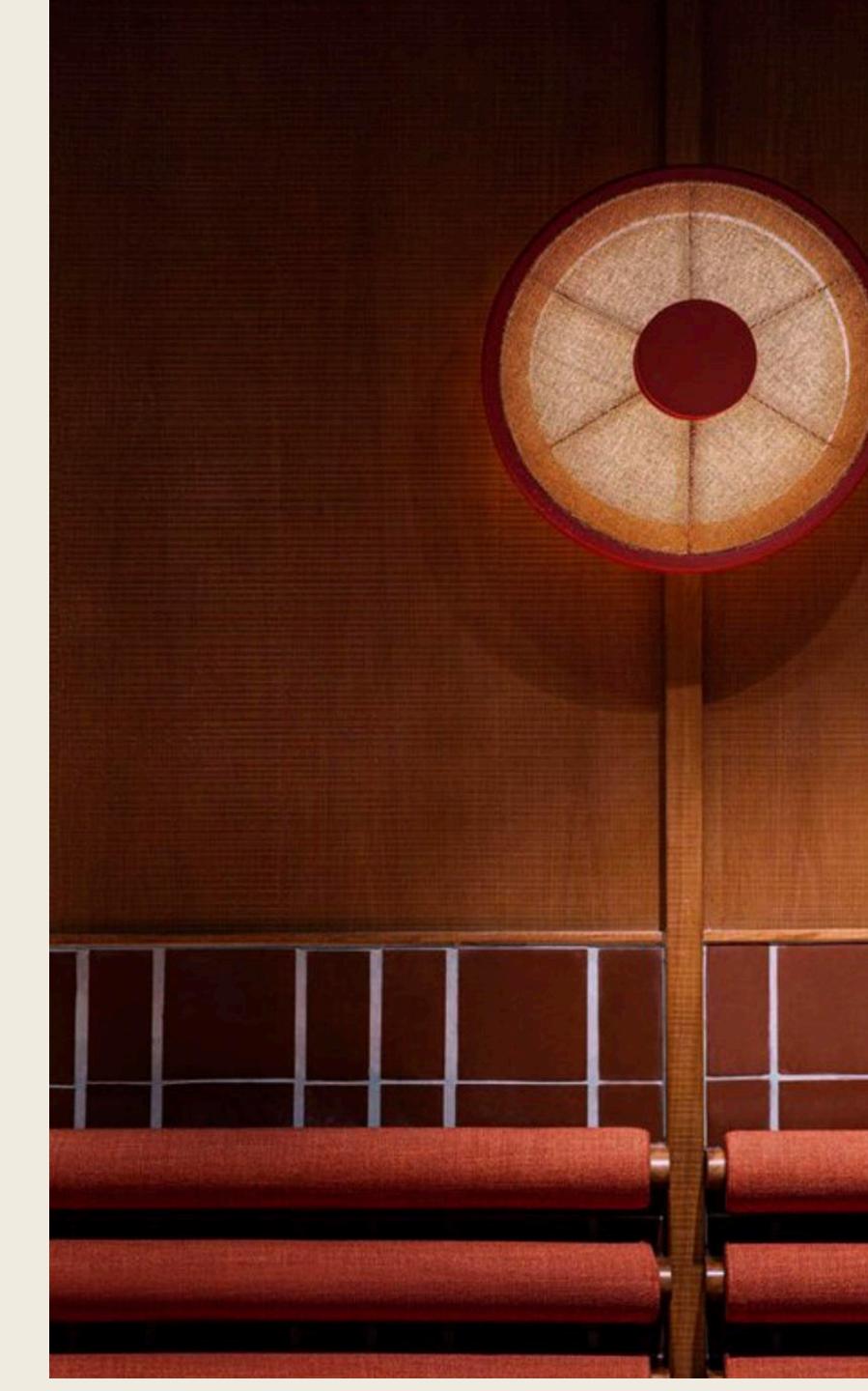
This blend of workwear elements with Mid-Century and early 70s inspiration creates a collection that is both functional and stylish, catering to the needs of the modern individual.











15 CHESTNUT 39 ROSEWOOD

506 BURGUNDY









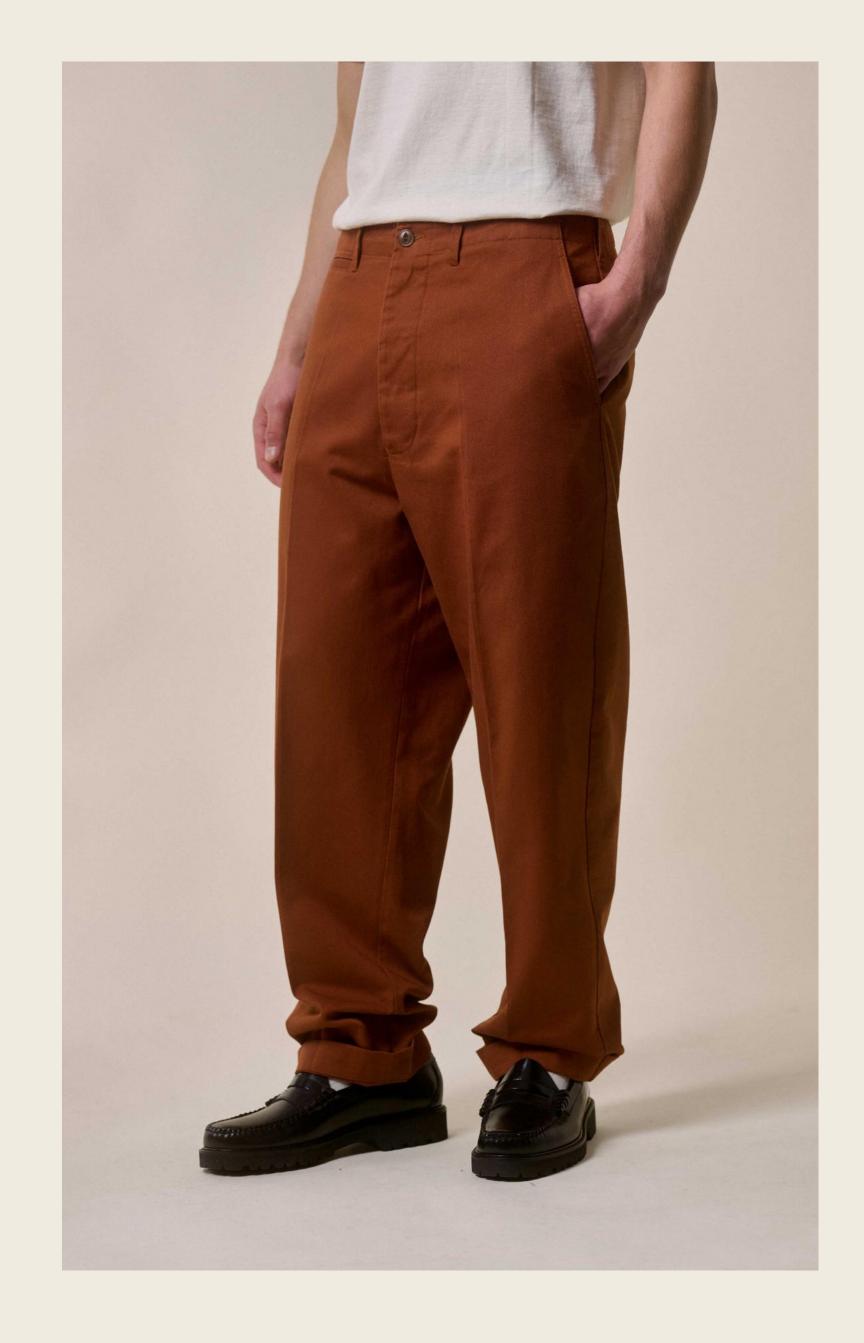






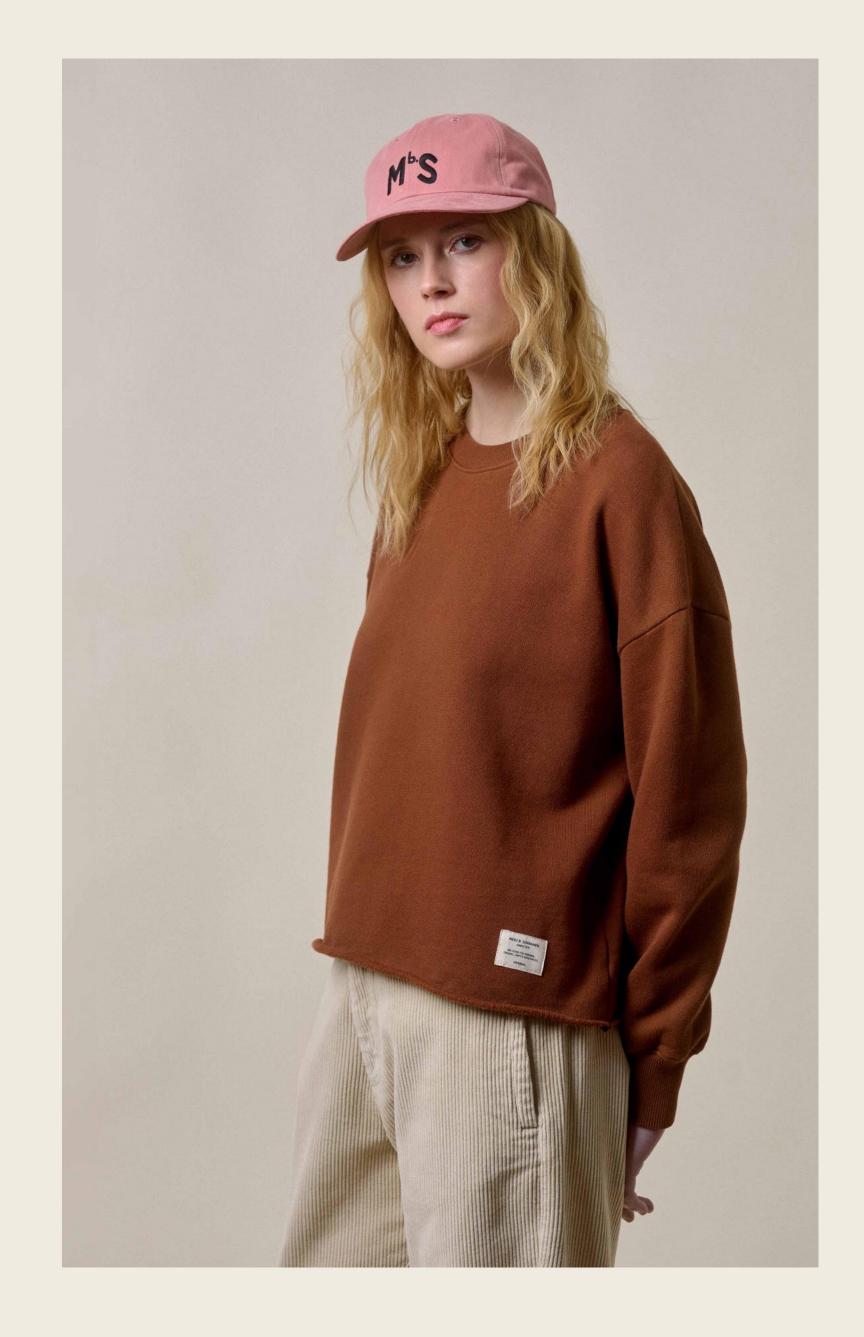


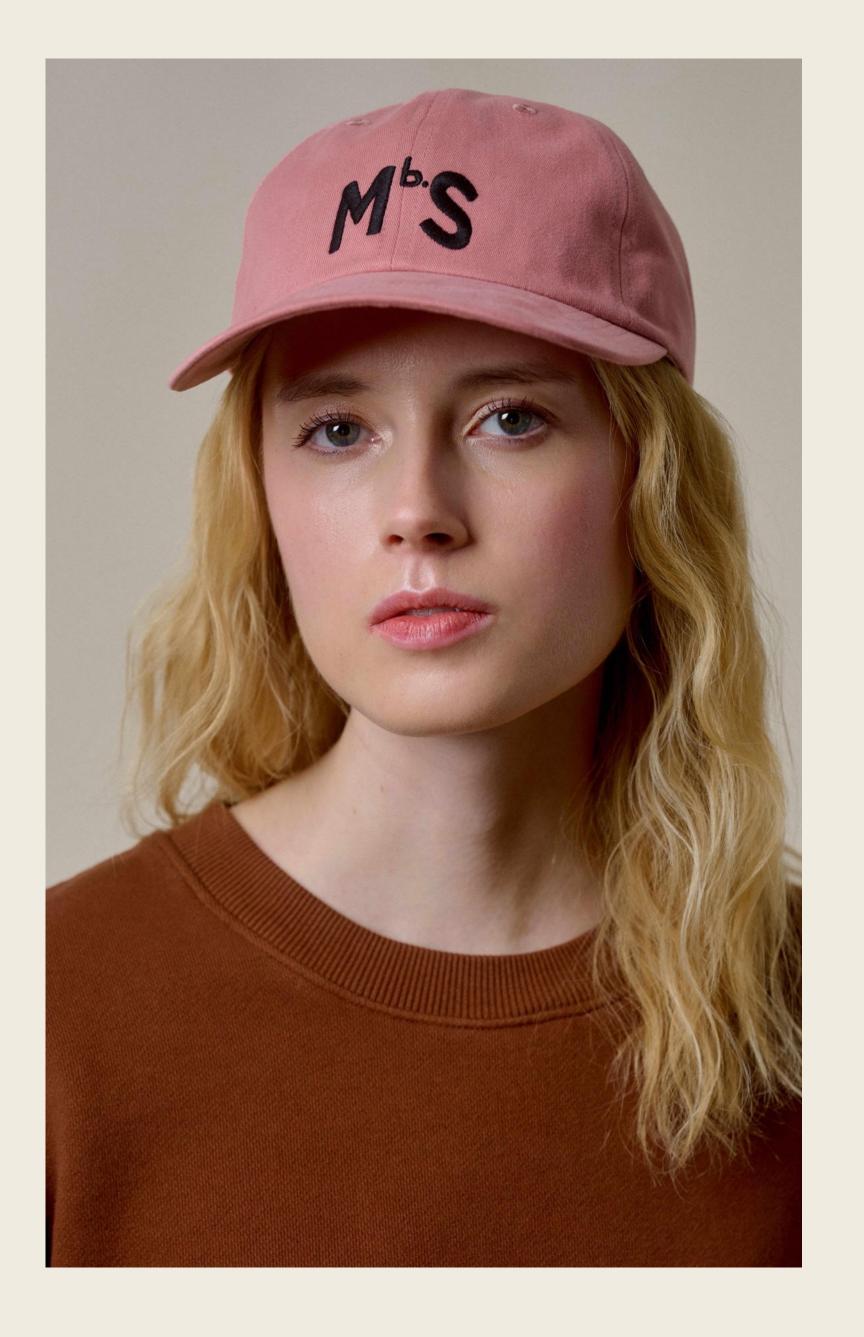


















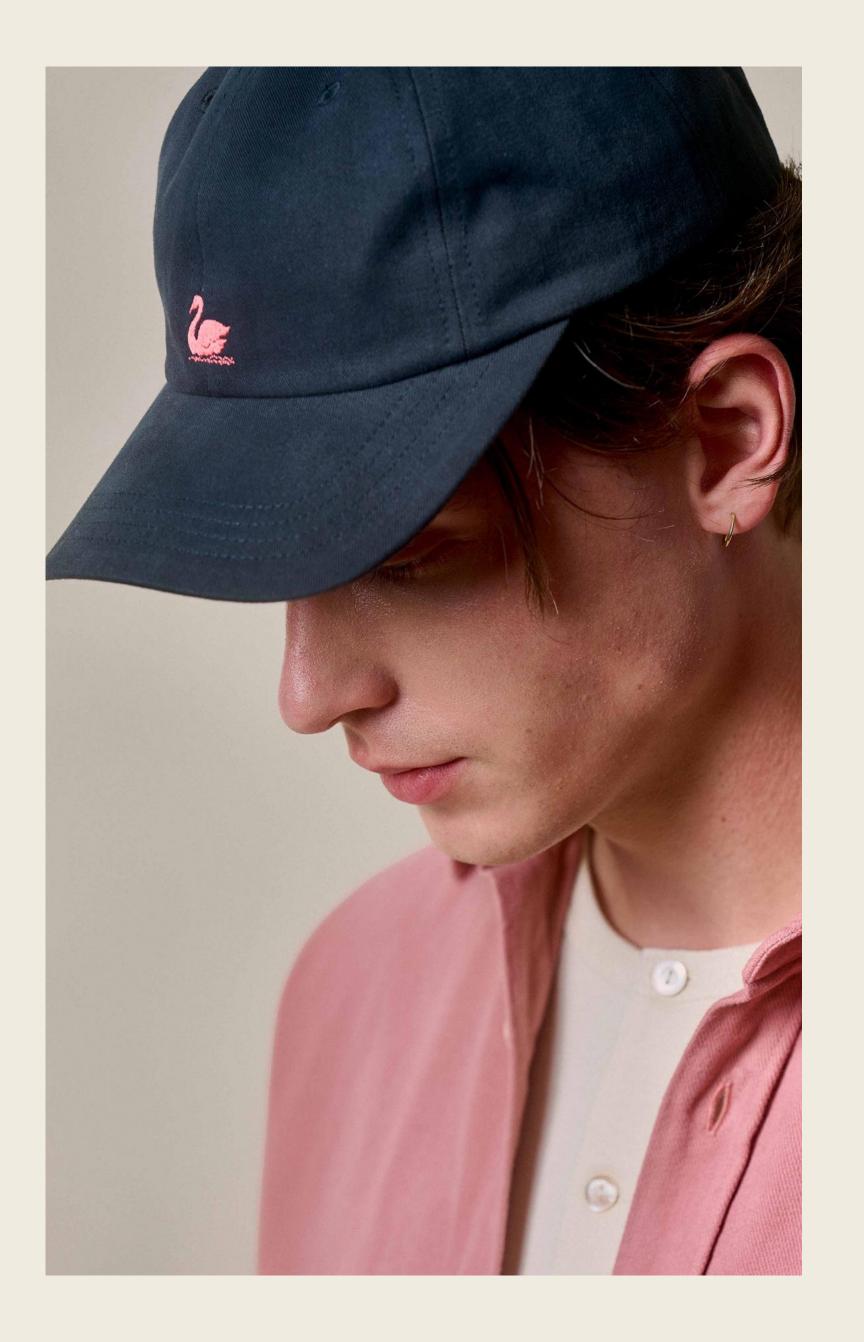






















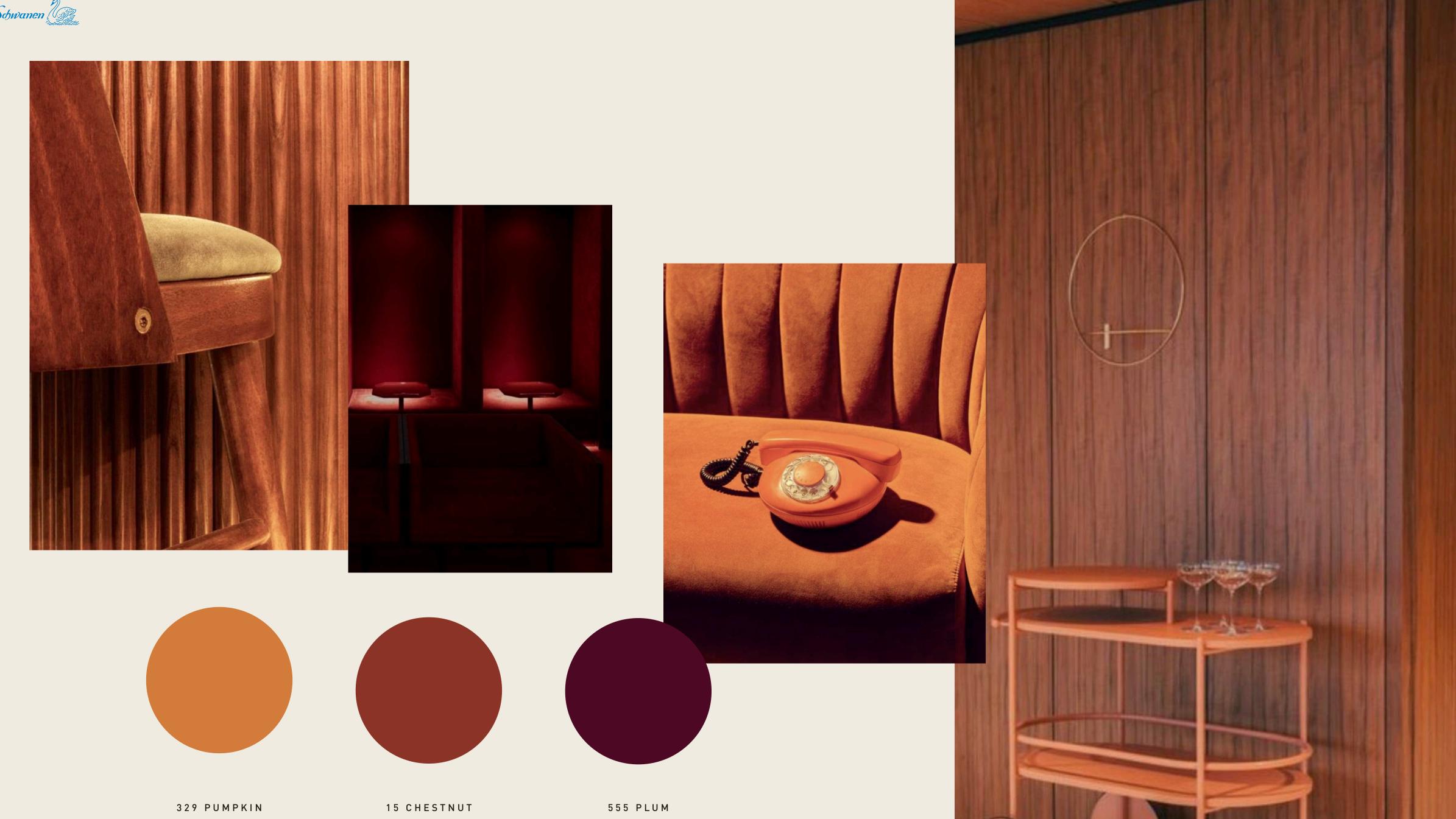


































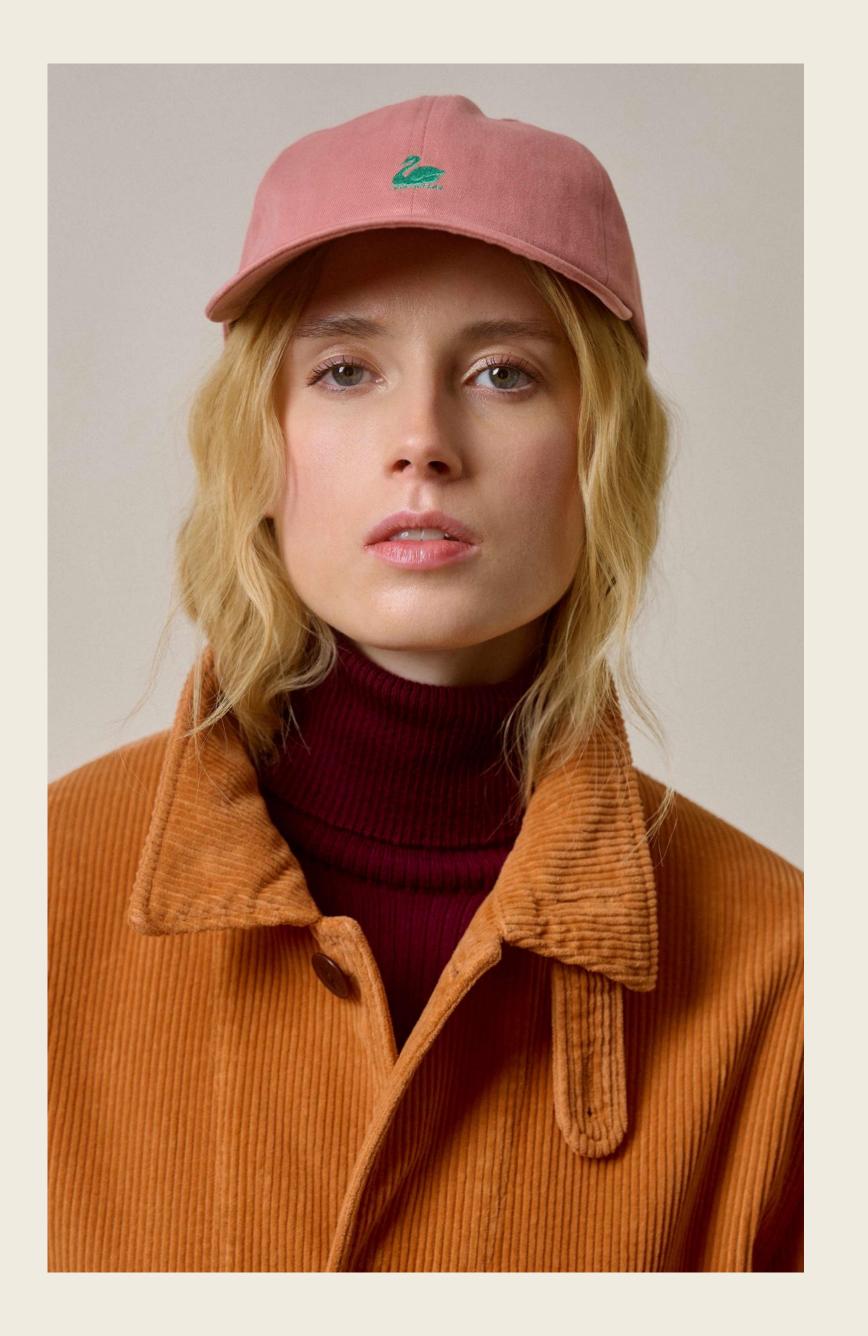
























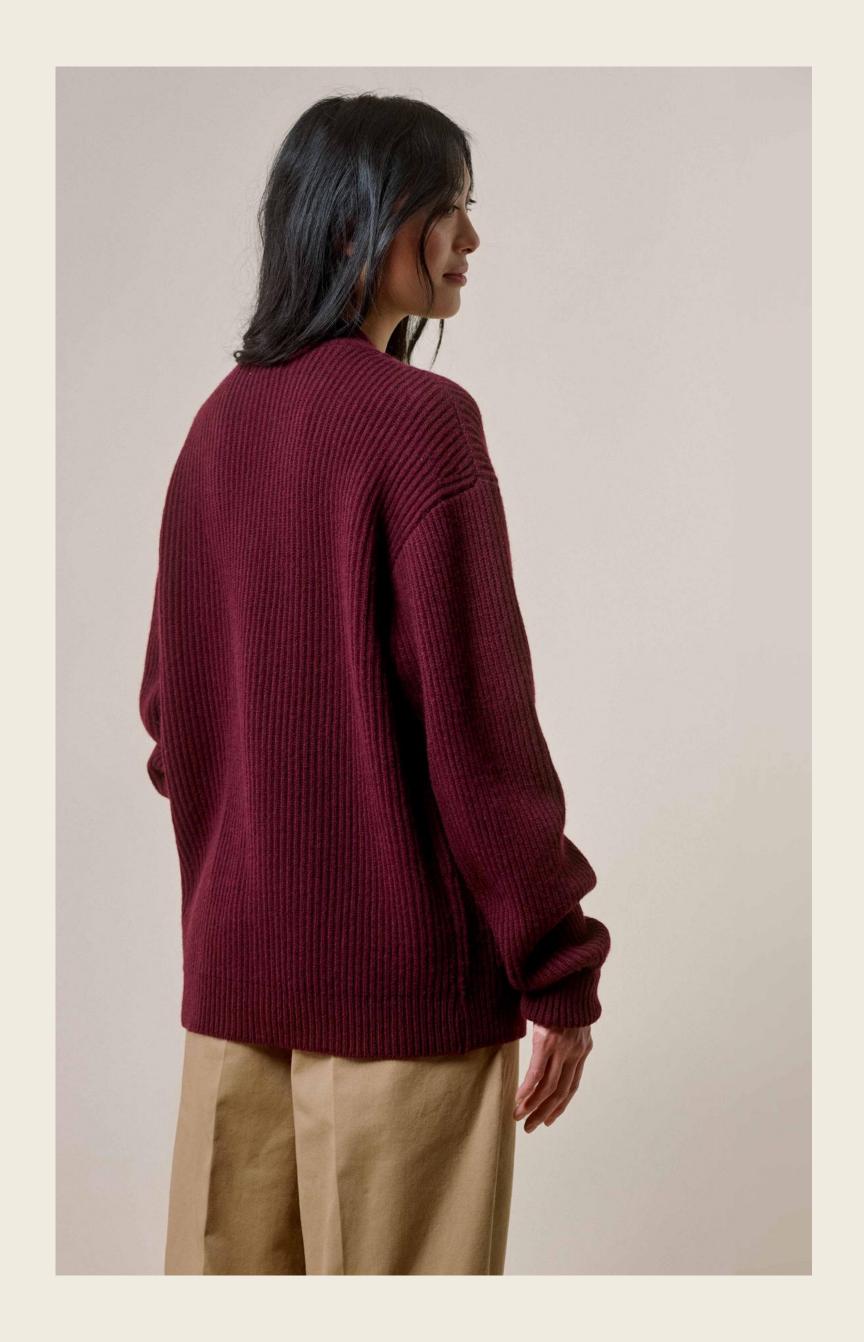










































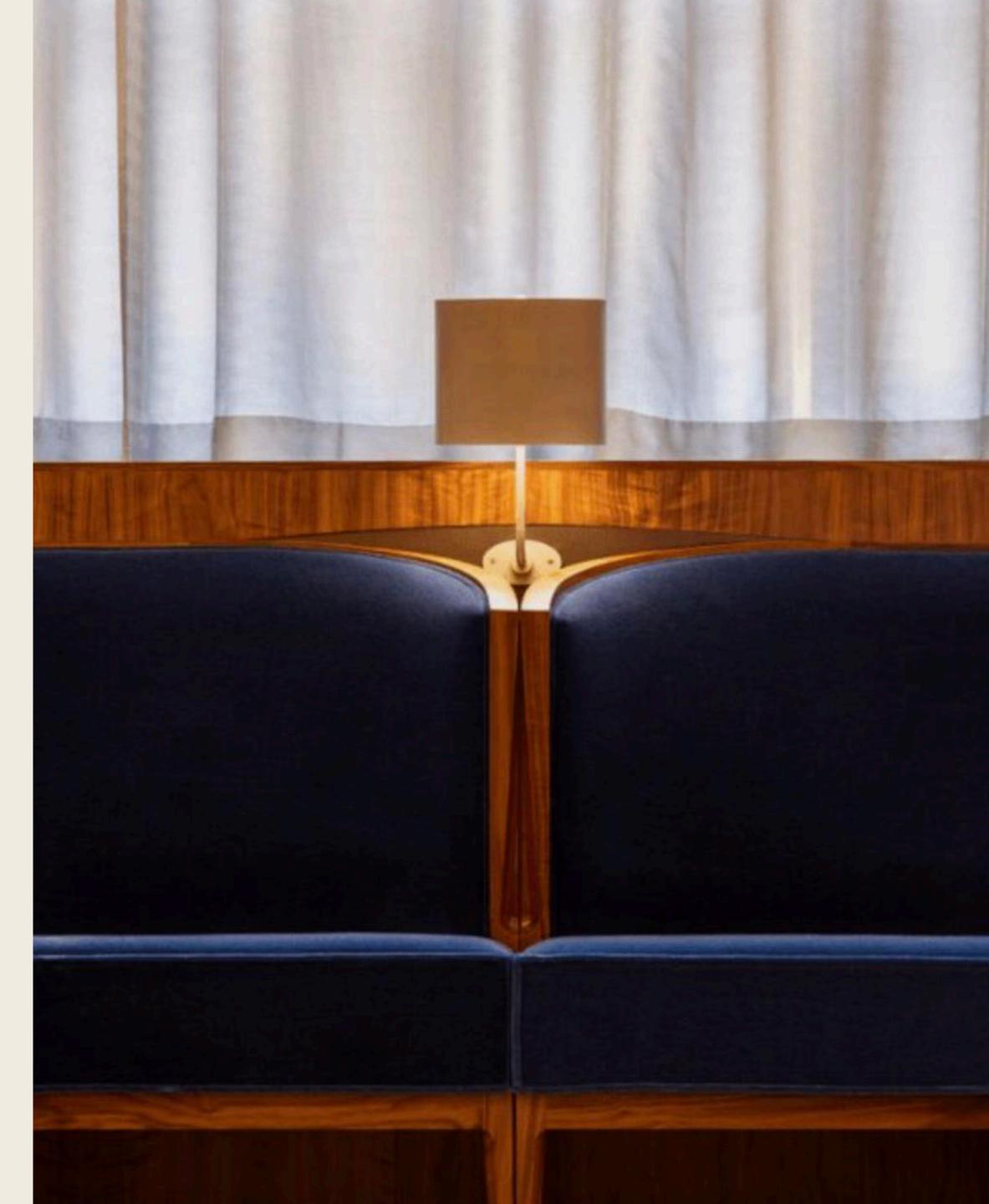










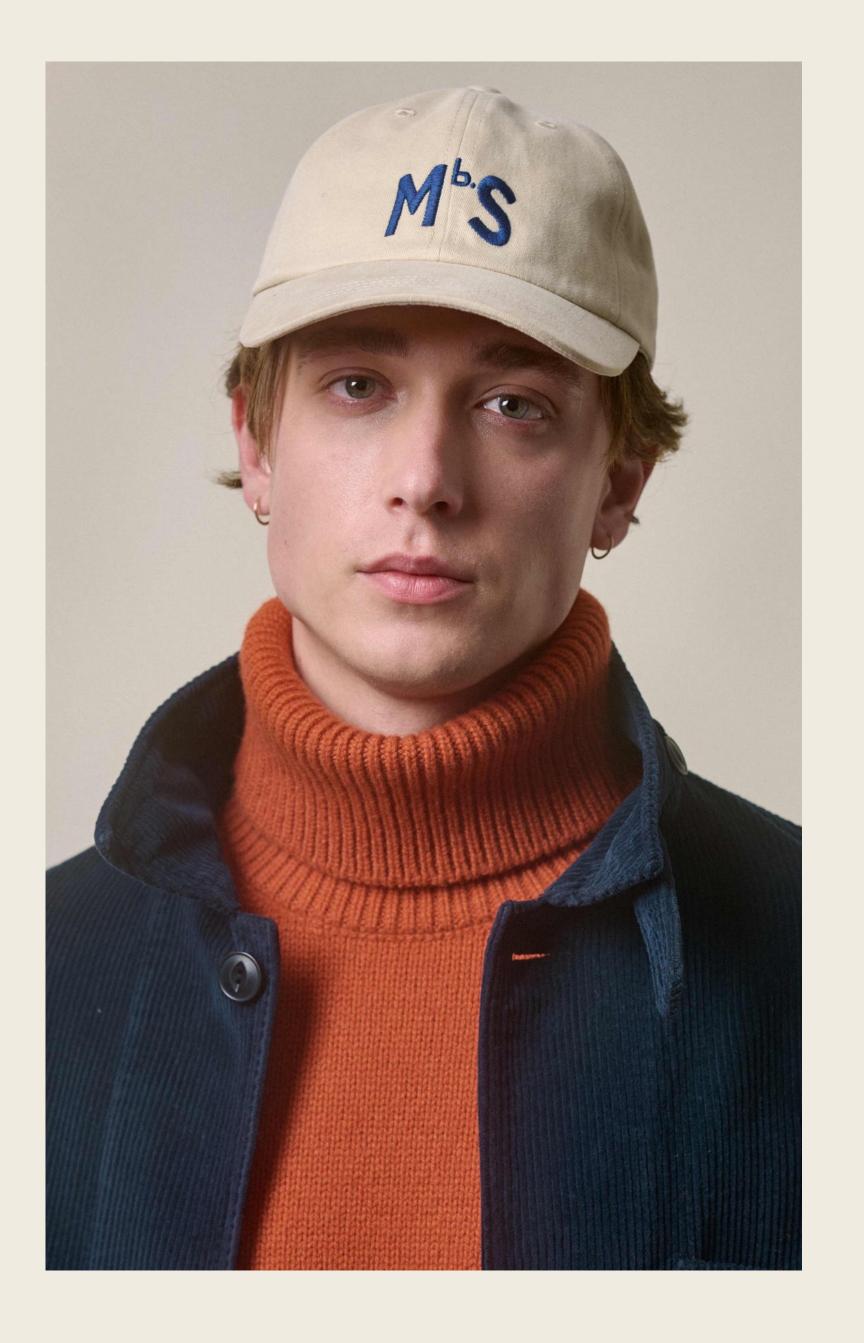


















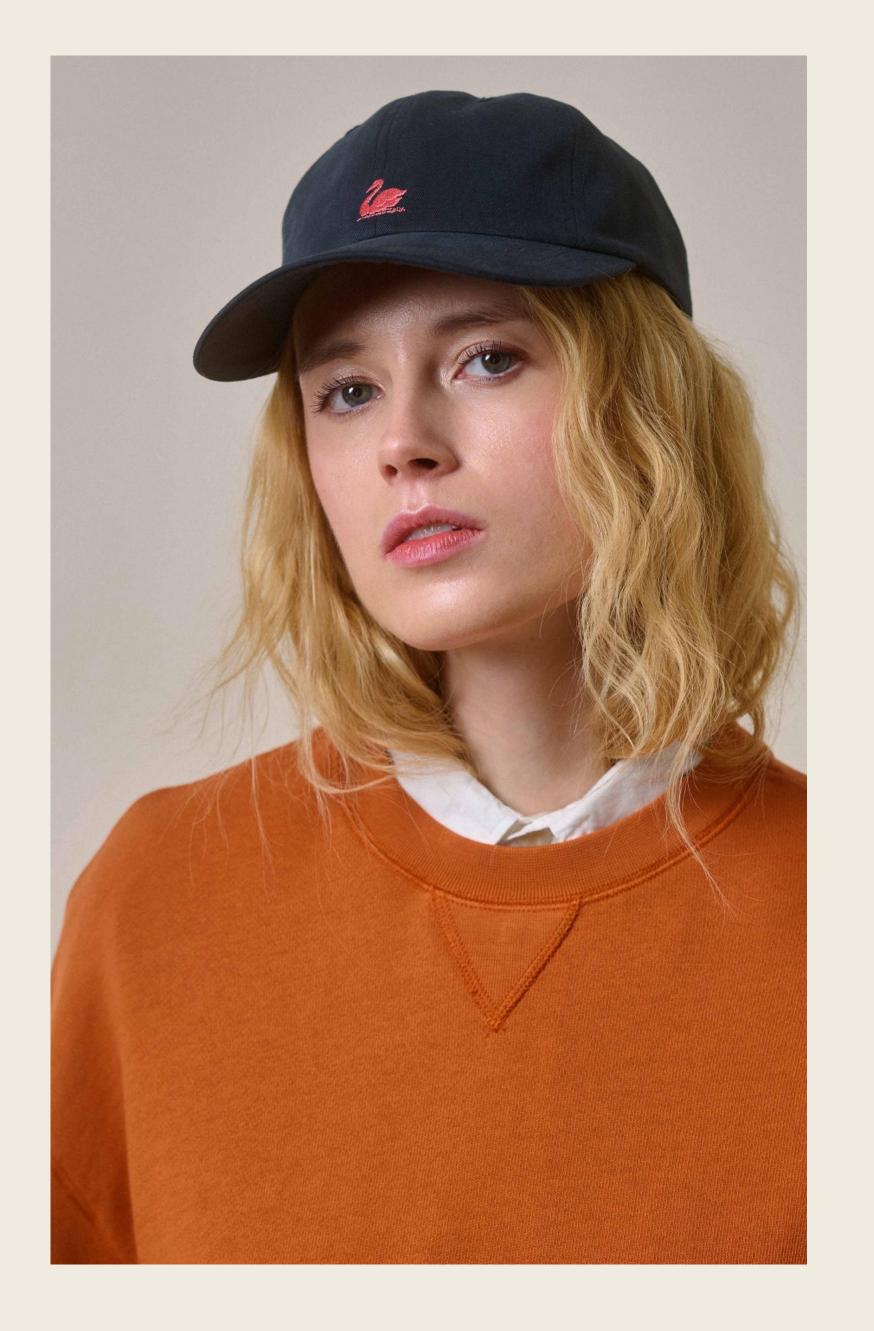


























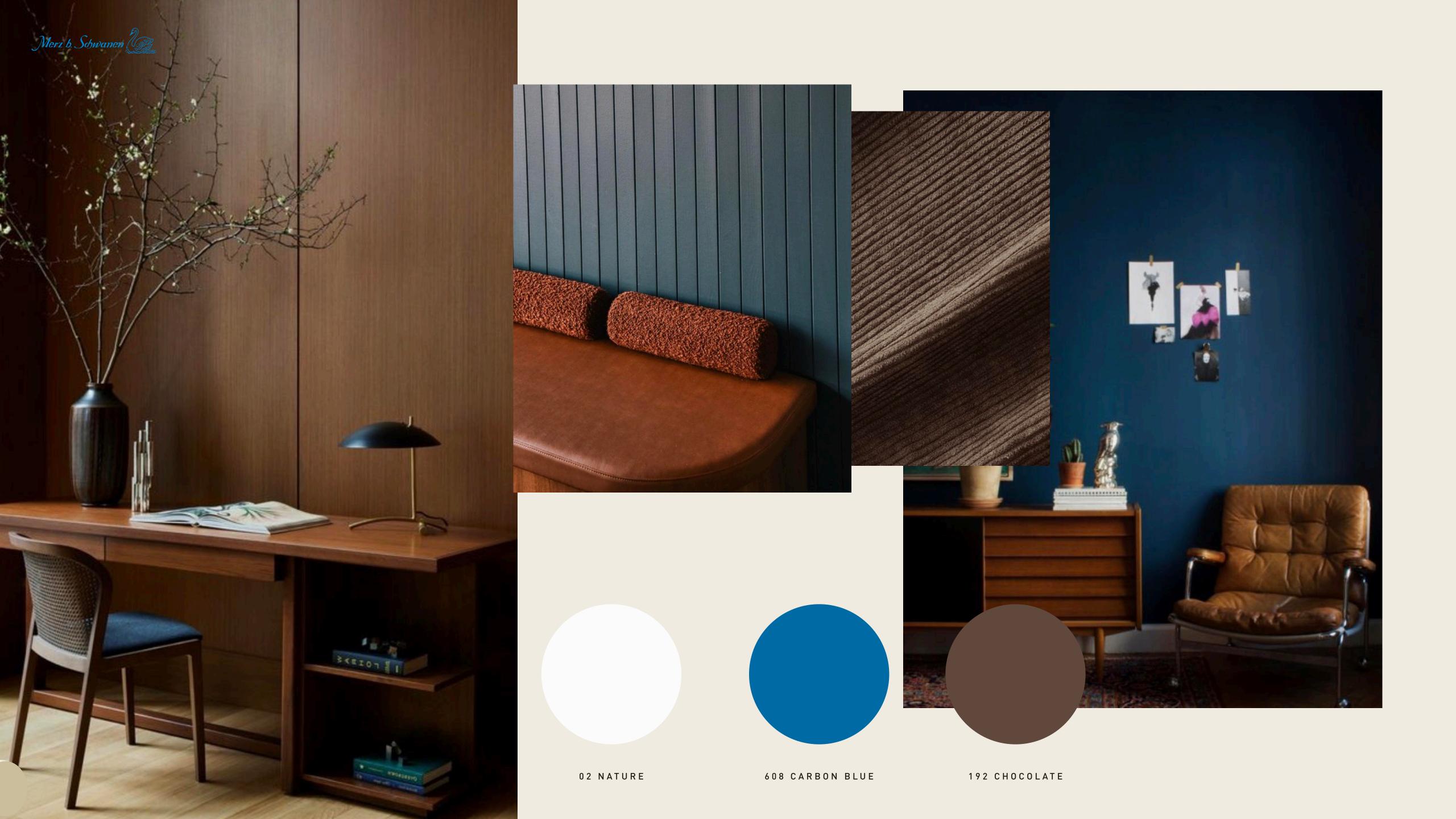






















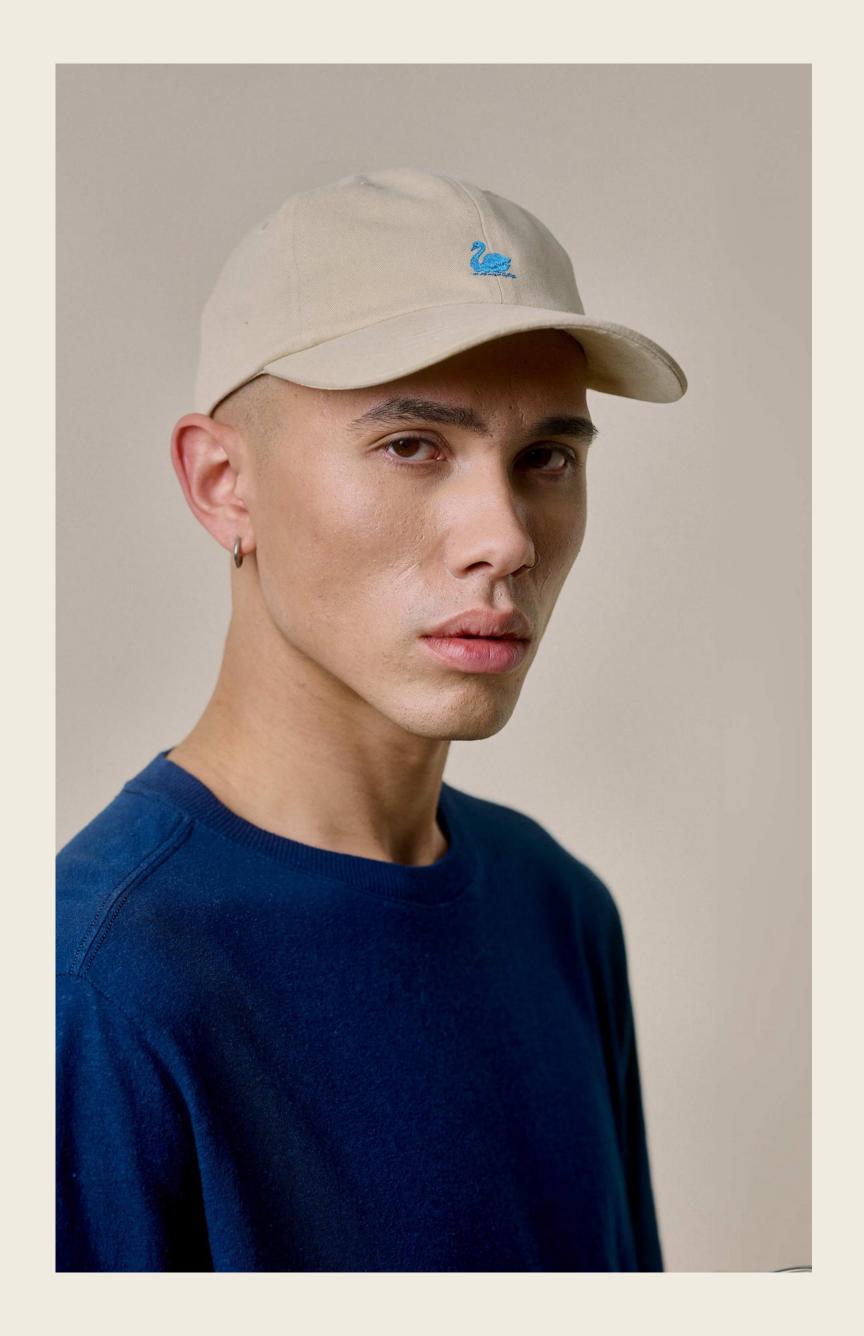






































































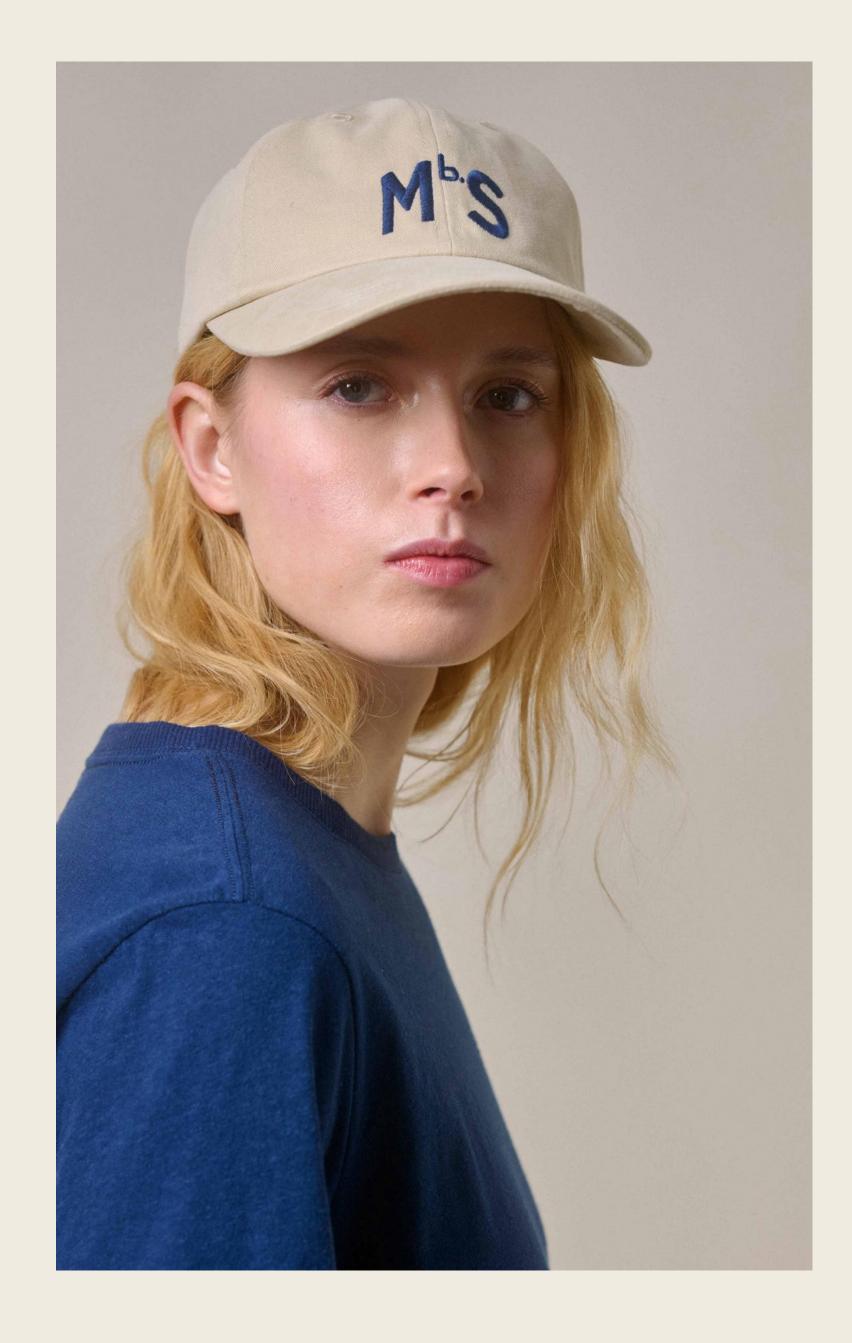


















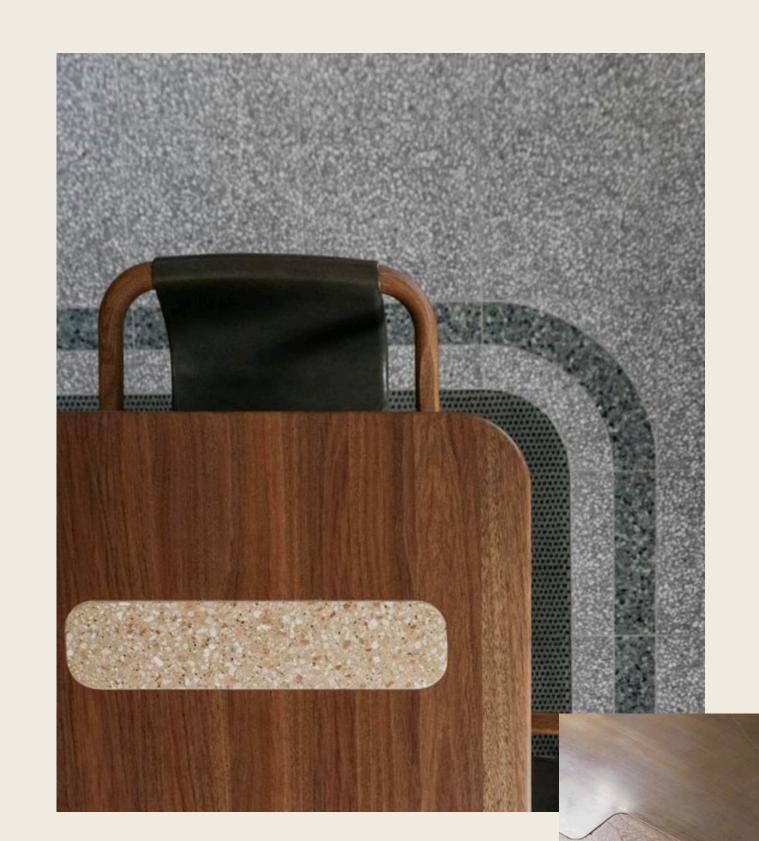
















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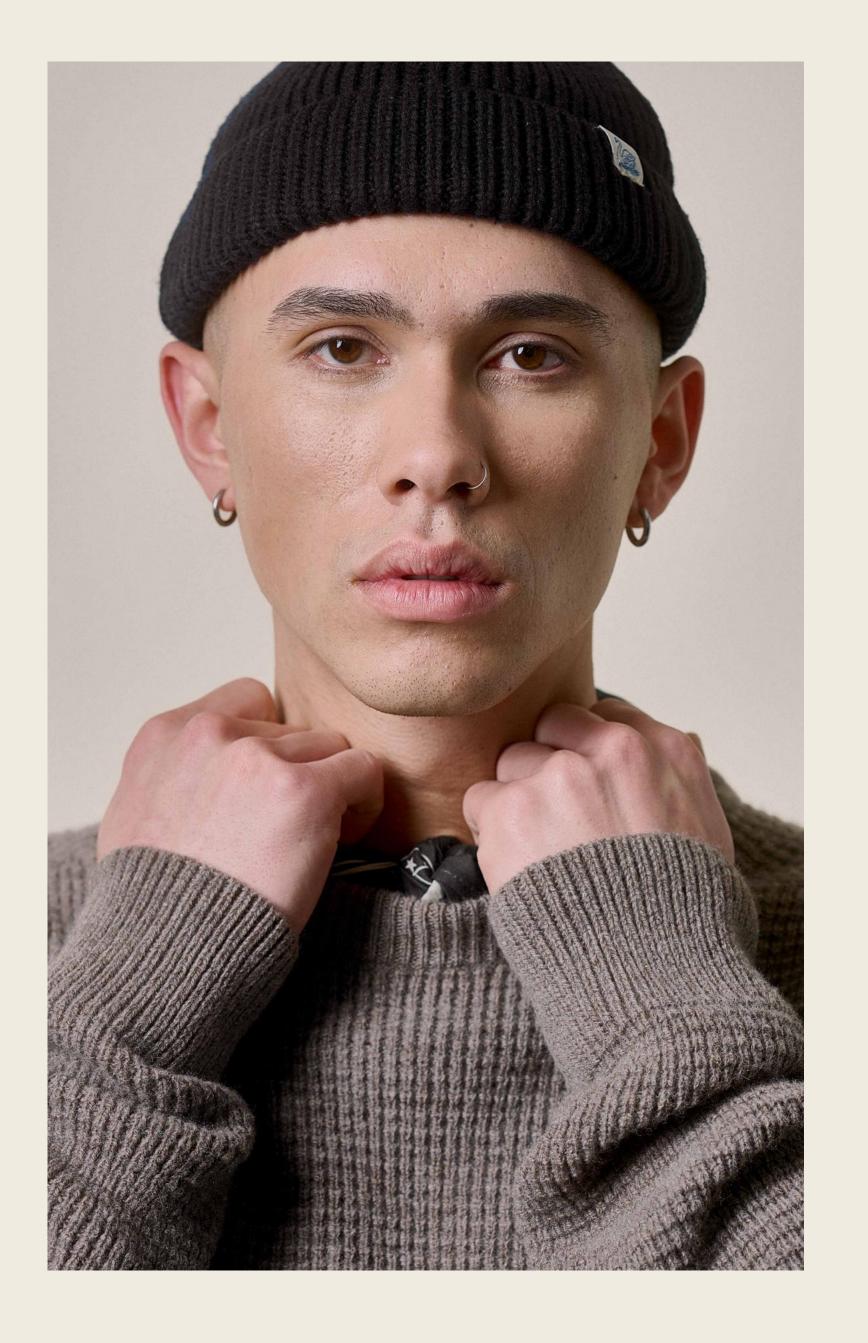
























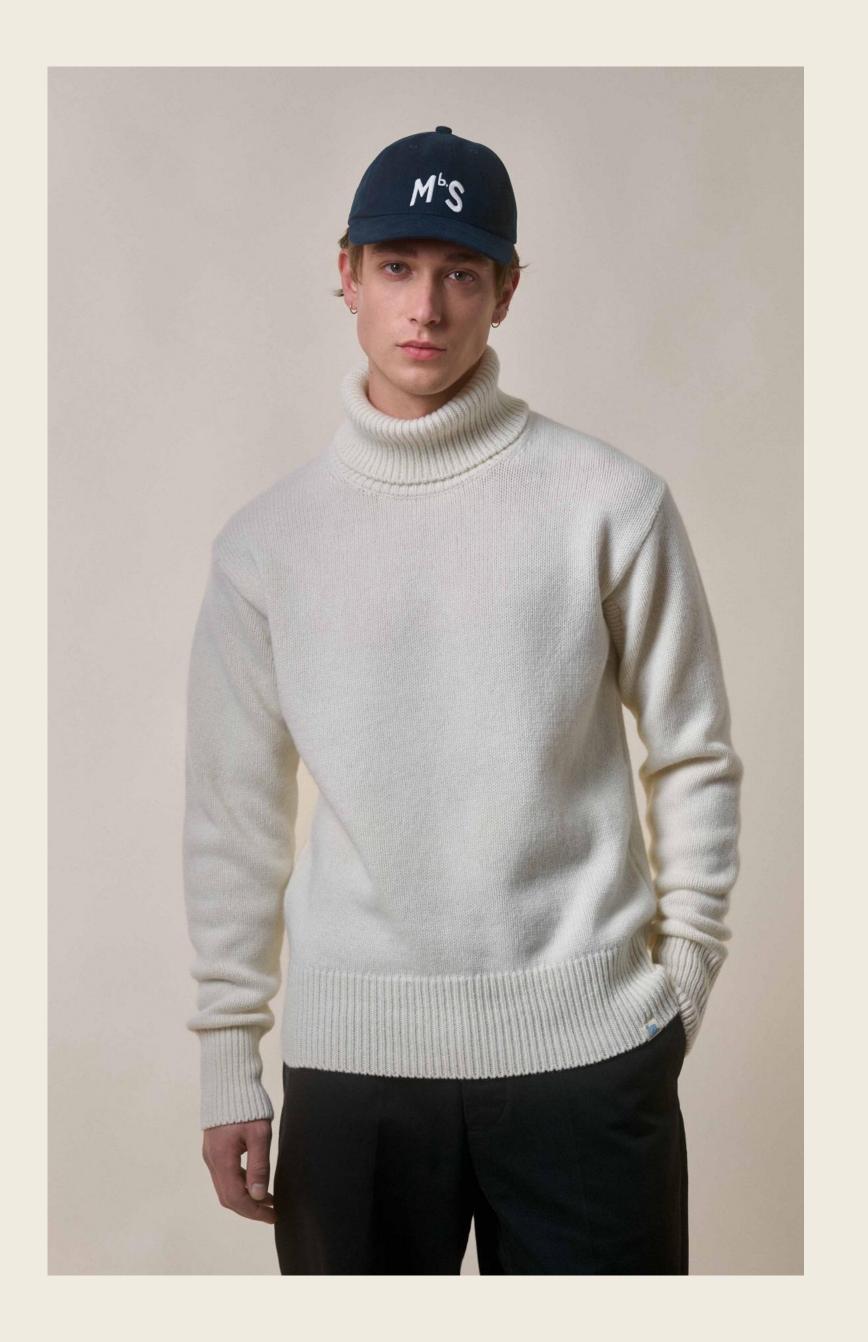


















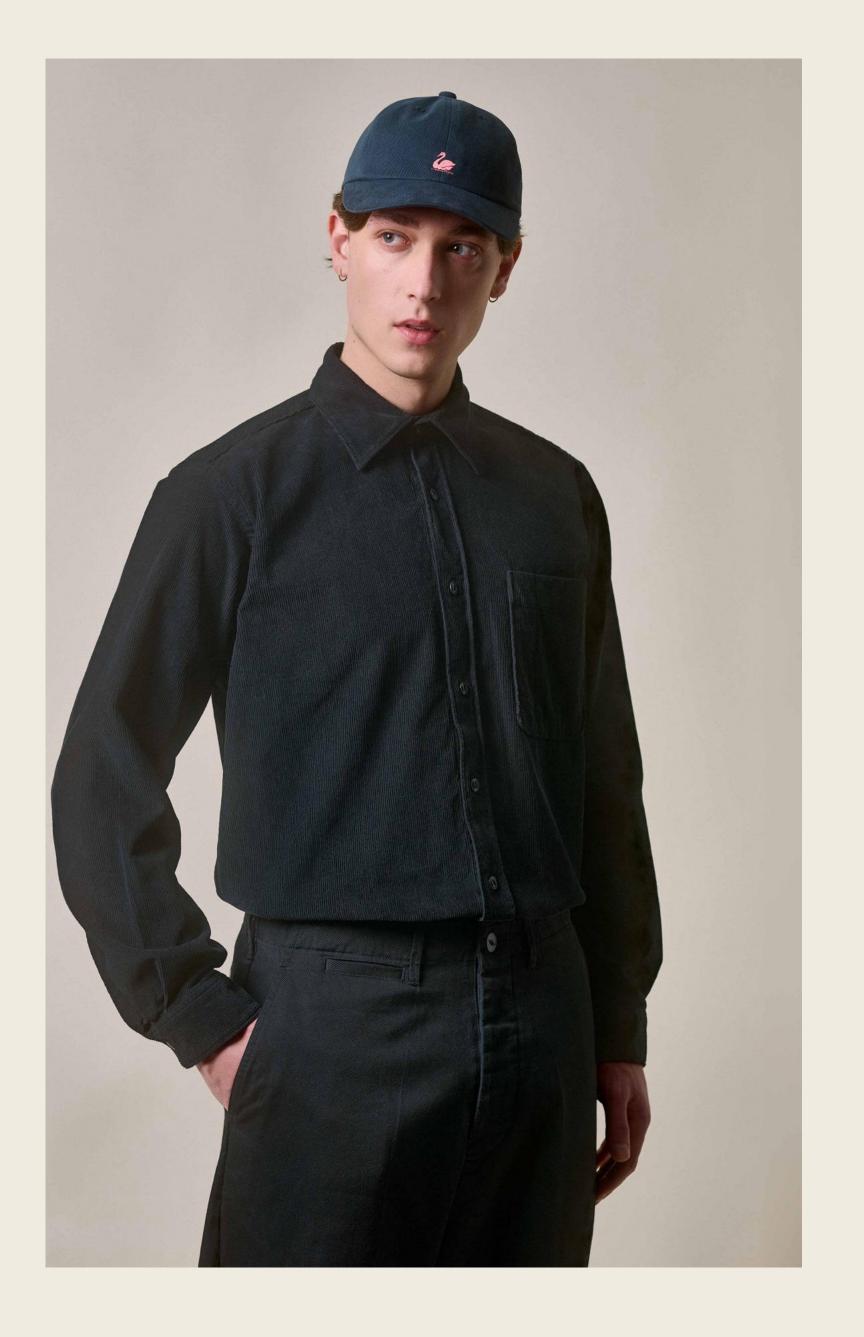






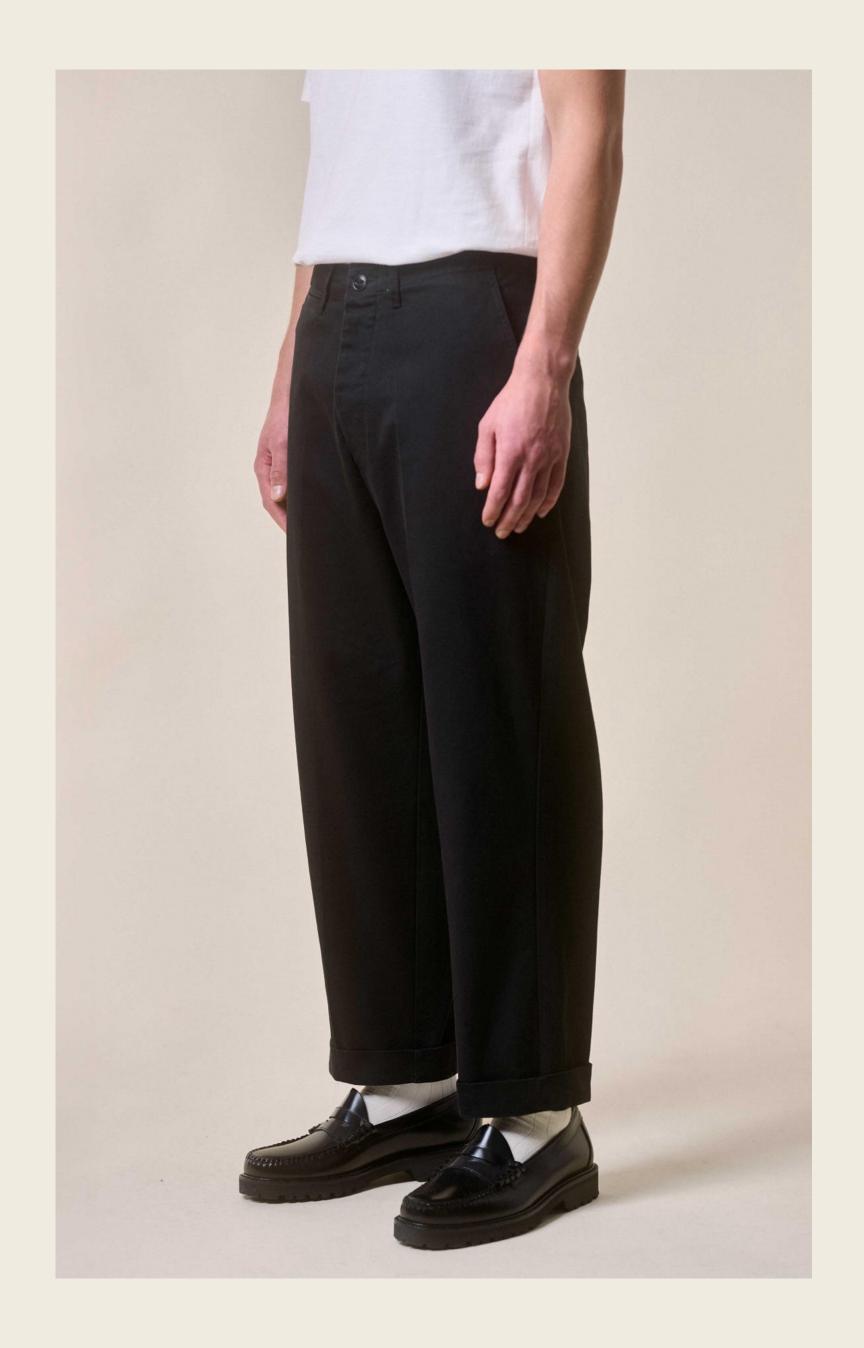






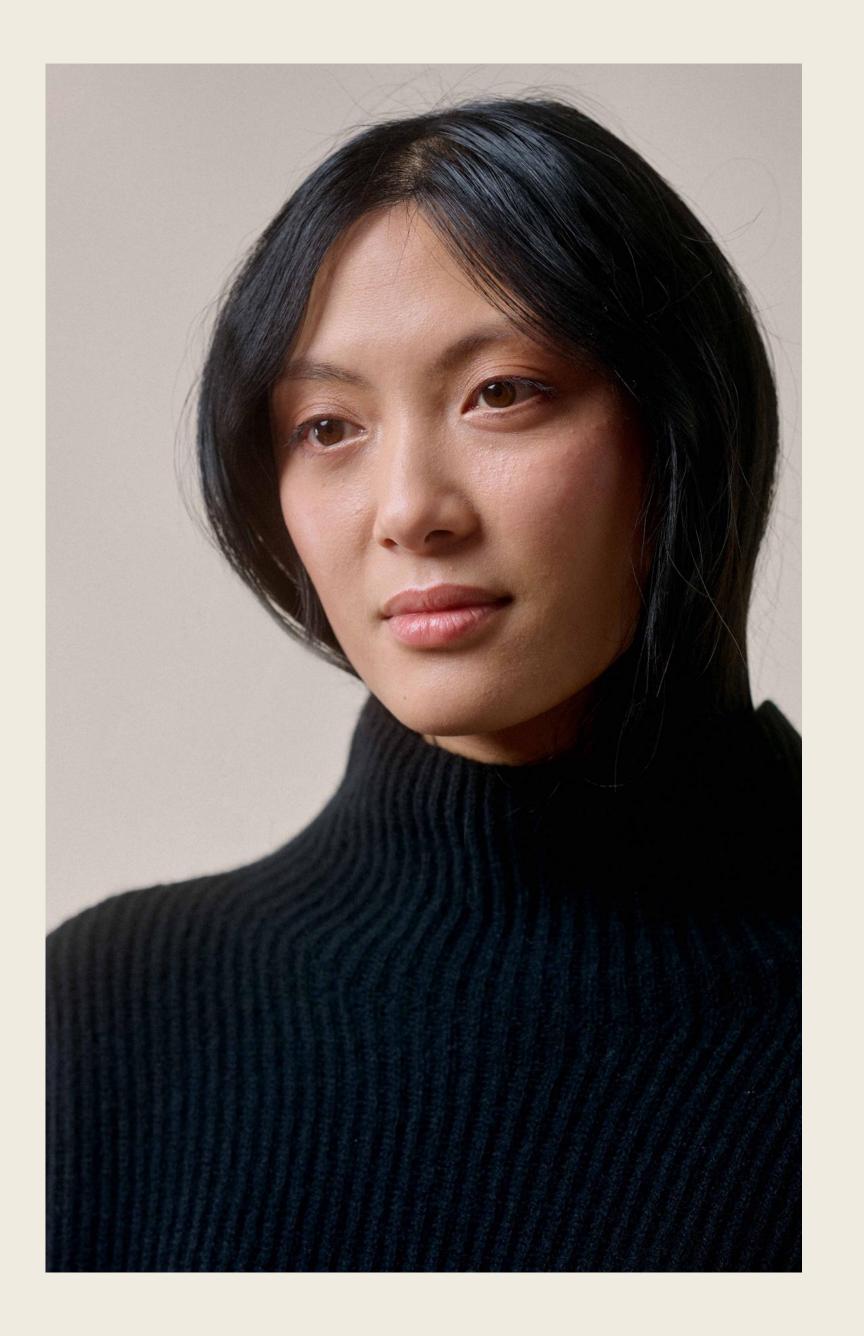














# Look and feel good. Every day!

#### Our Vision

We are guided...

by the idea of bringing more calm and ease into your daily life, and the world.

We want you to look and feel good.

Every day!

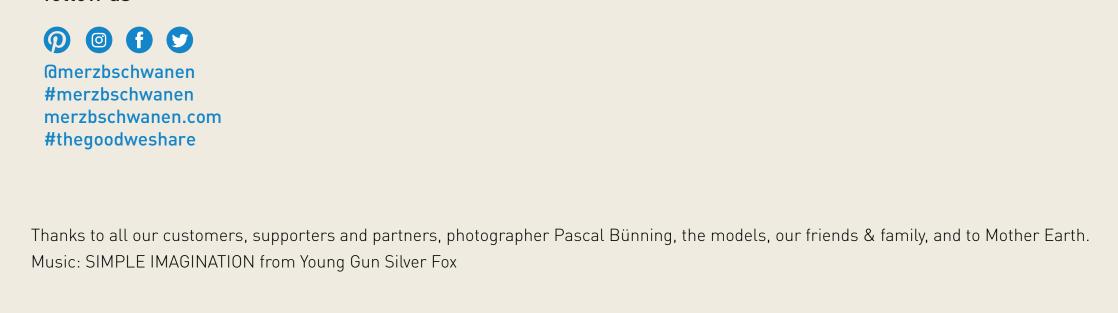




### THANKS...

for your time and interest!

#### follow us







# WELCOME OUR NEW PRODUCTS

AW2024

### THE CORDUROY JACKET



### THE CORDUROY JACKET

- 1. Authentic, classic worker's jacket
- 2. Unisex
- 3. 100% organic cotton corduroy, 350g/qm I 10,3 oz/sq.yd.
- 4. The woven label is made on an original loom from 1890
- 5. Authentic classic processing inside
- 6. Real corozo buttons
- 7. Vegan & sustainable

### COTTON CORDUROY SHIRT



### THE NEW COTTON CORDUROY SHIRT

- 1. 100% organic cotton
- 2. Medium striped corduroy, 290g/qm I 8,6 oz/sq.yd.
- 3. Unisex
- 4. Real corozo buttons
- 5. Vegan & sustainable



## COTTON CORDUROY PANTS



### THE NEW COTTON CORDUROY SHIRT

- 1. 100% organic cotton
- 2. Medium striped corduroy, 290g/qm I 8,6 oz/sq.yd.
- 3. Styles for women and men
- 4. Real corozo buttons
- 5. Vegan & sustainable

## **BROKEN TWILL SHIRTS**



### THE NEW COTTON BROKEN TWILL SHIRTS

- 1. 100% organic cotton
- 2. Broken Twill, 305g/qm I 9,2 oz/sq.yd.
- 3. Styles for women and men
- 4. Real corozo buttons
- 5. Vegan & sustainable



### **BROKEN TWILL SKIRT**



### THE NEW COTTON BROKEN TWILL WOMEN'S SHIRT

- 1. 100% organic cotton
- 2. Broken Twill, 370g/qm I 11 oz/sq.yd.
- 3. Women's
- 4. Two side pockets and two back pockets
- 5. Vegan & sustainable

## GIZA-COTTON-HEMP



### GIZA COTTON I HEMP I ORGANIC COTTON

- 1. 35% real GIZA cotton I 50% organic cotton I 15% hemp
- 2. Heavy sturdy jersey, 240g/qm I 7,1 oz/sq.yd.
- 3. Boxy cropped fit
- 4. Side slit
- 5. Baseball Stitching
- 6. Swan embroidery tone-in-tone
- 7. Vegan & sustainable
- 8. Styles for women and men

# CHUNKY WOOL



### THE NEW CHUNKY WOOL STYLES

- 1. Authentic optics
- 2. Printed label or woven label
- 3. Ribbed or waffle structure
- 4. 90% mulesing-free merino wool I 10% cashmere
- 5. Sustainable
- 6. Styles for women and men



# ORDER TOOLS







### ORDER TOOLS

In this lookbook you find moods, inspiration, overviews of all our products per line as photos, and the new products marked with ,NEW'.

To make your order with Merz b. Schwanen as convenient and easy as possible for you, we have prepared 7 different tools for you:

#### **7 WAYS TO ORDER:**

• **OVERVIEWS** (former 4-pager) Here you see the collection at a glance

#### • B2B Pre-Order Shop

This is your relaxed and convenient way of ordering online. It's really easy: just log in and start browsing all products photographed on models, getting all information about the products, and placing your order. Just like you know it from a 'regular' online shop.

#### • B2B Reorder Shop

Did you run out of your all-time bestsellers? All good! We got you covered: just reorder in the B2B reorder shop. You'll see the quantities at a glance and can directly place your order and know what you can expect.

#### • Agencies & Distributors

Meet your friendly and supportive Merz b. Schwanen agents or distributors: they'll be happy to show you the collection and give you all information needed.

#### • Tradeshows & Showrooms

Visit us at SEEK Berlin, MAN/WOMAN Paris, MAN/WOMAN New York City, or in one of our showrooms.

#### • PDF Order Form

This is a well-known way that always works.

#### • Call Robert

Always a nice choice..;-))

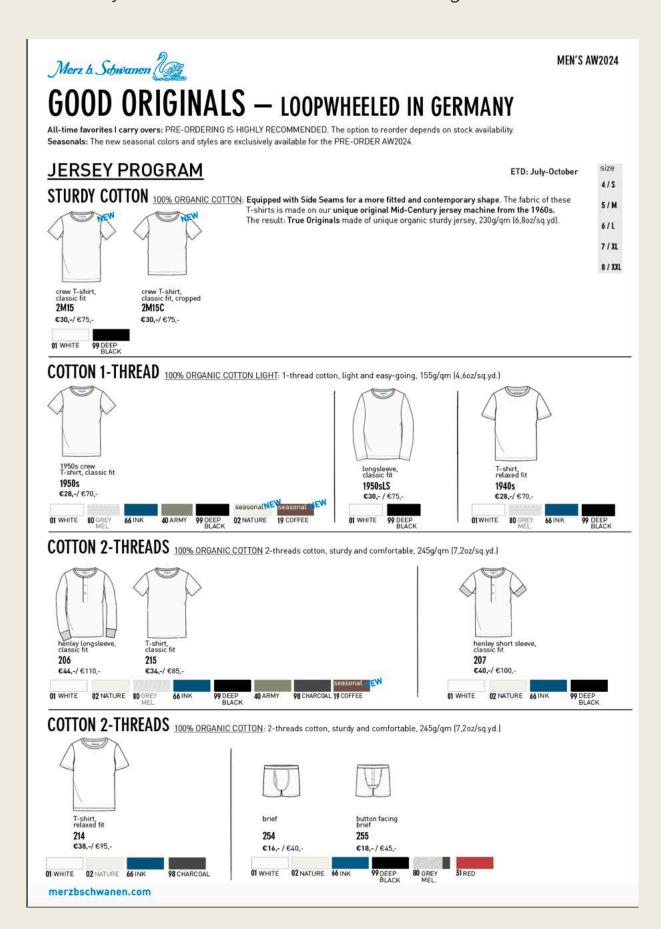
Choose whatever is best for you. Then simply relax...we'll take care of the rest.

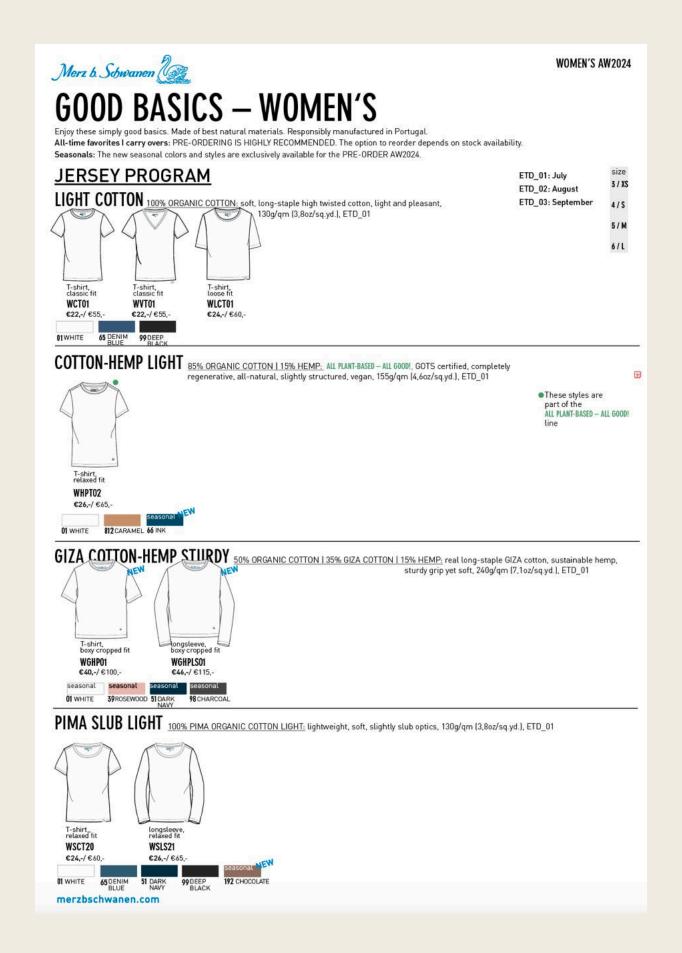
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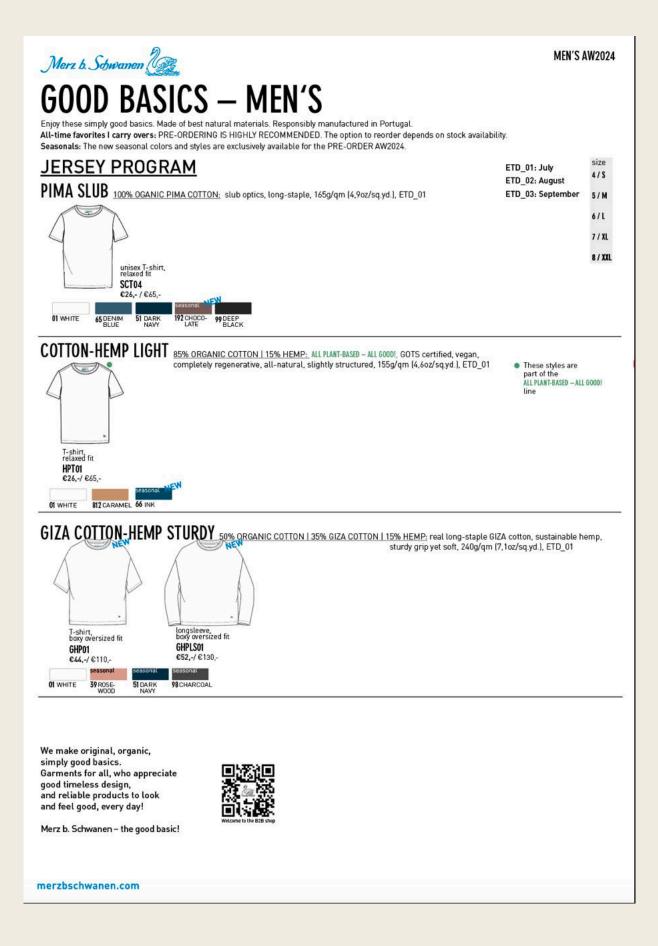
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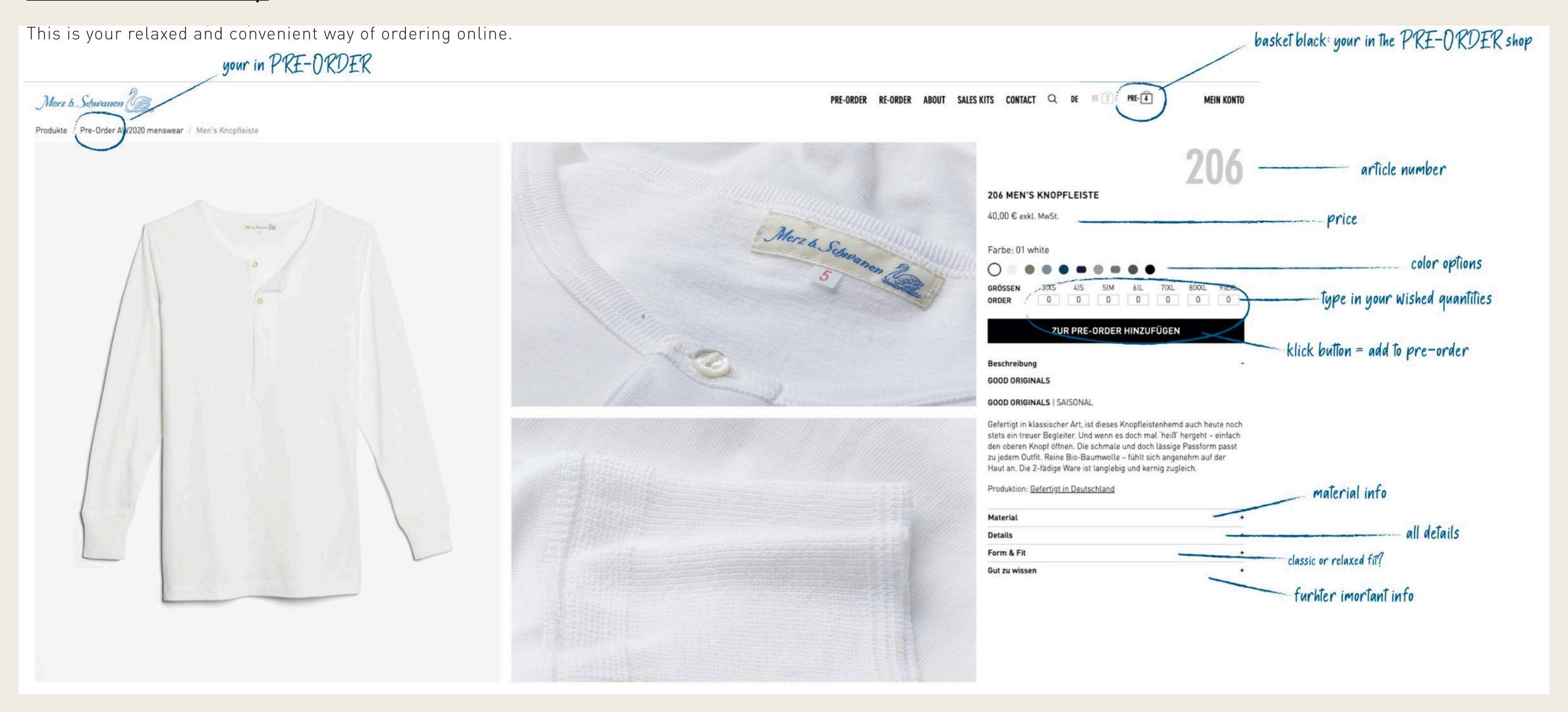






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This is your relaxed and convenient way of ordering online.



### **PRODUCTS**

### **CARRY OVER & SEASONAL STYLES**

#### • CARRY OVER STYLES

OUR CARRY OVER STYLES ARE OUR ALL-TIME FAVORITES and BESTSELLERS.

REORDERING MIGHT BE POSSIBLE DEPENDING ON STOCK AVAILABILITY.

We highly recommend pre-ordering these styles to ensure you have all the quantities as needed and wished in your store.

#### • SEASONAL STYLES

THESE STYLES ARE LIMITED AND ONLY AVAILABLE WHEN PRE-ORDERED.

You can't reorder these styles after the AW2024 pre-order deadline.

### MULESING-FREE MERINO WOOL

#### Why do we use certified mulesing-free merino wool?

The mulesing treatment is a painful surgical procedure for sheep, primarily used in Australia due to flystrike for nearly 100 years.

Flystrike is when blowflies lay their eggs in the folds of skin around the tail area of the sheep (for nearly 100 years), the eggs then hatch into larvae and then feed off the flesh of the sheep, risking blood poisoning and death if untreated.

To reduce the risk of flystrike, wool producers have traditionally cut flaps of skin from around the lamb's breech and tail to create an area of bare, scarred skin, which is less likely to attract blowflies. Until recently, this procedure was carried out without any pain relief.

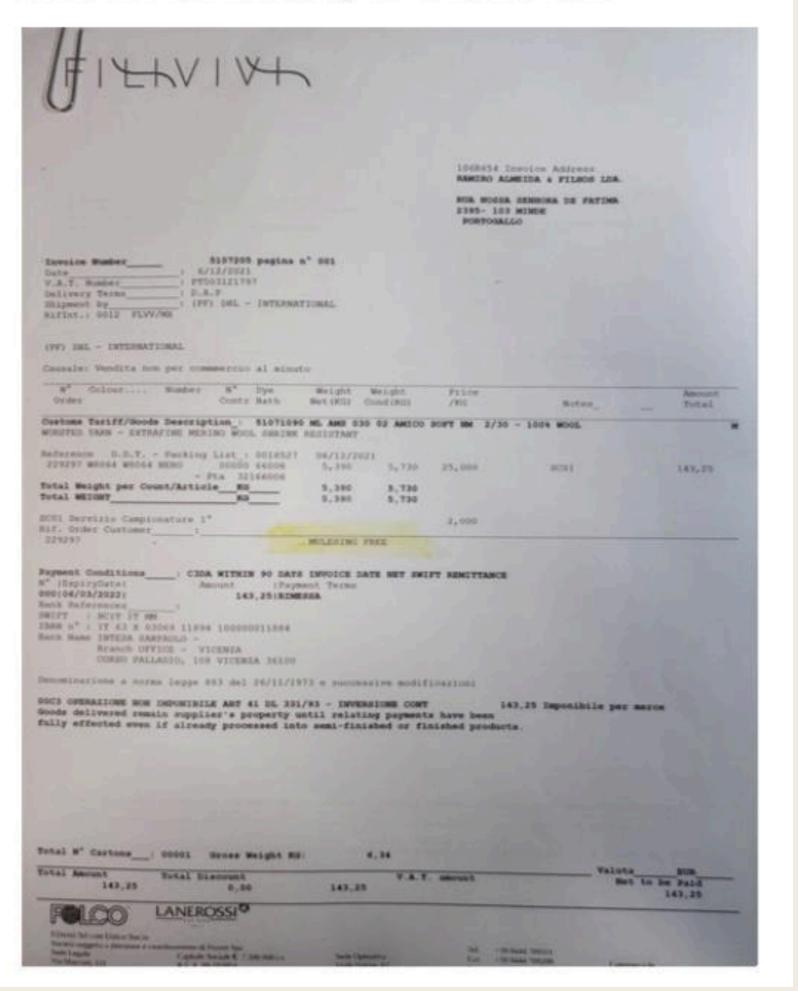
While flystrike does present a serious animal welfare concern, mulesing causes great pain and stress to sheep. Except in Victoria, there is currently no mandatory requirement for producers to apply anaesthetic or pain relief during and after the procedure.

We use certified mulesing-free merino wool for our garments.

source index:

https://www.rspca.org.au/take-action/sheep-mulesing

#### Invoice for our mulesing-free merino wool



### **DELIVERY**

#### OUR DELIVERIES

We will now offer three delivery dates for the AW24 collection.

This means you have more flexibility and convenience when it comes to receiving your orders.

Our multiple delivery date options ensure that you can choose the most suitable time for collection. Simply select the date that works best for you and we'll make sure your order is ready for pickup. Enjoy the convenience of our expanded delivery options and experience a seamless and efficient service.



# WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

COMPARISON OF PRODUCTS



## <u>1950s</u>

Both are made of organic cotton jersey light, 155g/qm I 4,6 oz/sq.yd.



Paneled neckline

• Classic fit

## <u>1940s</u>

Both are made of organic cotton jersey light, 155g/qm I 4,6 oz/sq.yd.



Attached wide rib on neckline

Relaxed fit



# <u>1950s</u>

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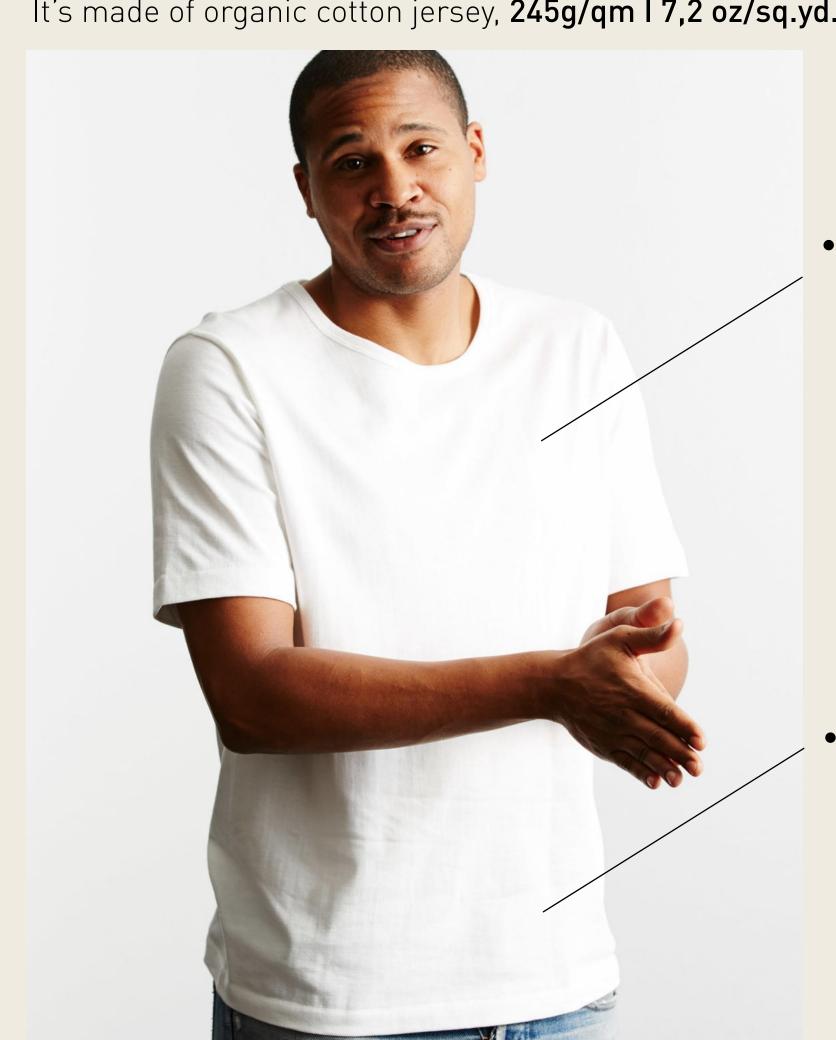


 Cotton jersey light, 155g/qm I 4,6 oz/sq.yd.

• Double needle seams

# <u>215</u>

It's made of organic cotton jersey, 245g/qm I 7,2 oz/sq.yd.

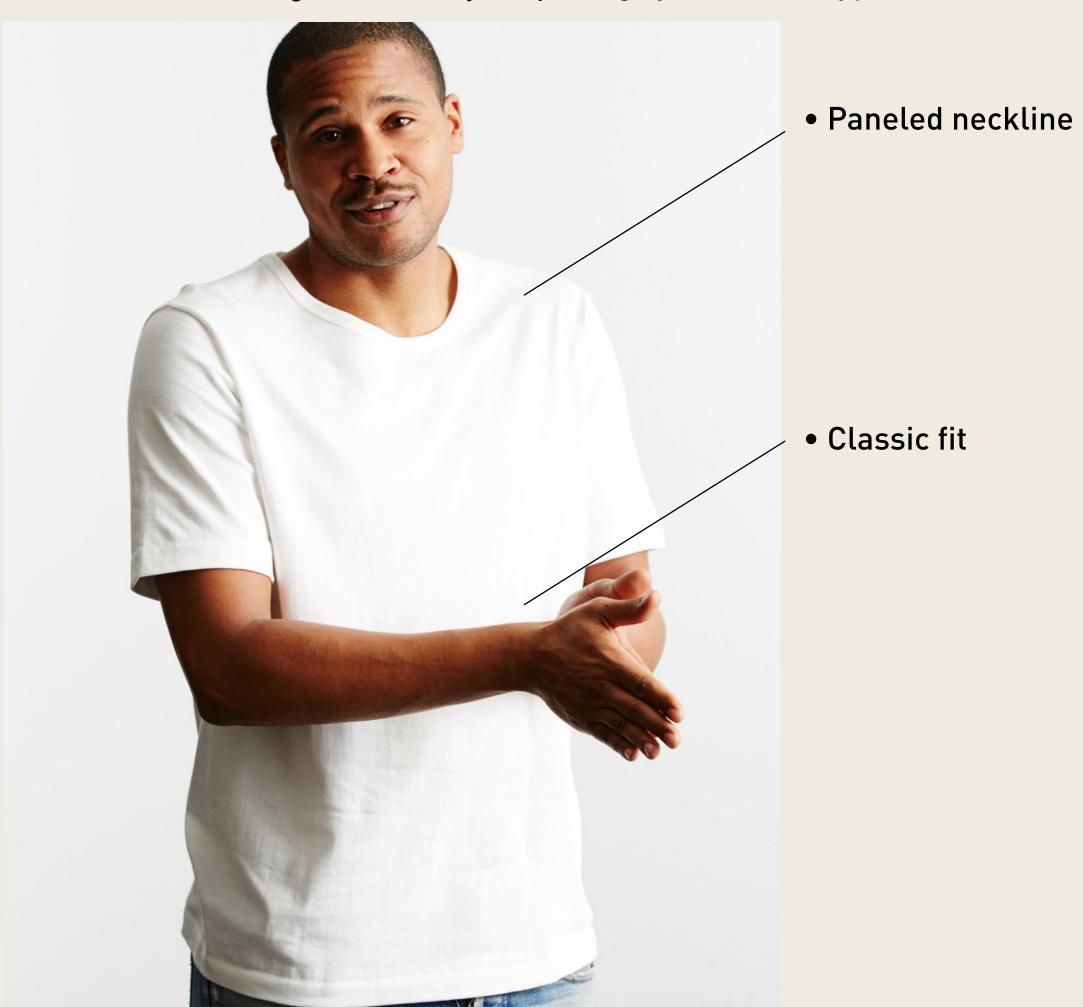


• Cotton jersey, 245g/qm I 7,2 oz/sq.yd.

• Baseball seams

# <u>215</u>

Both are made of organic cotton jersey, 245g/qm I 7,2 oz/sq.yd.



# <u>214</u>

Both are made of organic cotton jersey, 245g/qm I 7,2 oz/sq.yd.



Paneled with wide diagonal rib on neckline

Relaxed fit

# <u>1940s</u>

It's made of organic cotton jersey light, 155g/qm I 4,6 oz/sq.yd.



Attached wide rib on neckline

Cotton jersey light,155g/qm I 4,6 oz/sq.yd.

• Double needle seams

### <u>214</u>

It's made made of organic cotton jersey, 245g/qm I 7,2 oz/sqyd.



Paneling with wide diagonal rib on neckline

Cotton jersey,245g/qm I 7,2 oz/sq.yd.

• Baseball seams

# **KEY FACTS**

Brand Name:	Merz b. Schwanen
Foundation year:	Originally 1911 by Balthazar Merz, revived in 2010 by Gitta & Peter Plotnicki
Specialty:	Unique fabrics made on authentic and original loopwheelers from 1920s to the 1960s, creating sustainable and long lasting basics
Collections:	Men's, Women's, Unisex, Home
Lines:	Good Originals, Good Basics
Products types:	T-shirts, henleys, tops, sweatshirts, sweatpants, wovens (shirts, pants, jacket, dresses), a collaboration sneaker, knitwear, accessories, underwear, socks, pajamas
Key materials:	organic cotton, recycled cotton, high-quality mulesing-free merino wool, recycled wool, and cashmere
Main values:	Sustainable and responsible, timeless & thoughtful design, natural high-quality materials, socially responsible and honest manufacturing, transparency
Production sites:	Germany & Portugal
Head quarter:	Berlin-Mitte, Germany
Flagship Store:	Gormannstrasse 25, Berlin-Mitte, Germany
Team:	21 team members in the headquarter, in Berlin, in the production site Germany, and remote
Designers:	Gitta & Peter Plotnicki
Founders:	Gitta Plotnicki (Co-Founder & Chief Creative Director) & Peter Plotnicki (Co-Founder & CEO)