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CASE IN QUESTION

INCORPORATING FASHION INTO THE MOST FUNCTIONAL OF ACCESSORIES, LUGGAGE LABELS HAVE UPPED THE ANTE FOR 2012. FE TAKES A LOOK AT SOME OF THE MUST-HAVE STYLES.



SAMSONITE

Samsonite launches its X-ion3 collection this season, featuring the brand's latest pioneering technology – Tent Construction.

Instead of using traditional exterior piping to give each case structure, the brand's new construction offers tension from the interior, similar to the support poles within a tent. www.samsonite.com

GINO FERRARI

Targeting the business traveller, Modrec's Gino Ferrari Business collection ranges from laptop-compatible backpacks and messenger bags to on-board luggage and duffel bags. New for 2012, the offer introduces colourways in burgundy and blue. www.modrec-int.com



CARIBEE

Caribee unveils its Scarecrow DX series for the new year, revealing a multi-purpose trolley bag and travel bag combo that combines the versatility of a gear bag with the practicality of traditional luggage. The design can be accessed either via the zipper on top or opened like a traditional suitcase. www.caribee-uk.com



MCKLEIN

US luggage label McKlein is targeting the female business consumer with its unique designs. Each creation in the McKlein collection is designed with the styling of a handbag in mind, but can also be fitted to a detachable trolley case for the convenience of a wheeled suitcase. www.wheathills.co.uk



WENGER

EB Brands continues the development of its Wenger label in the UK next year with the launch of its Neo Lite collection. The range features lightweight spinners with 360 degree manoeuvrability and lightweight, ergonomic handles. www.wenger.ch

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VICTORINOX

Swiss accessories label Victorinox launches its new Spectra collection this season, comprising a range of polycarbonate luggage in red, black, white or blue. Each colourway is available in four sizes, with each piece backed by the brand's signature lifetime guarantee. www.victorinox.com



CYCLONE

Cyclone continues its quest to create uniquely designed, quality luggage with the arrival of its limited edition DON model (pictured left). Featuring a ribbed polycarbonate shell with a carbon fibre look and feel, the lightweight design also features four wheels with rubber tyres and comfortable soft rubber hand grips. www.cyclonelondon.com



RIMOWA

Rimowa launches its lightest ever Salsa style, the Salsa Air Ultralight this season. Featuring ergonomic handles, as well as a light and robust inner lining, the new design is available in inca gold, cognac, ultra violet, aquamarine and navy blue. www.rimowa.de



EASTPAK

Eastpak aims to offer more than meets the eye this season with the launch of its Cloud 7 collection. Each item features modular components that can be detached, expanded or transformed for multi-functionality on the go. www.eastpak.com



BRIGGS & RILEY

Briggs & Riley introduces its Spinners collection for the new season, unveiling a range of four-wheeled styles featuring lightweight wheels. The new designs also feature an outsider handle as well as a durable, dirt and abrasion resistant outer fabric. www.usluggage.com