



Boss Black cashmere and feather top, \$1,189.



Nina Ricci's feathered tresses and hats.



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Little Tailleux dress, \$827, from www.littletailleux.com.au



Marni necklace, \$795, from a selection at the Marni store.



Giorgio Armani bag, \$3,900.

Flights of fancy

Designers are feathering their collections with elegant plumes

How is fashion shaping up right now? Winged capes? Feathered tresses? Plumed skirts? Names as diverse as Louis Vuitton, Nina Ricci and Alexander McQueen are proving to be anything but purists when it comes to embellishing their theatrical-looking winter line-ups.

STYLE TIP

Think gaming fowl (as opposed to wild Las Vegas-style feathers) and opt for whimsical touches: a cape, a dainty chain bag or an artful necklace.



Willow guinea fowl cape, \$800.



Salvatore Ferragamo bag, \$9,275.



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BIRD WATCHING

Women of style and their marvellous plumes



Feathered Victorian costume in 1910.



Josephine Baker opted for exotic plumed skirts in the 20s.



Vivien Leigh's showgirl moment.



Sophia Loren in a flamboyant collar in 1965.



Grace Kelly wrapped in marabou in 1977.