

California Cool

The rolling Calabasas hills provided the backdrop for this stunning shoot featuring a series of vignettes; a fossilized mammoth story, a play on geometry, the ultimate rock diva, a menagerie of critters, exotic leathers, a rainbow bright anecdote and show-stopping glittering rose gold earrings.

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Inspired by a touch of Brigitte Bardot and a smattering of Talitha Getty, these images were captured poolside on the spring-green grass and in the archways and walkways of this sprawling white washed, quintessentially Californian home. The Oaks serves as the perfect setting to capture the luxurious lifestyle embodied in the Sydney Evan range.

One of Sydney Evan's most iconic and drool-worthy pieces, the rose gold starburst diamond pavé earrings, needs almost no distraction. Here, they're styled with the barest of minimal tops in navy. Diamond disc rings and a glittering necklace worn as an armload of diamonds add a sprinkle of sparkle without stealing the show.

Signature bar and geometric necklaces atop an asymmetrical Saunder dress make the perfect by-the-pool lounging look.

Animal and nature inspirations are also peppered throughout the range with the monkey charm worn here as a headdress and swinging bird cage earrings with tiny moving parrots exemplifying a gentle irreverence to the accepted jewelry rules. (The parrot's called Albert, by the way.)

In a fun-infused moment, rainbow stacking beaded bracelets, each with customizable

charms, are paired with beaded necklaces alongside a leaf-green Brochu Walker shift dress; a look that can't help but make the wearer and anyone around her feel happy.

A sweeping Têca / Helô Rocha plunging dress in black and white harmonizes perfectly with Sydney Evan's white gold collection, which appeals to the rocker inside every woman with its spike lariat necklaces, nail and double chain rings and pavé link bracelets, the latter a soft nod to California's rock and roll culture — inspired perhaps from the years Sydney Evan creator Rosanne Karmes owned a motorcycle. Worn editorially as back jewelry, this speaks to the versatility of this collection and its ability to adapt to new and current ways of wearing.

Shagreen customizable charm bracelets adorn a simple pale mauve Maison Martin Margiela dress accented with diamond ball rings.

Worn with the classic SE style of layering various pieces, the ease of the collection's day-to-night feeling is on display when fossilized woolly mammoth bracelets are stacked in a modern-day bohemian look. Finish off the statement with a fringe necklace that wouldn't be out of place in such jet-set destinations as Le Gaïac or Club 55.

