



# FRINGE FESTIVAL

**STYLE MAP • MELBOURNE** In Australia's cultural capital (sorry, Sydney), it's all about the 'burbs. And the city's queuing bohemians have recently alighted on the adjacent neighborhoods of Fitzroy and Collingwood.

Brunswick Street was once the style hub, but now the indie spirit has spread to the surrounding blocks, where the focus is on experimental fashion and quirky design that reimagines the past. **CARRIE HUTCHINSON**

**4. Cottage Industry** → Penelope Durston's designs may verge on kitsch, but her reworking of vintage fabrics suits Melbourne's current retro craze. She turns tea towels into skirts and bags, silk scarves into dresses and old scout blankets into cushions. 67 Gertrude Street; 011-61-3-9419-2430.

**5. Toolz** This boutique blends Asia and the outback with a selection of Japanese and South Korean clothing — in natural fabrics and slouchy silhouettes — displayed alongside vintage milking stools and old trunks. 120 Smith Street; 011-61-3-9419-1645; [toolz.com.au](http://toolz.com.au).



**6. Boire** The French winemaker Catherine Chauchat offers a tight edit of fine wines, including some rare French vintages, in this elegant, unadorned bar. A small menu (two starters, two entrees, two desserts, *c'est tout!*) includes such peasant-inspired dishes as stuffed fennel and organic pot-au-feu. 92 Smith Street; [www.boire.net.au](http://www.boire.net.au).

**2. Guy Mathews Vintage Industrial Furniture** → Mathews's focus is on French furniture, which he sources in Paris and Marseille. "Even if French pieces are designed to be utilitarian," he says, "they have a flourish to them." 154 Johnston Street; 011-61-3-9417-5750.

**3. Cutler & Co** At his new restaurant, the rising star Andrew McConnell serves contemporary European dishes like suckling pig cooked sous vide for 12 hours and then flash-fried. 55-57 Gertrude Street; 011-61-3-9419-4888; [cutlerandco.com.au](http://cutlerandco.com.au).



**7. E.S.S** The flagship store of the Melbourne-based Japanese designers Hoshika Oshimi and Tatsuyoshi Kawabata showcases their sculptural clothes for men and women — think asymmetrical cuts and complicated draping. Take note of the music playing, too: it might be by Kawabata, who's also a composer. 114 Gertrude Street; 011-61-3-9495-6112; [ess-laboratory.com](http://ess-laboratory.com).

**8. Lamington Drive** What better way for an agent to show off his stable of illustrators than by opening his own gallery? Jeremy Wortsman displays a rotating roster of artists at this cardboard-lined space, including Rik Lee, Cailan Burns and many more. 89 George Street; 011-61-3-8060-9745; [jackywinter.com](http://jackywinter.com).



**1. Third Drawer Down** ↑ Art and commerce come together in this eccentric shop, which commissions designers from around the world to create limited-edition curiosities, like a napkin by Louise Bourgeois and pillowcases by Miranda July. 93 George Street; 011-61-3-9534-4088; [thirddrawerdown.com](http://thirddrawerdown.com).

