

Fad or fab?

FANNY PACKS

## It's all in the bag



▲ Free People's Cut n Paste woven cross-body belt bag. \$158, available at [freepeople.com](http://freepeople.com)

AS THE CYCLICAL NATURE of the fashion world dictates, what comes around goes around. And, as the Spring/Summer 2019 style season demonstrates, sometimes it goes around your waist.

Brace yourself. The fanny pack is back.

Rebranded as a waist or belt bag, the modern iteration of the '80s hip-slung accessory is staging a successful return.

Fanny packs are gaining serious high fashion cred with the stylish set (think Kim Cattrall and Katie Holmes). Even high-end designers such as Prada and Balenciaga sent models down SS19 runways with these pouches.

While fanny pack purists can still turn to designers such as Free People and Alexander Wang for old-school styles, most designers have modernized to a sleek bag attached to a thin belt. Placement is also a place to play. Transform it with a diagonal drape.

If you can't beat them, join them. Belt bags are wrapping themselves around the fashion industry and, like it or not, they are securely fashioned. *CHERYL FENTON*

### WHERE TO FIND THEM

- ▶▶ All Too Human, 236 Clarendon St., Boston
- ▶▶ Rag & Bone, 111 Newbury St., Boston
- ▶▶ Burberry, 2 Newbury St., Boston
- ▶▶ Free People, 200 Boylston St., Chestnut Hill

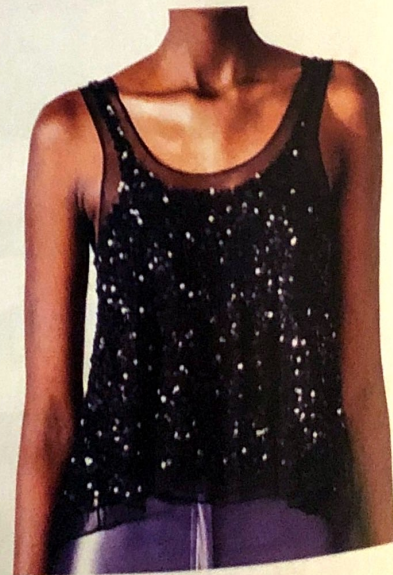


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