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Happy Birthday Canada!

We're celebrating at WEST of the City! In this commemorative issue of WEST, we have quite a few surprises in store. We've dedicated all of our features to our beautiful country so within these pages, you'll find Canadian-made products, red-and-white themed fashion, province-jumping travel adventures, and patriotic beverages.

In our Getaways section, we province-trot with a bucket list of incredible experiences across Canada. Did you know we have our very own Dead Sea? And you can float in it? Or, how about scaling a frozen waterfall? Find out where you can dive into these adventures and add a few more to your bucket list by heading on over to page 102.

And while local jetsetting over the summer, don't forget to pack the latest novel from some of our favourite Canadian authors. You'll find the complete list on page 54.

With summer comes entertaining, and this 'royal' cocktail we feature on page 116 is a Canadian classic and the only drink worth having for many die-hard fans. I'm talking about the Caesar. Our resident Caesar-drinking-master (a.k.a. Associate Editor Kristy Elik) really took her research seriously for this story.

As noted on our front cover, we've included a special section within our pages. To celebrate the local businesses we've all come to love and that have helped put our communities on the map, WEST is excited to showcase them through an exclusive feature. Appropriately called Proudly Canadian, this exclusive 32-page business showcase profiles the many businesses calling Canada, and our communities, home. Supported by our local business community, this special section begins on page 61.

Enjoy the summer and all the wonderful Canada 150 celebrations!

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Canadian Open



Exclusive feature!

In honour of Canada's 150th, we profile our local business leaders who have made Canada, and our communities, their home. Our commemorative 32-page feature begins on page 61!

Canadian icon

First introduced into the fur trade in 1780, the **Hudson's Bay Company point blanket** has, for two centuries, been a familiar item both here at home and around the world.

This classic white blanket, with its stripes of green, red, yellow and indigo, is known as a multi-stripe or a "chief's blanket." The wool was (and still is) a blend of varieties from Britain and New Zealand, each selected for its special qualities that will make the blanket water resistant, soft, warm and strong. Today, point blankets are available at select Hudson's Bay Company stores across Canada. King-sized point blanket, \$550.
thebay.com



One-of-a-kind Creuset

For Canada 150, Le Creuset Canada is proud to unveil a limited edition **Maple Leaf Round French Oven**. In honour of the country's year of Confederation, only 1,867 have been produced – each individually numbered to preserve their distinctiveness. The Maple Leaf Round French Oven has a capacity of 5.3 litres and is hand-enamelled in Le Creuset's iconic hue, Cherry. Since 1925, every enamelled cast iron product has been produced in France where individual moulds are made for each shape and size. The Maple Leaf mould was used to produce the units before being destroyed, forever preserving the unique qualities of this piece of Le Creuset and this moment in Canada's history. \$500. Available at ECS Coffee, Burlington and Ancaster locations. **ecscoffee.com**



Rugged and iconic

Ergonomically designed with you in mind, this **Adirondack chair** provides contoured deep seating for ultimate comfort. It has a beautiful wood grain appearance, but is made from recycled, environmentally friendly materials as well as commercial-grade industrial plastic. It does not need painting or refinishing. There is no concern for rot or slivers as it is completely weatherproof and maintenance free, and there's no need to store it inside. Just sit back and relax! \$489. Available at Southern Living Design, Mississauga.
southernlivingdesign.ca

It's a Canadian thing

Canada flag pillows available in many colours. Soft-knit casing. Starting at \$69. Available at Joshua Creek Furniture, Oakville.
joshuacreekfurniture.com



Suite dreams

Canadian made by Durham Furniture, located in the small town of Durham, Ontario, this sturdy **bed frame** is made of solid maple and is available in either a wire-brushed or smooth finish, and in a multitude of different stains. This latest collection from Durham also includes a wide range of bedroom suites as well as occasional pieces such as tables, desks, entertainment stands and bookcases. Queen size bed with upholstered headboard, \$1,999. Available at Swiss Interiors, Oakville.
swissinteriors.com

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Wear stylish and patriotic red and white this summer



Belt it out

Strut your stuff on the golf course by making sure your accessories are on par with the rest of your golfing ensemble with the **HOLEONE belt**. Finished in soft leather, this classic piece features a boldly printed reverse so you can switch up your style, \$109. Available at tedbaker.com



The classic

Start with a classic white textured **French cuff dress shirt** from Lipson Shirtmakers, \$178. Add a red paisley 100% **silk necktie** from Dion Neckwear, \$118. The finishing detail? A red 100% **silk pocket square** from Dion Neckwear, \$38. All available at Bush's Men's Wear, Burlington. bushs.ca



Sneaker series

The **ADD0 men's burnished calf leather sneaker** ups the ante on the average sneaker style. This handsome leather lace-up style shoe is crafted from the finest Italian leather and accented with detailed stitching for a finished look. The lightweight, white sole and leather lining ensure that this sneaker is easy to wear, \$280. Available at M for Men, Oakville. mformen.com



Slick slacks

John Varvatos Star U.S.A. **Bowery Slim straight jeans** offer a modern, masculine 5-pocket denim look with a touch of stretch for comfort, \$258. Available at thebay.com, harryrosen.com and nordstrom.com



Going swimmingly

Make a splash this summer in these Ted Baker **BILKO swim shorts**. With a contemporary slim fit and distinctive striped design, this dapper pair will ensure your poolside look is jaunty, yet stylish all season long, \$135. Available at tedbaker.com

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WOMEN'S STYLE

HOME GROWN APPAREL

Uber-talented designers turn the fashion world's gaze to Canada

Accessible luxury

Considered the 'Jersey Boys' of Toronto, Greta Constantine designers Kirk Pickersgill and Stephen Wong have rapidly accumulated a clientele comprised of international socialites and celebrities alike since starting their label in 2006. The pair works together in their Toronto area studio. Shown here, **the Dean**, is an example of the latest Greta Constantine fall 2017 collection. \$2,245. Available at By Tocca, Oakville.

bytocca.ca



Luxe loungewear

A-listers like Oprah, Catherine Zeta Jones, Gwyneth Paltrow and Diana Krall love Christine Morton's lingerie line, designed and manufactured in Canada. Her unique and beautiful loungewear includes sexy-sweet chemises, soft pajamas and glam caftans.

Multicolour robe, \$375. **Pink nightie**, \$225.

Available at Good Night Good Morning, Oakville.

goodnightgoodmorning.ca, christinelingerie.com

Conscious comfort

Produced in Canada with a minimized environmental footprint in mind, Miik dyes, mills, designs and sews locally, balancing ethical practices with style. Dressed up or down, this **Nicole maxi dress** easily transitions from an afternoon on the town to an elegant evening out. An empire waist lets this dress flow away from the body for a flattering, feminine shape. Nicole dress, \$185. Available at Joelle's, Burlington.

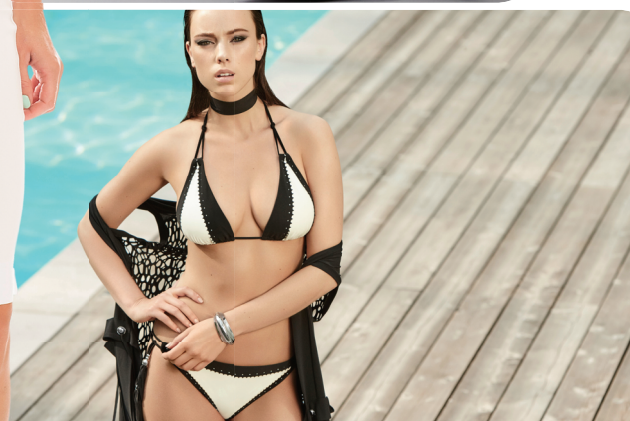
joelles.com, miik.ca



Flexible, yet stylish

Designed and manufactured locally, Brenda Beddome pieces are perfect for women who want comfort and style, plus clothes that fit and flatter their figure. **Jersey Bias draped and Shirred top**, \$88. **Stretch Prada twill Bermuda shorts**, \$140. Available at Sienna Boutique, Oakville; Sienna 2 Boutique, Mississauga; and Joelle's, Burlington.

siennaboutique.ca, joelles.com



Waterside worthy

SHAN swimwear creator Chantal Levesque, who founded her company in Quebec in 1985, combines the superior quality of raw materials, design and manufacturing methods with a unique avant-garde design. **Go West triangle bikini top**, \$160.

Go West low rise bikini bottom, \$140.

SHAN swimwear is available at Inside Story Fine Lingerie, Oakville and Mississauga locations; and Susan's Fine Lingerie & Swimwear, Mississauga.

insidestory.ca, susansfinelingerie.com