

BIG BAG THEORY

Whatever you're shouldering – a baguette, a laptop or a mini-wardrobe – these luggage pieces have your back

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1 Sac à Baguette by Marybeth Shaw

For every North American balancing a BlackBerry and a Starbucks coffee, there is a Frenchman easing a baguette into his bag. This Paris-inspired canvas tote, complete with a baguette caddy, comes in four city-themed colour palettes, including black and blue New York, and grey and red Rotterdam. From \$310, sacabaguette.com

2 De Gaulle By Want Les Essentiels de la Vie

Traditional and modern are effortlessly balanced in Want Les Essentiels de la Vie's bags, which draw inspiration from international airports. The Montreal company's luxurious De Gaulle satchel, for example, is handcrafted in Italy in either leather or organic cotton, and easily accommodates a 14-inch laptop. \$1175, wantessentiels.com

3 Collapse Series By Frrry

Thanks to strategically placed seams, this durable chocolate brown leather bag by Ferry Meewisse gracefully and conveniently crumples flat when not in use. It comes in five trip-oriented sizes, from overnight to a full week. From \$240, frrry.com

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In-the-bag essentials



The Auer pattern, by **Marimekko** designer Katsuji Wakisaka, gives this umbrella the feeling of morning mist. marimekko.fi



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The face of Eric Janssen's watch for **Areaware** tilts ever so slightly, aligning with the wearer's natural field of vision. areaware.com



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