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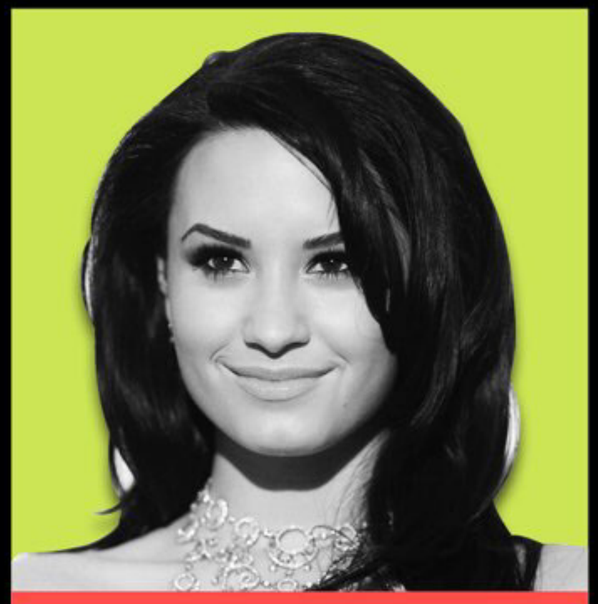
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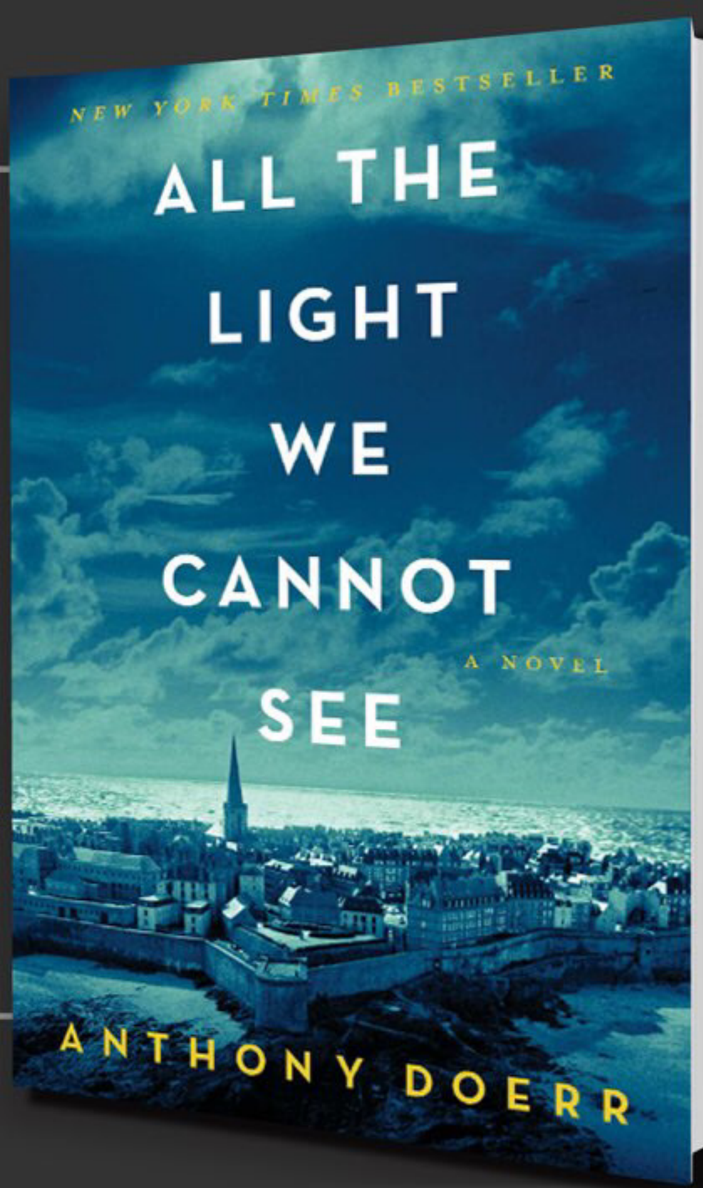


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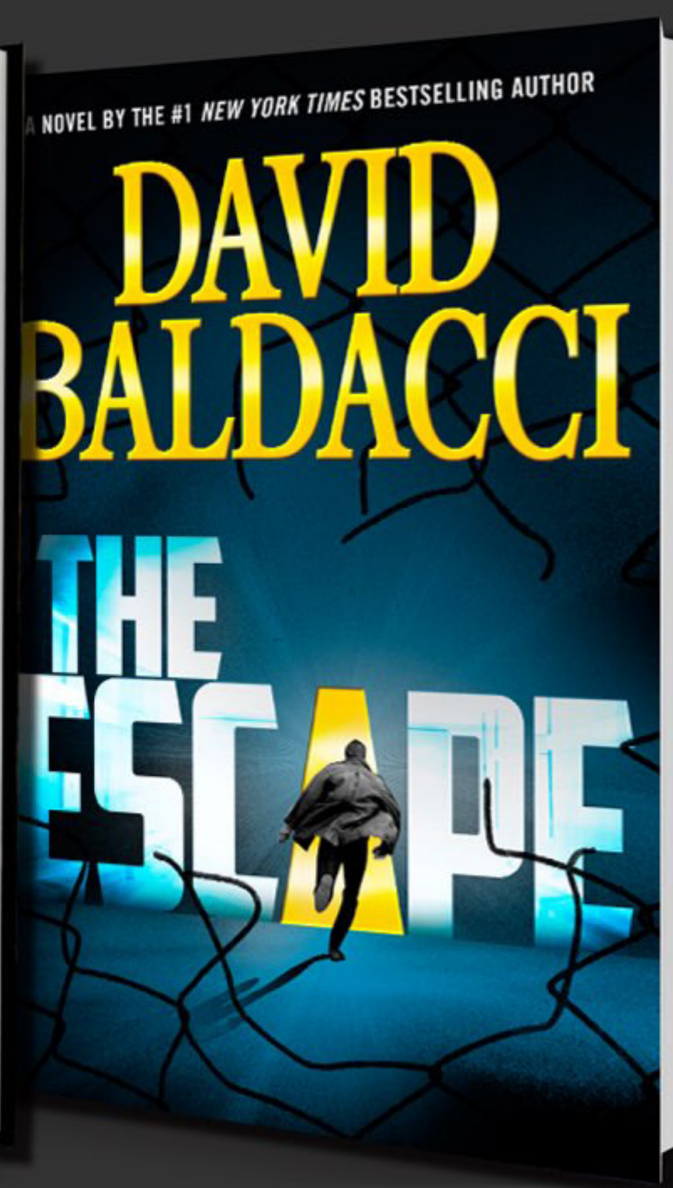
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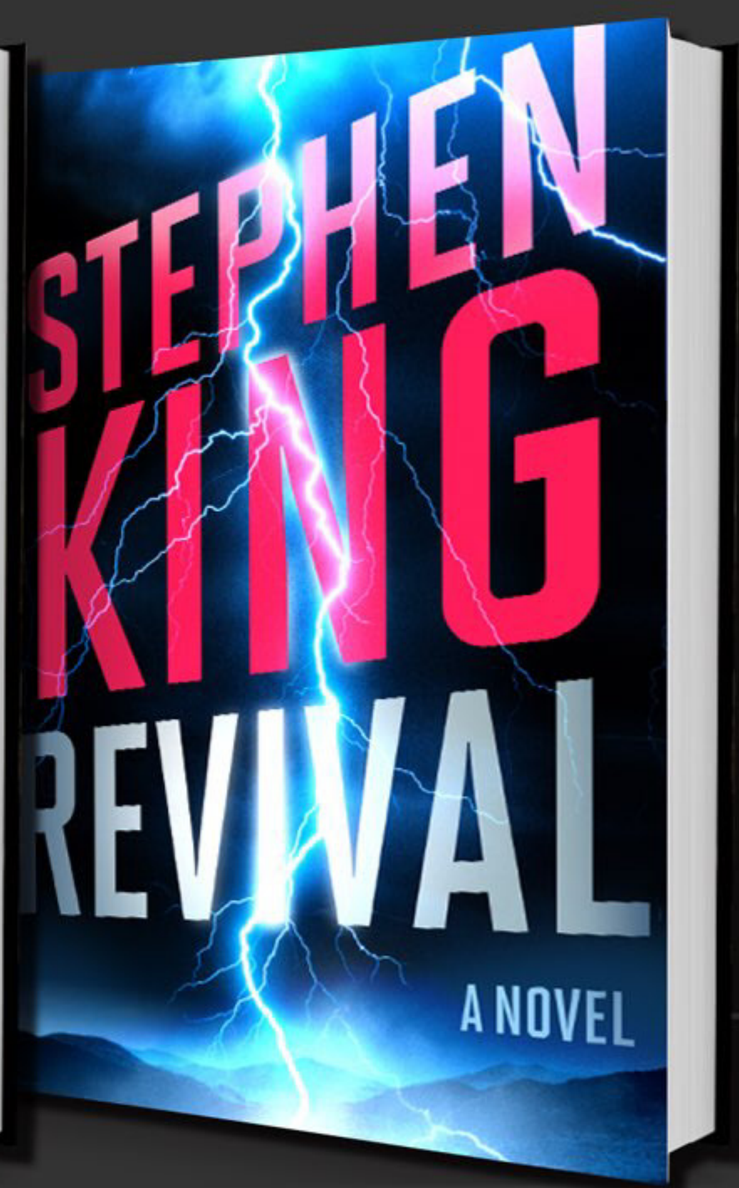
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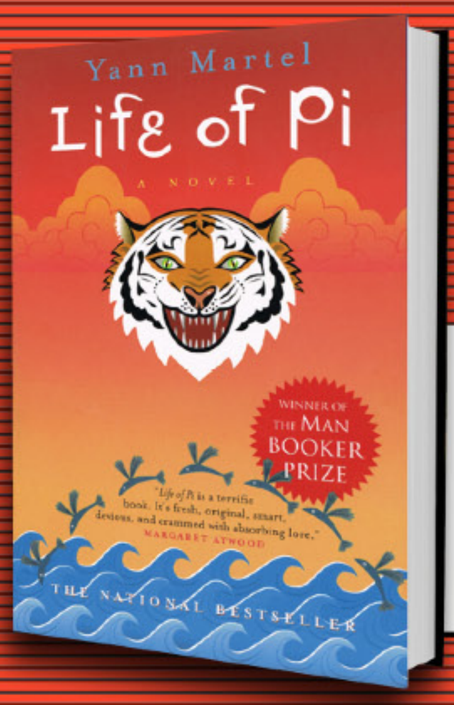


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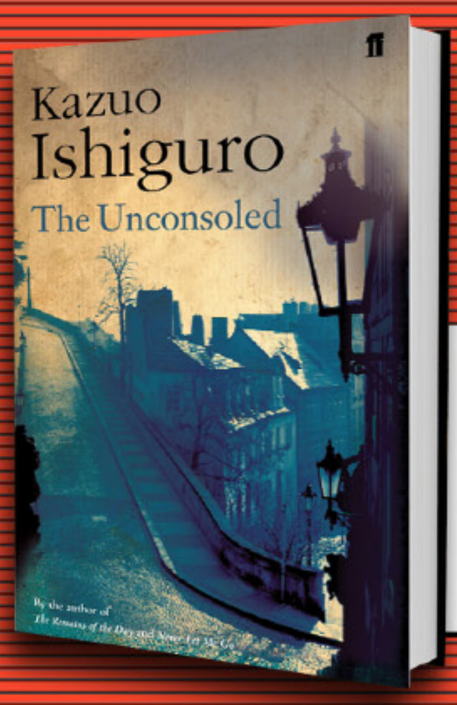


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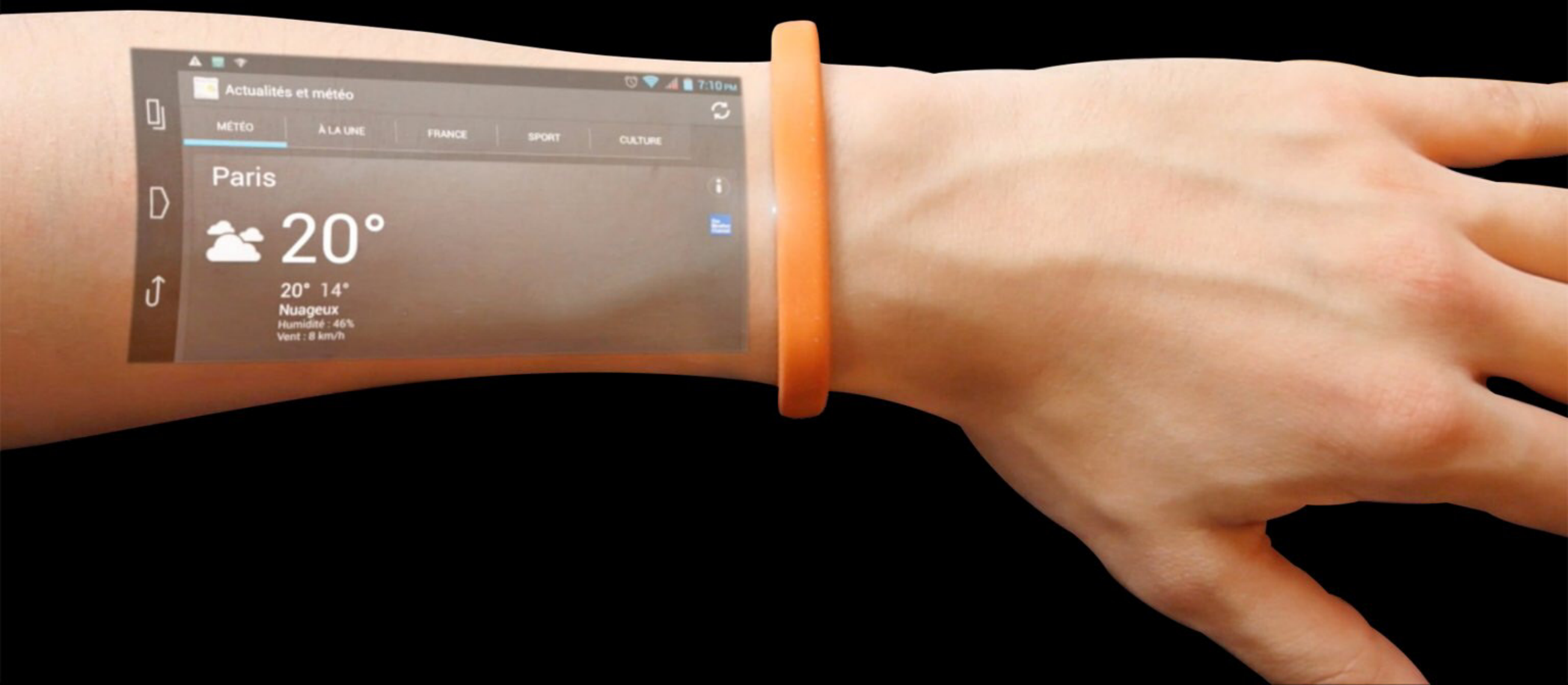
THE UNCONSOLED
BY KAZUO ISHIGURO

Android Humanoid

Though it is still in development, this little bracelet-shaped device represents all you ever wanted. The French-designed Cicret Bracelet uses a tiny pico projector and a set of sensors that project an Android interface on your forearm, with a twist of the wrist. The proximity sensors detect finger movement, thus allowing them to interact with the interface just like on any typical Android device. In essence, this gadget will turn your arm into an Android Operating System, allowing you use it like any other cell phone.



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Killer Resolution

IF YOU BELIEVE THAT YOUR OLD DSLR HAS HIGH QUALITY RESOLUTION, YOU ARE GREATLY MISTAKEN



If you believe that your old DSLR has high quality resolution, you are greatly mistaken. The new Phase Alpa A-Series Camera is a blend of a Phase One digital medium format and an Alpa body. This up-to-date camera with classic hand-operated controls will be available in three models: the 80-megapixel A280 – excellent for top resolution; the 60-megapixel A260 – first-class for long exposures; and the 50-megapixel A250 with an outstanding low-light capacity of the remaining two. In addition, you'll be able to choose any of the three lenses: the Alpagon 5.6/23mm, Alpar 4.0/35mm and the Alpagon 5.6/70mm. However, extra hard disk space is not included.



Buckle **Up!**

If you want to own this buckle, you'd better start saving money. Believe it or not, it costs $400.000! Moreover, you should really hurry up, as only three of them will be made. This precious buckle has 167 separate components, which are at the same time an article of clothing and a mechanical piece of jewelry. Detailed and intricate, Calibre R822 buckle offers a simple, one-handed adjustment for two positions – looser, for driving or sitting, and tighter, for walking or playing sports, and is easily attached to any belt strap. It's studded with 387 baguette- and round-cut diamonds, so we just might understand the price.



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+ Beer Festival

Three friends drink beer during the annual beer festival in Hanoi. Thousands of beer lovers gather in the streets of Vietnam's cities to enjoy "Bia Hoi", a local cheep draft beer. Some surveys say that Vietnam is one of the top beer drinking countries in South Asia.

Hanoi, Vietnam





world IN PICTURES

+ Christmas Festivities

During the annual Santacon festival, people dressed as Santa Claus and Mrs. Santa Claus take selfies at Times Square, New York. Santacon is a Christmas festivity held in several cities around the world.

New York, the USA



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+ Temples and Balloons

Three hot air balloons fly over the ancient temples at sunrise. They are traveling over Bagan, an ancient city located in the Mandalay Region of Burma (Northern Myanmar).

Bagan, Burma (Myanmar)





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+ Dip in the Seine

More than 400 participants race on their stand up paddles on the Seine River in Paris. They set off from the National Library of France and paddle for 10km to get to the finish line at Quai de Javel.

Paris, France





world IN PICTURES

+ Fallen Tree Leaves

A young girl from Afghanistan collects fallen autumn tree leaves. Poverty and an ongoing insurgency by the ousted Talibans still pose a threat to the stability of the country.

Jalal-Abad, Afghanistan





world IN PICTURES

+ Wave Riding

At Praia do Norte beach, near the fishing village of Nazare, an unidentified surfer rides a monster wave. This wave is estimated to be 100ft, which makes it the biggest of its kind. The beach became popular because of this type of brave big wave surfers.

Nazare, Portugal





world IN PICTURES

+ Angry Volcanoes

Thick and hot smoke spews from Mount Sinabung. After the deadly eruptions in February, when 17 people lost their lives, the local government of Indonesia now had to relocate residents as another eruption is expected.

Karo, Indonesia







world IN PICTURES

+ Hello from Polar Bear

In their cozy lodge in the zoo of La Flèche, these two women look at Taiko, a polar bear playing in its pond. Every night people come to these lodges, so that they could share a moment or two with polar bears.

La Flèche, France





world IN PICTURES

+ Skating in Paris

For Christmas this year, the Grand Palais is hosting an ice skating rink. Here, people skate in the glass-roofed central hall of the Grand Palais in Paris.

Paris, France





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+ Chrismtas Truce

Dressed as WWI British and German soldiers, participants pose in Comines-Warneton during the inauguration of a monument to commemorate the soldiers of opposite camps who took part in the 1914 Chrismtas Truce.

Comines, Belgium



Girl Profile

Marloes Is the New Black

Room Full of Sunshine

Hot OR Not

MANIC METER

Who's cool, and who's not?
What to get and what to avoid?

Britney & Iggy
The two hotties announced a collaborating project. We know they will get the party started ASAP.



Staying in and watching movies
can be as fun as going out. Call all your friends and have a movie night party.





Marc Ronson
the cool guy and his Uptown Funk with Bruno Mars is definitely one of the coolest songs ever.

Sweaters are winter essentials
Trendy, comfy, warm, and most importantly, very practical. Be that hot guy in an awesome sweater.





Sneakers are back!
Match those retro Adidas with your best suit for the ultimate hot retro look.

Holiday Depression happens
as maybe some things don't really always pan out for you. Take a glass of red wine with someone dear and don't be blue.





Vlogers
come in all shapes and sizes (and some can be really interesting), but there are many that are popular for all the wrong reasons.

Unprotected sex
Sex is a great way to warm up during winter, but don't forget to put your Jimmy Hat on. Better safe than sorry.





Miley Cyrus Hospital Selfie
Seriously? Looking at the inside of one's arm is just fucking disturbing. Enough!



Not responding to a message
is so not cool. Stop it now and start answering.

TOP 5

Extravagant Wonders of the New Era

At the moment, humanity can't be easily amazed. Finding fascinating discoveries in the 21st century can be a very difficult task, as revolutionaries around the world are constantly coming up with new ideas. However, we managed to create a list of the most extravagant, mind-blowing creations of the New Era that are simply too incredible not to be on this list.



The Venetian Macao China

This luxurious hotel and casino resort in Macau, China, owned by the Las Vegas Sands, is the largest casino in the world and the largest hotel in Asia.



Bird's Nest China

Bird's Nest is one of the most original stadiums in the world. It got its name due to steel beams that give the impression of a bird's nest. It broke ground in 2003, and it was officially opened in 2008 for Summer Olympics and Paralympics. It cost around 450 million dollars.

Tokyo Skytree Japan

Tokyo Skytree is the tallest broadcast, observation and restaurant tower in the world, with the height of 634 meters. The construction started in 2008 and the tower was officially opened in 2012. Its value is estimated to be more than 800 million dollars.

Ms Allure of the Seas

Ms Allure of the Seas is the largest passenger ship ever made, with the length of 362 meters. The construction began in 2008 with a completion date in 2009. It costs around 1.2 billion dollars. Ms Allure of the Seas' first voyage was in 2010.

Burj Khalifa Dubai

This is the tallest skyscraper in the world, with its height of 829.8 meters. It took only 6 years to complete it and was officially opened on January 4, 2010. Its value is estimated to be more than 1.5 billion dollars.

Millau Viaduct France

This bridge is the tallest one ever built, with the height of 343 meters. It goes across the valley of the River Tarn in South France. It was opened in 2004 and it cost approximately 500 million dollars.

Antilia Mumbai

Antilia is the largest residential complex in South Mumbai, with the height of 170 meters and 27 floors. It got its name after the mythical island in the Atlantic Ocean. It is estimated that Antilia's value is more than 1 billion dollars, because of the increasing value of the surrounding area.

by: Dr. Aaron U. Isakowych

World War
THE NUCLEAR POWERS

TAP TO NUKE

THE WORLD HAS SURVIVED THE COLD WAR. THE TWO OPPOSING SIDES, EQUIPPED WITH NUCLEAR WEAPONS, STOOD AGAINST EACH OTHER IN THE SECOND HALF OF THE LAST CENTURY, HOLDING THE WHOLE WORLD IN THE THROES AND FEAR OF A NUCLEAR DISASTER. TODAY, AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 21ST CENTURY, THINGS ARE AGAIN GETTING COMPLICATED AND INTENSE. WILL THE WORLD SURVIVE ANOTHER WAR OF SUCH KIND?

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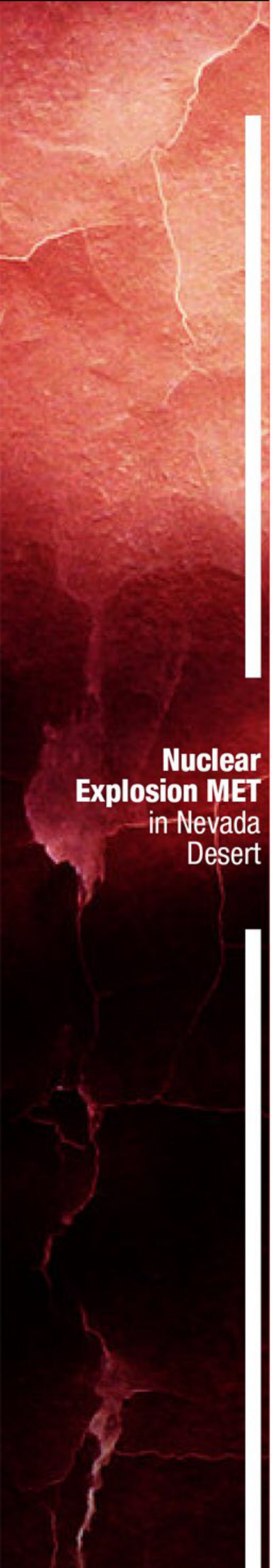
Family Of Mannequins in Living Room
4/27/1955 Yucca Flat, Nevada

It has been more than two decades since the end of this conflict, and today, the truce is shaky again – leading to the reappearance of the sense of revenge and bringing the world into a stalemate. Several countries have developed nuclear weapons over the course of the past twenty years. Some of them are in the midst of diplomatic quarrels, confronted by ideologies and difference in interests, while others are openly at war. The world is increasingly taking up arms, as there are about 70 reactors worldwide. We already live in a dangerous zone where discharge will almost inevitably occur, unfortunately and surely leading to a great number of casualties, maybe even an apocalypse. Although it takes a lot of time and knowledge to develop nuclear weapons, the current arsenal is sufficient to cause fear.



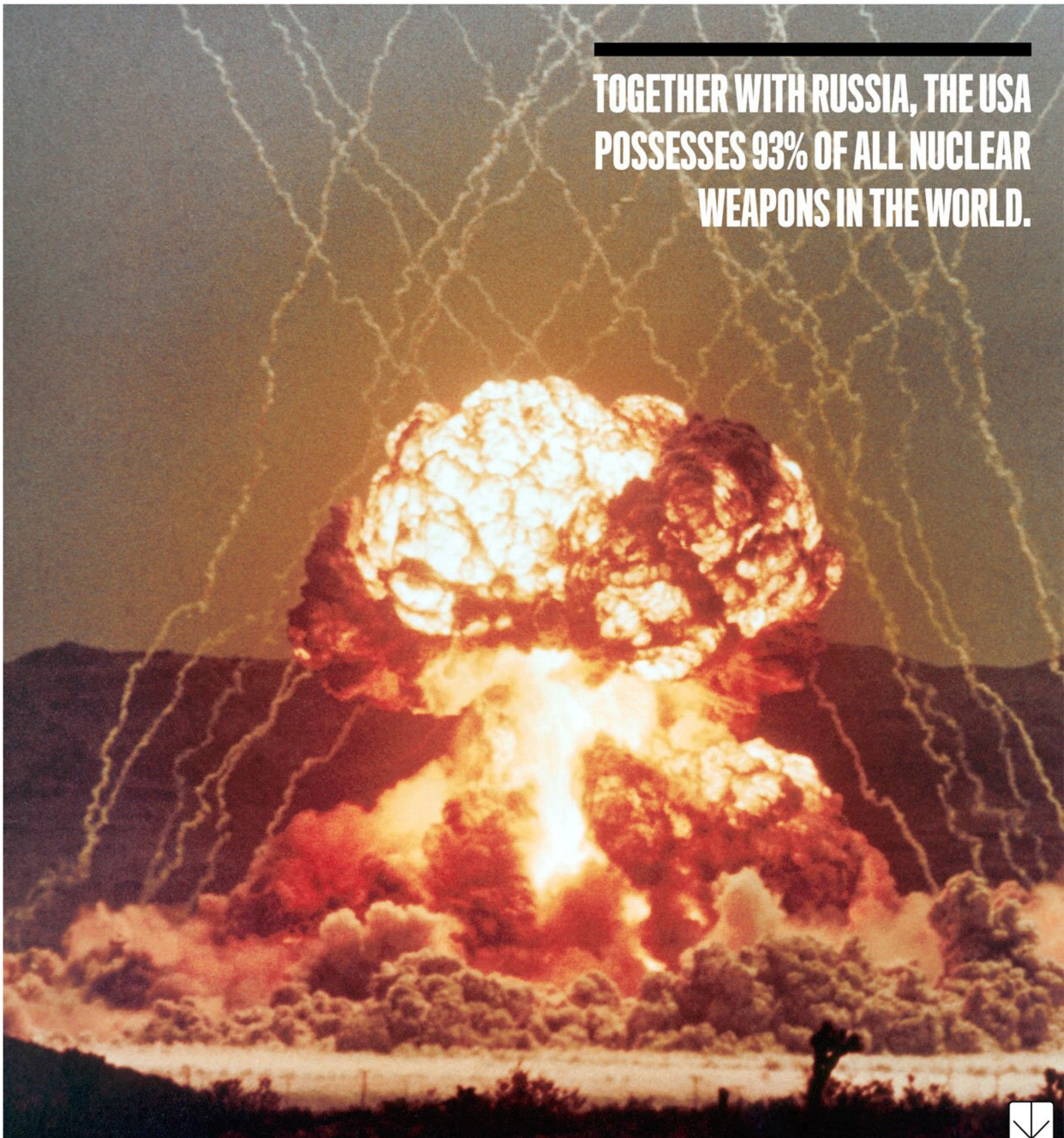
Red Alert

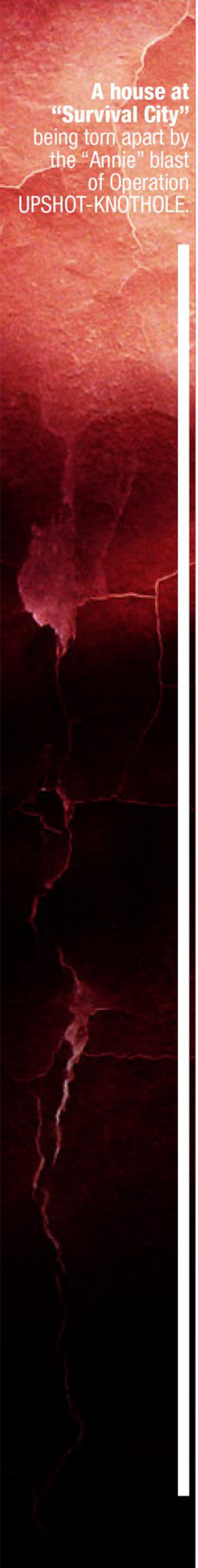
Russia developed its first nuclear bomb in 1949, during the time of the USSR. The exact number of nuclear bombs is unknown, since many are unaccounted for because of the constant moving and disassembling of the devices, but estimates start at eight thousand. What makes the situation dangerous now is the fact that Russia has once again come into the public eye due to the unfortunate events in Ukraine and Syria. Quarrels with the West are egressing and even the rhetoric is starting to look familiar – as if it were the time of the Cold War again.



Uncle Sam's Toys

The USA is the only country ever to have used nuclear weapons, and the fears that the history will repeat itself are justified. There have been over a thousand nuclear tests since the first one in 1945. Together with Russia, the USA possesses 93% of all nuclear weapons in the world. The USA has several hundred warheads located in the allies' territories today, even though the government's policy was to reduce the number of these devices around the world. The picture's not perfect, but it is certainly far better, as the USA has cut back on the number of bombs from over 30 000 to an estimated several thousand. In the end, perhaps the numbers are not as important as their schedule.





A house at "Survival City" being torn apart by the "Annie" blast of Operation UPSHOT-KNOTHOLE.



Gaul Headcase

It's been estimated that France has less than 300 warheads around the globe. This figure may be much smaller than those of the USA and Russia, but it is certainly not negligible. There has not (yet) been a reason for the French to use any of these devices. However, the oddest thing about their nuclear power is their conducting the tests in the most unusual places, such as certain exotic islands.

Kashmir Misunderstanding

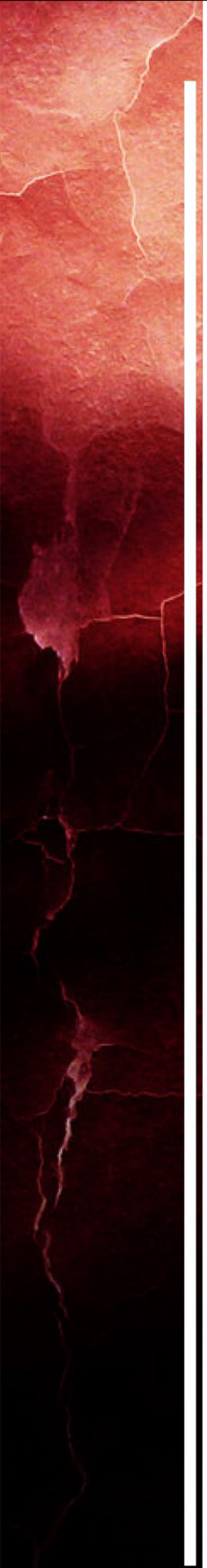
The Kashmir territory is the one situated in the North of the Indian subcontinent, which remained undivided after the separation of Pakistan and India, thus becoming a constant focal point of the conflict between the two respective nuclear powers. In 1947, India's nuclear program was solely peaceful, but it forced Pakistan to arm itself. None

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of these countries is a NPT (Non-Proliferation Treaty) member and clashes on their borders are frequent. Although the conflict could arise because of the Kashmir territory, one of the possible scenarios is also a religious war. The number of warheads in India is about 100 and some 120 in Pakistan, according to estimates.

Nevada Nuclear Tests
US Marines are watching nuclear tests at the Atomic Energy Comission site





Chinese Fireworks

China is one of the fastest growing economies ever. This old country managed to become an influential member of the international community by using particular connections and creating a derivative of its own variants of communism and capitalism. To remain firmly on the ground, it needed nuclear weapons. Although its first tests were performed in 1964, China is still the most mysterious country when it comes to its weapons, due to its modern systems of concealment and underground storage. The estimates are that they have about 250 atomic bombs.

Israeli Shield

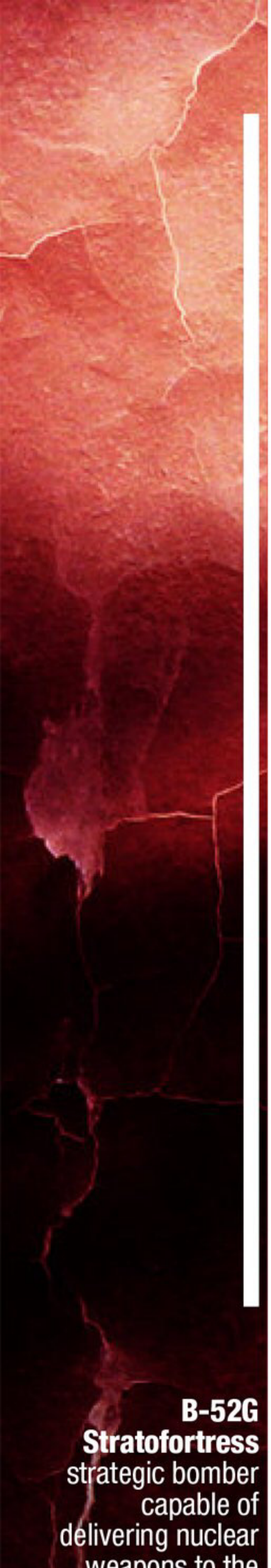
Israel has made its survival depend on the weapons it controls. In addition to organizing the best land and air defense in the world (the Iron Shield), they have equipped the country with some atomic force, owing to the constant threats they receive. However, Israel does note that

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they will not be the ones to cause a nuclear war in the Middle East. They have not publicly disclosed owning any nuclear bombs; however, the Israeli officials do not deny it. It is an open secret that Israel has the bomb, but the numbers of devices are uncertain and go from a few dozen to several hundred.

North Korean Ace

Kim's family treasure might hold the atomic bomb. North Korea has certainly shown the desire and agility in its efforts to develop nuclear weapons system in the recent years. In 2010, it demonstrated the centrifuge room and a heavy water reactor in 2013. There is still some suspicion about their ability to develop weapons of high-enriched uranium, as it takes a lot of money. Even if they somehow managed to build up a nuclear system, they may possess between 6 to 10 bombs. However, it is more likely that this is all a part of a war propaganda.



Arab-Persian Belt

Although it has announced and threatened on multiple occasions, Iran will most likely not be able to supply the necessary nuclear weapons any time soon. This, of course, does not mean that it will stop trying. On the other hand, Syria and Libya have already completed and closed their programs, as has Iraq – with Saddam Hussein gone. One of the countries speculated to be armed with warheads is Saudi Arabia, and this is one of the best kept secrets. No one knows how many devices this influential state holds on its soil. The whole Arab-Persian belt, along with North Africa's terrain, is an area of a possible escalation of weapons of mass destruction, which would only worsen the current balance and geopolitical situation.

British Style

The United Kingdom, formerly referred to as "the empire on which the sun never sets", now owns a military whose power is far from that of the colonial period, when the army of Her Royal Highness was the strongest on the planet. However, its potential enemies should think twice before deciding to attack this island nation. Namely, from 1952 (when they took the first test) until today, the Brits have "lined up" about 200 warheads (160 strategic) in their warehouses. This amount of destructive power is enough, not only to destroy the enemies, but the entire planet as well.



B-52G Stratofortress strategic bomber capable of delivering nuclear weapons to the other side of the world.

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BLACK SEA, MORTDECAI, A MOST VIOLENT YEAR, ESCOBAR: PARADISE LOST

by: Susan Blossom

THE *Modern(Family)* STEREOTYPES

American sitcoms have become a part of pop culture, even culture in general. **They give us an insight, a clear and deep perception of today's life making us unconsciously and intuitively grasp the inner nature of things,** as they reflect a certain American lifestyle and worldview



WHERE Did It All Go Wrong ?

Take for example Modern Family, a show that, if we only look at numbers, has won one Golden Globe and has another 82 wins and 213 nominations. Shot in a mockumentary style, it focuses on three different families, all closely related, and their small adventures as they take one day at the time. **The show is reasonably called Modern Family,** as all three families represent a particular unusual type and are interrelated: **a traditional heterosexual family with three children** (the Dunphys); **a homosexual family with an adopted daughter** (Mitchell Pritchett and Cameron Tucker); **and a mixed marriage** (the Pritchetts). Truly, this family is different, if we take into consideration a stereotypical view on social units living together, and if we do not scratch deeper than the surface. But **if we look a bit deeper, we will conclude that each structure fits into a standard, "normal" ideology of what family is.** The show actually pushes stereotypes and traditional gender roles, no matter how much it tries to promote a forward-thinking, new and original idea of a family. This modern family, no matter how much it tries to convey something different, is still buried in an old

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patriarchal structure. For a while, first couple of seasons of the show, **the homosexual couple represented a particular rebellious subtype – they were liberal and progressive.** They rejected the social norms and standards, and lead their lives as they saw fit. The unconventional social unit they comprised even made them stronger in their beliefs that not everyone has to submit to social/cultural norms.

Modern Family tries to dismiss classic gender constructions, yet completely fails

Even when adopting their daughter, they found a way to state their equality by combining their last names with a hyphen.
This is how they rejected the dominant patriarchal concept.
That is, until the bill that recognized homosexual marriages was passed, and there they were, a typical American future newlyweds, with all their wishes and wedding plans. What producers created from the beginning – a distinctly separate whole – only became a part of the majority and more than an obvious stereotype (a lavish gay wedding, neediness of the future spouses, perfection in every detail, an eccentric gay wedding planner, etc.). What is more interesting, once the rules have been changed, **the question of gender equality emerges** (no matter the fact that they are both the same gender) – **who is to be the bride and who is to be the groom.** In other words, who between the two of them represents the assertive and masculine one, and who the other, feminine and submissive one.

The Pritchetts also deviate from what we would call the standard, as they represent an **cross-cultural couple – the husband, Jay, is white American, and the wife, Gloria, is Latin American (Colombian)**. And this deviation does not end here, there is a huge age gap between them as well, suggesting a variety of stereotypical thoughts about the sincerity of their marital union. **Regardless of how much the characters prove their sincere love for each other, somehow we still linger to the idea that she is a typical gold digger,** and he just another silly rich old man in need of an arm candy after a failed first marriage – another norm not broken by the producers of the show (if ever there was an intention of breaking down norms).
The Dunphys, as the "normal" family among all three, **assume the role of a "stabilizer" in the show,** but with an effort to push the issue of gender role.

Namely, at the beginning of the show, the wife, **Claire**, was a **simple, but very capable homemaker**, a caring **mother of three,** and a skinny blonde with a boyish charm in picking her everyday outfits. The husband, **Phil, was the one providing for his family, the typical husband who "brings home the bacon"**. Later on, after couple of seasons, we see a change of functions – **Claire, still a skinny blonde, but with a sophisticated professional fashion sense** (so as to suggest that she has, in a way, grown), becomes a provider for her family. However, the patriarchal norm is not very much shaken in this case either, as she has not gone too high nor far – she has only taken up a job in her father's company (Jay Pritchett's), so as to learn the business and take over once the time comes, and that is only because his homosexual son seems not to be fit enough to follow in his father's footsteps (although **Mitchell Pritchett is a very successful and capable lawyer).** Further emphasizing her not-so-modern-after-all position, the character completely fulfills the task of a know-it-all wife. **This gender construction and stereotypical perception of a wife that is intelligent, funny and sarcastic, but at the same time unfulfilled career-wise also perfectly applies on other two families:** Gloria's only job is to be a wife to her rich husband, she has no actual career (although she has worked as a hairdresser before), no hobbies (except looking beautiful all the time), and, in addition to this, and unlike Claire who boasts on her role as a caring, good mother, she doesn't even take care for her two



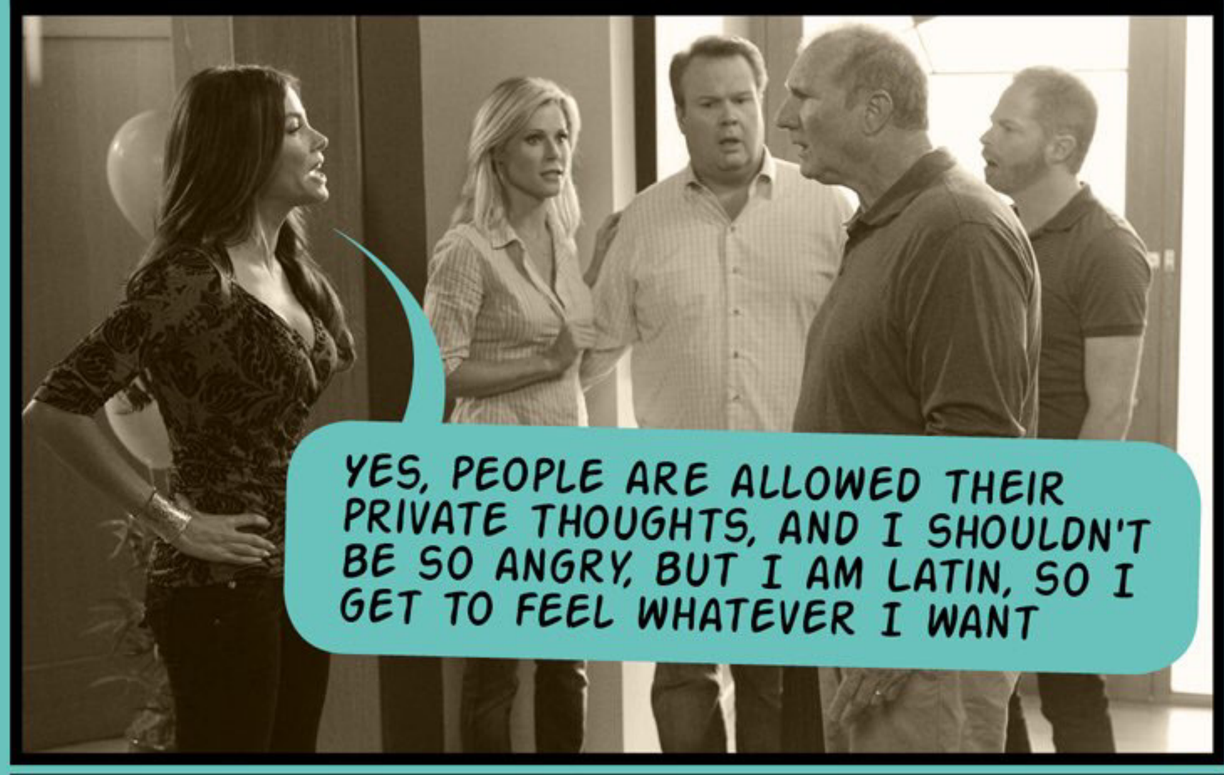
boys, and simply, naturally has a manny (because having a nanny is so passé and men can be perfectly good children custodians as well - oh, how symptomatic).

Modern Family tries to dismiss classic gender constructions, yet completely fails. The more characters **try to step out of the ideal criterion**, the more deeply **and obviously they actualize it**, further accepting and promoting a patriarchal family construction. The effort to promote a matriarchal construction, **the so-called modern division of domestic sphere** (the homemaker is now the father) and undomestic sphere (the provider is now the mother), undoubtedly fails. This is evident especially in the same-gender family, as they work even harder to blend, fit in, and be accepted as "normal" parents. **Cameron**, in this queer family ("queer" as in "beyond or deviating from the usual or expected", but certainly pun intended) **represents a "stay at home dad", and Mitchell is a "working mom".** Yet, **male-dominant ideology of a family is encouraged.** A paradox, really, as they are both of male gender, and as homosexuals do not (or should not) care for classic distribution of gender roles. In fact, they fight against them as most homosexuals do, and this is most concerning. Having in mind that, at the beginning of the show, **the characters of Michel and Cameron did present a family separated from the social standards, we cannot but realize that they have gone into the complete opposite.**

All in all, the show is a large constellation of stereotypes. It is not only full of the gender issues and appropriate male-female role divisions, but it bursts in racial stereotypes as well. **Gloria represents a stereotypical white American view of a Latin American woman.**

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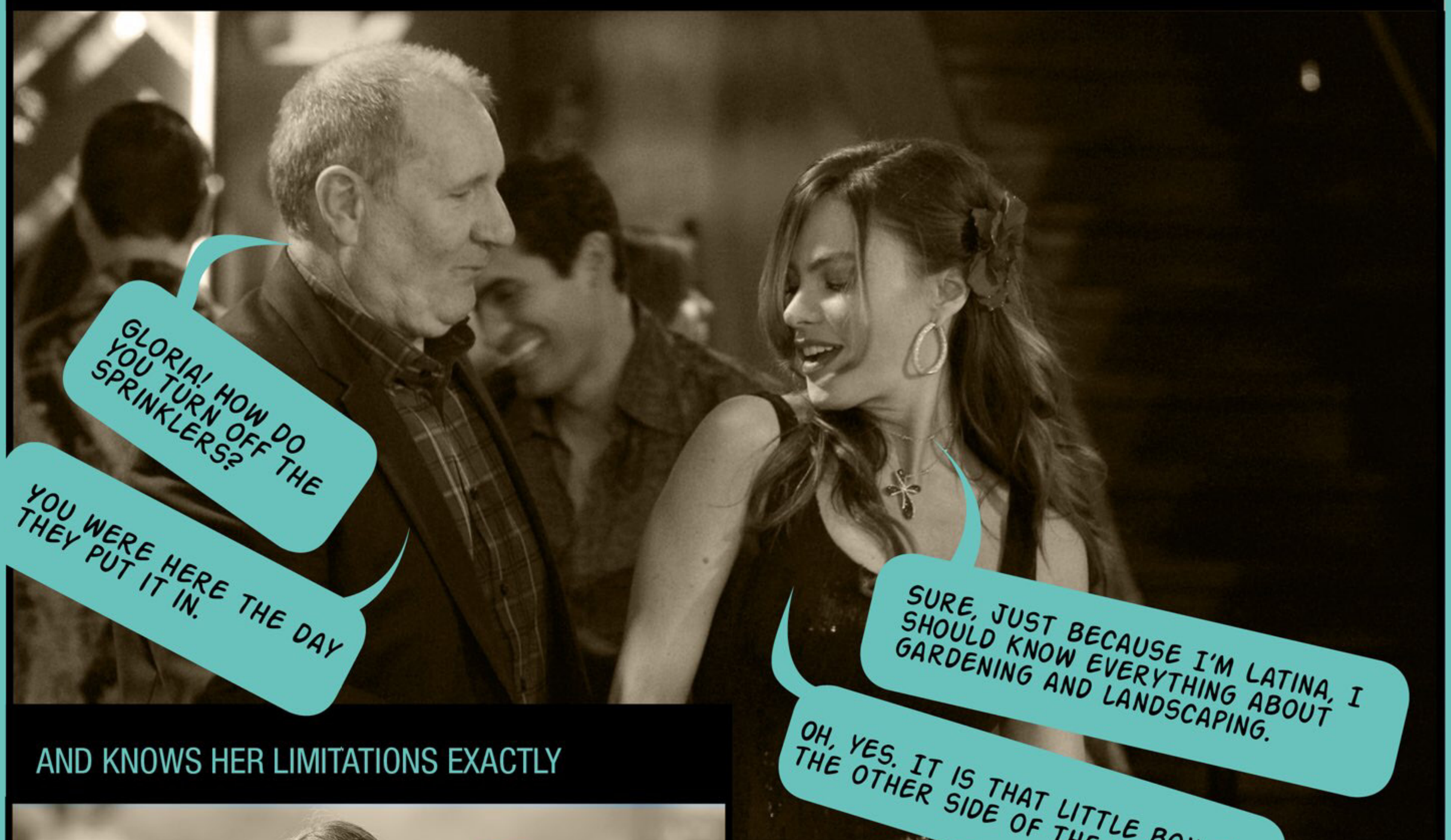
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BUT AS ANY OTHER MODERN WOMAN, SHE OFTEN REBELS AND DEFENDS HERSELF:



AND KNOWS HER LIMITATIONS EXACTLY



We have **Gloria's very racist and stereotypical description on one hand, and on the other, we have Claire, an archetype of a white American housewife.** Although, a quite outdated one - it is unlikely that the modern woman and a mother would not be working, especially as stubborn, controlling, independent spirited and capable one as Claire is.
However, **Claire's** character is presented as a **"once she had a successful job" type of a woman**, which she traded for the job of being a mother. She only turns her attention to her career upon realizing that there will be no one capable enough to continue the family business. But more importantly, she does that once she realizes that her children are growing up and will, inevitably, leave her one day.
Despite its unarguable success and outstanding humor, one might say that Modern Family is just another American sitcom that gives its previews of possible problems in our society, but never really solves them. Some are simply appalled by the completely chaotic relationships and lifestyles of the characters, and dismiss the show without ever even considering the reasons for "why they are the way they are". Modern Family actually minimizes and numbs the real issues, with the means of humor, although I would argue that that is exactly its true purpose. It is so obvious, that it stings. The show provides us with covertly overt opinions to be openly considered, examined and discussed. The producers and great American TV show industry are not to be held responsible for important questions of today, let alone for settling them or offering solutions. They are not even supposed to be agents in deeper discussions of controversial

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stereotypes and effects social standards have on people. **That would mean being offered a plateful of answers, which is nothing less than simple brain washing.** I do not think I should be told what to do and how to perceive reality. I believe we are capable enough to extract whatever meaning from whatever source (a book, a documentary, a sitcom). We are supposed to read into the call for social change, **we are supposed to be aware of contemporary issues, the banality of humor**; and the dose of satire and the very style in which this show is produced are mere letters through which we are supposed to read into a deeper analysis of our society. So, I believe this show actually offers an insight into great many disputable questions and sensitive issues to which we must, each on our own, or maybe as true modern families, give right answers to.

Playing in the Night All Night Long

Evangelya Genkova

Sometimes all I want is a nice drink and a sucker to pay for it

This little she-devil comes from temperamental Bulgaria, but she moved to the states when she was a little girl. Evangelya is 24 and currently works as a waitress, and prides herself in being an aspiring fetish model. She says that she is the blonde new Dita Von Teese. Party all night is her life motto and you can easily spot her getting kinky in the famous Denver nightclubs. For a party with this girl, we would even rush to the highest mountaintop. Naked. In the winter.

I am not an emotional person. I like wild kissing and passionate sex. Romance is for pussies

People who think
that wet dreams are
only for boys are
mistaken.
Like, for real!

I like to seduce people with my naughty look. I am very proud of how I look at people

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HE'S GOOD IN EVERYTHING!

Undoubtedly the most prolific actor of today, he not only mastered all schools of acting, but also nailed every role perfectly. Playing a modern-day Sherlock Holmes made him a thinking woman's sex symbol and skyrocketed him to Hollywood stardom. Privately he is the nicest, most down to earth person you ever did meet, proving once again that brainy is the new sexy.

BENEDICT CUMBERBATCH

Best known for playing highly intelligent characters, Cumberbatch gained worldly recognition with his role of the famous **Sherlock Holmes in the 2010 hit TV show.** The series comes out once a year in three episodes, but the actor wastes no time; soon after the show took off, we started seeing him everywhere – war films, sci-fi, spy thrillers, dramas, on TV and radio, at the theatre. There's little this 38-year-old can't do. He has this unbelievable gift for transformation that makes him a versatile actor (just look at his celebrity impersonations that flooded the Internet), but it's the trade mark rich baritone voice, swift movements and in-your-face quick wit that created his massive fan legion. **He even has a female-only fun base that call themselves "Cumberbitches"!**

HE HAS THIS UNBELIEVABLE GIFT FOR TRANSFORMATION THAT MAKES HIM A VERSATILE ACTOR (JUST LOOK AT HIS CELEBRITY IMPERSONATIONS THAT FLOODED THE INTERNET)

Benedict Timothy Carlton Cumberbatch was born on July 19, 1976 in London, to Wanda Ventham and Timothy Carlton Cumberbatch who were both famous television actors. Interestingly enough, they both played his character's parents in the hit series "Sherlock". However, they weren't always supportive of their son's decision to pursue acting. Having provided him with the highest possible education that they could afford, it seemed best that young Benedict studied law. Nevertheless, he went on to pursue his passion and began his acting career, even though he had many different interests as a teenager. In school, he received an arts scholarship and painted oil canvases. **Upon finishing his studies, he took a gap year to travel to Tibet where he taught English to monks.** Benedict began his drama studies at Manchester University and finished them in a one-year course at the London

Academy of Music and Dramatic Art. His talent was recognized early, so by the time he had completed his studies, he had already signed with an agent. **He gave his first performances on stage while he was still in school, in a production of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer's Night Dream"**. Post 2001, he has shown off his skills at the Open Air Theatre in Regent's Park, at the Almeida Theatre, Royal Court Theatre and the National Theatre. For his portrayal of both Victor Frankenstein and his monster in the play "Frankenstein" in 2011, Benedict has received three prestigious awards – the Olivier Award, the Evening Standard Award and the Critics' Circle Theatre Award. Many of his plays gained such acclaim that they were broadcasted on BBC and in cinemas worldwide as a part of National Theatre Live! **The talented actor has signed on for many future theatre projects, one of which is to play Shakespeare's "Hamlet" at London's Barbican Theatre.**



LOVES LABOURS LOST by Shakespeare. The New Shakespeare Company at the Open Air Theatre, Regents Park, London, UK; June 2001.



On the set of War Horse.
From left to right: Tom Hiddleston, Benedict Cumbaerbatch and Steven Spielberg

His breakthrough on the silver screen came in 2004 as **he played Stephen Hawking in the TV movie "Hawking",** which earned him a BAFTA TV award nomination, but he had many small parts before that. Starting from 2001, he had appeared in such projects like the controversial **BBC drama "Tipping the Velvet" in 2002, and opposite Hugh Laurie in a comedy show "Fortysomething".** However, it was a role of an extraordinary consulting detective that really put Cumberbatch's name out there. **In 2010, the greatest detective of all time, "Sherlock"**, was placed in a contemporary setting, which made the adaptation unique and risqué, but it still attracted legions and legions of fans around the globe. The show based the storyline on the original novels as the source, and cast Cumberbatch in the lead and Martin Freeman as Dr. John Watson. The show brought him critical acclaim, his third **BAFTA nomination and a Primetime Emmy Award in the "Outstanding Lead Actor in a Miniseries or a Movie"** category for the third episode of the third series of the show called "His Last Vow". It takes true talent to give such a performance that it becomes a household name and still not get stuck forever in that role. In fact, **the show's success launched the versatile actor into stardom and pushed him onto the big screen** where he continued to play gripping, interesting, highly intelligent and well thought-out characters.

Sherlock Holmes Series
Benedict Cumberbatch as Sherlock Holmes and Martin Freeman as Dr. John Watson

HE GAINED WORLDLY RECOGNITION WITH HIS ROLE OF THE FAMOUS DETECTIVE

In 2011, he played in not one, but two **Oscar-nominated films – Steven Spielbergs's "War Horse" and in "Tinker, Taylor, Soldier, Spy" opposite Gary Oldman.** He dipped his toes in science fiction in **"Star Trek Into Darkness"** in 2013, as well as in dramas **"12 Years a Slave"**, **"The Fifth Estate"** and **"August: Osage County"**. At the moment, we can see him in **"The Imitation Game"** where he portrays yet another controversial genius character, which just might get him the prestigious statue. Cumberbatch **borrowed his voice to a crime fighting wolf in "Penguins of the Madagascar"** animated movie, and is set to do it again to capture the character of the tiger Shere Khan for Warner Bros in the adaptation of **"Jungle Book: Origins"**, alongside Christian Bale and Cate Blanchet. The busy actor is currently shooting in the UK and Columbia as the lead in **"The Lost City of Z"**, where he replaced Brad Pitt. **He also replaced Guy Pearce in "Black Mass"**, where he will star opposite Johnny Depp. At the last Cannes Film Festival, it was announced that Cumberbatch will star in a war film **"The Yellow Birds"**, based on the famous novel. In December 2014, Marvel Studios confirmed that they cast Cumberbatch as Doctor Strange for a film set for a 2016 release.

You see, there's little Benedict Cumberbatch can't do!

10 AMAZING THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT BENEDICT CUMBERBATCH:

1. HE CLAIMS THAT HIS NAME SOUNDS LIKE "A FART IN THE TUB".
2. BACK IN 2005, WHILE FILMING IN SOUTH AFRICA, HE AND HIS CREW WERE KIDNAPPED. THE ACTOR ACTUALLY MANAGED TO PERSUADE THE KIDNAPPERS TO LET THEM GO!
3. BENEDICT'S EYES ARE EACH A DIFFERENT COLOR AS THE RESULT OF "HETEROCHROMIA", A CONDITION THAT CAUSES COLOR VARIATIONS IN EACH EYE.
4. HE POSSESSES A COLLECTION OF STUFFED OWLS IN HIS BEDROOM.
5. THE ACTOR IS A FAN OF EROTIC MANGA.
6. WHILE FILMING "STAR TREK: INTO DARKNESS", HIS CO-STAR AND KNOWN PRANKSTER SIMON PEGG FOOLED HIM INTO BELIEVING THAT HE HAD TO WEAR A "NEUTRON CREAM" *(IT WAS REALLY JUST A MOISTURIZER)* ON HIS FACE TO PROTECT HIMSELF FROM RADIATION.
7. THE GREETINGS CARD THAT HE HAS CREATED FOR CHARITY WAS AUCTIONED FOR £2.6K.
8. HE'S A FAN OF EXTREME SPORTS LIKE SKYDIVING, HOT-AIR BALLOONING, SCUBA DIVING, AND SNOWBOARDING.
9. HE LEARNT HOW TO PLAY THE VIOLIN IN A WEEK.
10. HE RECORDED HIS "STAR TREK" AUDITION VIDEO ON AN IPHONE IN HIS FRIEND'S KITCHEN.

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BLACK SEA

Adventure/Thriller

Director: **Kevin Macdonald**

After being ditched by his wife and his own company, Robinson starts feeling down. When a friend tells him that there is a big boat full of gold lying at the bottom of the Black Sea, Robinson becomes the leader of the team that is determined to get their hands on the gold. Even though they all agreed to share the prize equally, as soon as they go below the surface, dark things begin to unravel. What will prevail: morality or greed? And how far is everybody willing to go for the sake of material wealth?
There are some good things about the movie and some not so good. First, the Scottish accent is simply horrible. Why on earth would someone hire a British actor for a Scottish role? Even if it is Jude Law, this is not acceptable. However,

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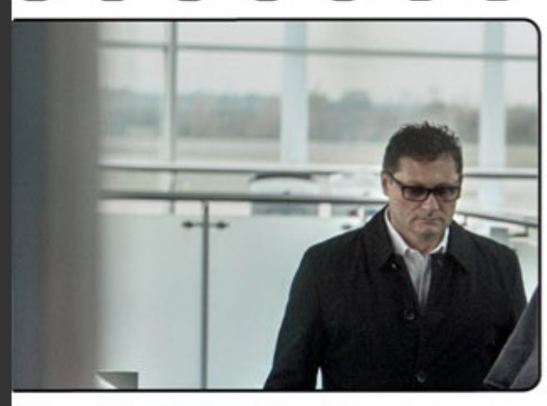


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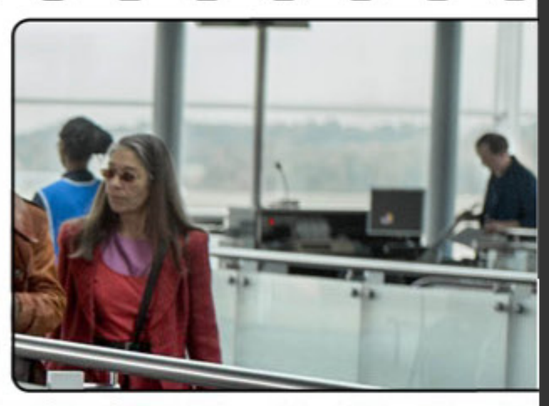
Action/Comedy

Director: **David Koepp**

Charlie Mortdecai is a very attractive art dealer, part time rogue, and a real gentleman. His wife is also very attractive and sophisticated. The couple is well respected by all who know them. They are also on the verge of bankruptcy. In order to secure themselves, they need an excellent plan. So, Charlie and his team must travel around the world in order to find a stolen painting that allegedly contains a code to a hidden bank account that is filled with Nazi gold.
Perhaps this is going to be a decent movie, no matter the fact that Johnny Deep hasn't done anything truly worthwhile lately. So let's hope that this one is going to demonstrate his extraordinariness and quality, without leaving us a bit disappointed in the end.







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Action/Crime/Drama

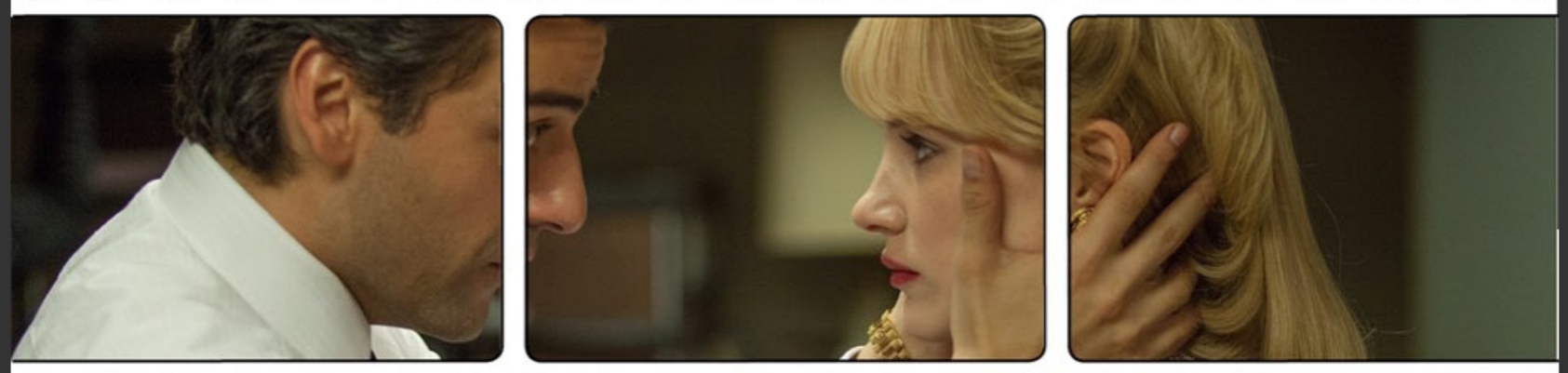
Director: **J.C. Chandor**

During 1981 in New York, an immigrant tries to protect his job and family. The year was considered as one of the most crime-ridden years in history of NYC. Abel Morales, the protagonist, co-owns a heating company, while his wife Anna does the books. Abel is proud of his professionalism and the fact that he doesn't participate in his father-in-law's gangster practices. Anna, on the other hand, is different and has always come up with a backup plan. Something about her character hints that she just might be a real daughter to her father.

The movie is quite different. First of all, it is not as violent as all of us expect. You can consider it as an example of the dark side of the American dream. On the one hand, there

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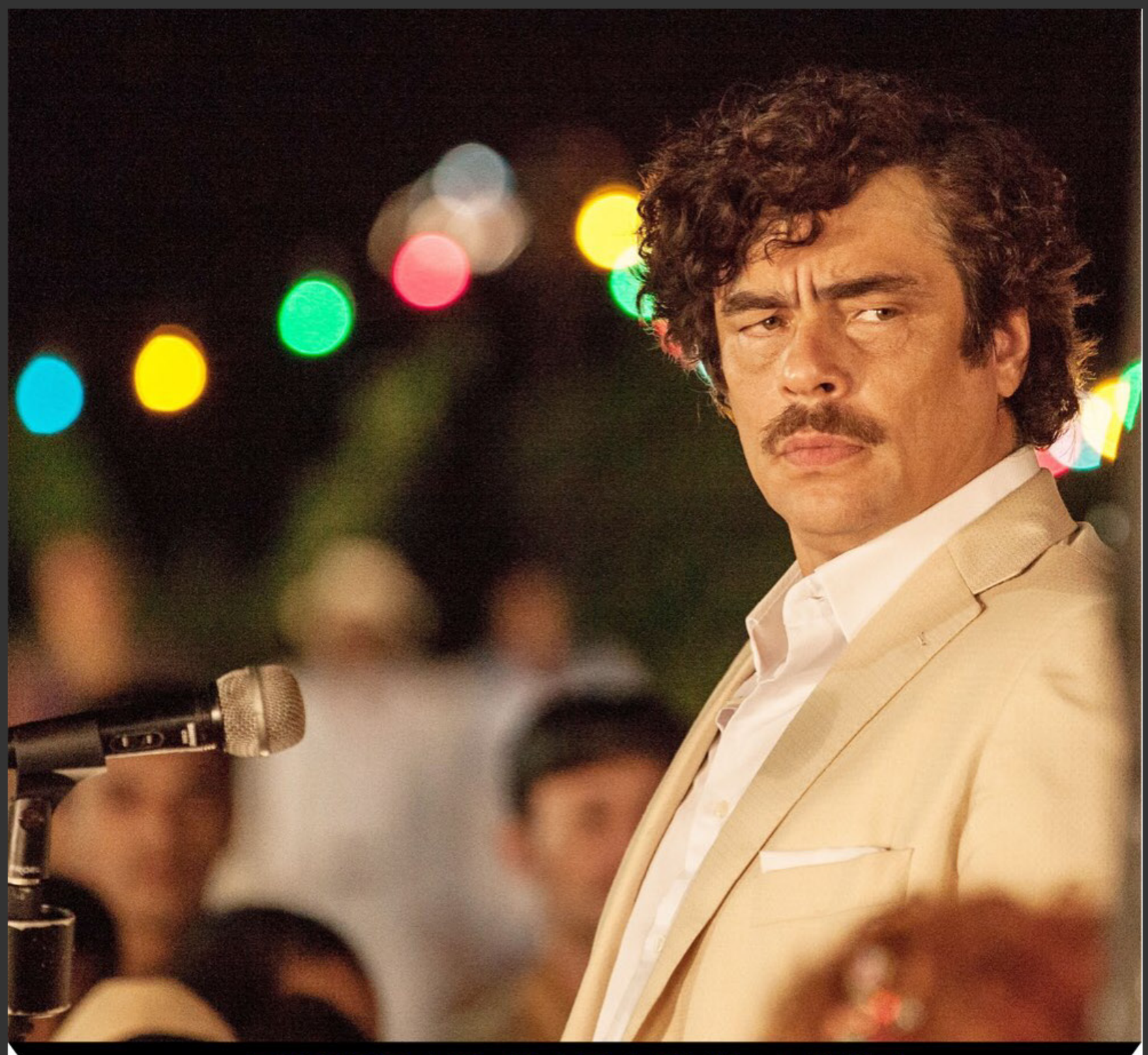


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ESCOBAR: PARADISE LOST

Romance/Thriller

Director: **Andrea Di Stefano**

Nick and his brother are at the countryside, believing they have found their own piece of heaven. That is where he meets the girl of his dreams, Maria. However, she happens to be the niece of the infamous Pablo Escobar. After meeting the uncle, strange things begin to happen and his love towards Maria is put into question: how far is he willing to go in order to be blessed by Escobar. Is he willing to risk anything for love?

Well, this one is a bit tricky. The movie has little focus on Pablo Escobar (it should have had more since the title bears his name), so do not expect Escobar biopic. Moreover, the romantic relationship between Nick and Maria is somehow put aside and all we witness is the conflict between Pablo

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AMERICAN SNIPER

Action/Biography/War

Director: **Clint Eastwood**

Chris Kyle is the most lethal sniper in the USA, and, as the American hero, he is sent to Iraq with a mission – to protect his brothers in arms. There, Kyle saves numerous lives, so stories and legends about him begin to be told everywhere. He even earns the nickname “Legend”. However, Legend becomes notorious on the other side of the battlefield as well and gets classified as the enemy’s prime target. Despite the danger, Kyle personifies SEAL’s motto “Leave no man behind”, but he must also face another kind of war – a family crisis. Combating an enemy on one hand, Kyle must learn how to be a good husband and a father from halfway around the world.

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WHY DO WE LOVE VAMPIRES THAT MUCH?

SHOW US YOUR FANGS

YOU CANNOT DENY THE FACT THAT THEY ARE EVERYWHERE RIGHT NOW: TV SERIES, MOVIES, ACCESSORIES, KITCHEN DRAWERS EVEN. VAMPIRES HAVE BECOME ONE OF THE DOMINANT SYMBOLS OF OUR CULTURE. ONLY, WHAT IS THE UNDERLYING PRINCIPLE AROUND THEM? WHY DO WE LIKE THEM THAT MUCH? WHY DO WE SENSATIONALIZE THEM TO THIS EXTENT?

Confessions OF A MOVIE MANIAC

THINGS MOVIE MAKERS WANT US TO THINK ABOUT

LAS VAMPIRAS
(AKA THE VAMPIRES)
1969 Federico Curiel



The idea of vampirism in movies started a long time ago. Various movies throughout history of **cinema portrayed vampires like monsters, loners, powerful and limitless creatures.** The genre that perfected the phenomenon of vampirism in movies is of course horror or horror flicks. There were many movies (unfortunately, some of them are lost) with various types of vampires, but the most dominant one is **Count Dracula**, a character from Bram Stoker's novel that depicted a notorious Romanian count **Vlad Tepes.**

Probably the first memorable movie about vampires (as there were many before) is Nosferatu (1922), loosely based on Stoker's novel. However, the director had to change certain things due to the copyright issues. The count character was a real monster though: he had pointy ears, long claws/hands, he was bald and had a sinister look in his eyes. Also, wherever he went, rats followed him all the way and he slept in a pretty dirty coffin. **Blood sucking and killing people** were the only interests for him. This is how the prototype of a killer/predator vampire was made. Even though the movie was silent, it was easy to get chills from it, and it was established: vampires would exist predominantly in the genre of horror. **Nevertheless, certain things about vampires do make us sympathize with them.**

PROBABLY THE FIRST MEMORABLE MOVIE ABOUT VAMPIRES (AS THERE WERE MANY BEFORE) IS NOSFERATU (1922), LOOSELY BASED ON STOKER'S NOVEL

First of all, vampires are loners, but they are not lonely. Since the beginning of vampire movies, they have been portrayed as **individuals who live entirely by themselves.** This does not represent a problem for them however, **as vampires are perfectly comfortable with their solitary life.** Perhaps this is one of the reasons we like them. All of us have had some sort of alienation periods, times in our lives when we need to isolate ourselves from everyday life. In a way, we find solidarity with this type of life. Being a loner also requires minimalist lifestyle and vampires are the perfect example for that. **They do not need big, fancy cars, latest gadgets, guns, futuristic outfits, etc.** What they already possess is usually enough for them.

Christopher Lee, "THE HORROR OF DRACULA" 1958



This is not the case with probably the most popular vampire of all time **Bram Stoker's Dracula (1992)**. Here, the representation of blood sucking monster is changed radically, as it was given a romantic side. **Dandy Gary Oldman is Count Dracula, who has lost his wife.** Unable to cope with the loss of the love of his life, he renounces God, stabs the chapel's stone cross and drinks blood that drips from it. In the course of time, he encounters lovely Mina, whom he believes to be the reincarnation of his wife. **Determined to win Mina over, Dracula becomes obsessed with her.** Even though he is filthy rich, the only thing he lacks is love. T**his way, we sympathize with him and share his tragedy.** Dracula becomes an emotional, emphatic character who desperately seeks for his soul mate. His journey is not driven by bloodlust; **Dracula's story is the story about undying love and desire.**

THEY ARE ACTUALLY SUPERHEROES, BUT WITHOUT THE RIDICULOUS, OVER THE TOP GETUPS

What is also very prominent about vampires is their sense of style. **They usually wear basic colors and outfits that never go out of fashion.** You will not find an overly dressed vampire or an underdressed one. They also tend to **refuse seasonal clothing**, so you will most certainly not find a vampire in a Hawaiian shirt or a turtleneck sweater. Vampires are very smart as well, with all sorts of powers that make their "lives" easier: **telekinesis, telepathy, mindreading and mesmerizing**. All these can be considered as supercognitive powers we all secretly desire to possess. They are actually superheroes, but without the ridiculous, over the top getups. Furthermore, **vampires are extremely strong and powerful,** and do not need bulging muscles or seminude gym selfies to show it.

Bloodsuckers became superheroes in case of **Blade (1998, 2002, 2004) and Underworld (2003, 2006, 2009, 2012).** Blade follows a story of a half-man, half-vampire who protects the humans, killing evil vampires along the way. Though Blade is hunky and can pretty much kick ass even without the help of his supernatural abilities, his physical power only serves to show how powerful he actually is. He does not drink human blood, even though he is tempted, and **his only goal is to save the human race.**

Bela Lugosi as Dracula (1931)

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In **Underworld,** Selene is a beautiful vampire involved in an ongoing war with werewolves, but the story actually centers around her falling in love with an enemy. With movies like these, **vampires are given more human characteristics and beliefs,** making them the enhanced, improved specimens of humankind and the saviors of the world.

As far as fangs are concerned, **they represent something peculiar.** Firstly, they are not usually seen (unless a vampire decides to suck blood), so it makes them something hidden. And we all know how much we like hidden things. Furthermore, fangs are teeth found on animals – so, in a way, **vampires are a representation of our animalistic (usually sexual) needs.** Whereas the society likes to set boundaries on individualism, vampires seem to contradict them. They do not mind the social disapproval they constantly get. In fact, they are perfectly OK with that.

Take HBO TV series **True Blood (2008-2014)** for example. Besides dealing with the supernatural, **the series is also concerned with prejudice, race, and sexual identity.** With the slogan "God hates Fangs", True Blood concentrates on minorities in society, using vampires as outcasts. They are hidden and consider themselves endangered by humans, though **they believe the two races can coexist peacefully.** Some of the specimens from both races are tragically attracted to each other, raising the big question: can the two be reconciled? Will vampires remain monsters or will they be given a chance in humanity?

What vampires do not possess is fear: they do not have any fear or phobia typically associated with humans: fear of death, heights, snakes, pain or whatever. In a way, this makes them either humanoids (robotic creatures that resemble humans) or human species that has been radically enhanced. **They can survive any natural disaster,** are basically death proof (excluding the sun and stakes) and tend to emit raw sexual energy.

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The theme of **vampirism has been developed** to a great extent, so now we have: **lesbian vampires** *(The Vampire Lovers 1970)*, **rock star monsters** *(The Hunger 1983)*, **homoerotic bromance vampires** *(Interview with the Vampire*: the Vampire Chronicles 1994), **comedic vampires** *(Dracula: Dead and Loving it 1995, the Fearless Vampire Killers 1967, Once Bitten 1985)*, **teenage forbidden love story vampires** *(Twilight 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012)*, **child vampires** *(Let the Right One in 2008)*, and many more. **Why did vampires stay so long in the movie industry when everything has already been said and done?** The key concept of vampirism lies in imagination and creativity; basic elements from the folklore stay the same, but peculiarities change with trends. **As long as they stay sensual, emotional, alluring, sexually liberated and socially unconstrained, vampires (whether male or female) will remain one of the sexiest monsters of all time.**

TATTOOED GODDESS

Bonnie Rotten



WE KNOW THAT YOU HAVE HEARD OF HER. AND HOW COULD YOU NOT? **BONNIE ROTTEN RECEIVED A PORN OSCAR** (AVN FEMALE PERFORMER OF THE YEAR 2014). SHE IS EVERYWHERE RIGHT NOW, BUT YOU PROBABLY KNOW HER FROM HER MOVIES **“CAPE FEAR XXX”, “TATTOOED GODDESSES”, “OBEDIENCE SCHOOL” OR “INK STAINED”.** OR SOME OTHER MOVIE

WHETHER YOU LIKE KINKY CHICKS OR NOT, YOU CAN'T DENY THE FACT THAT BONNIE ROTTEN IS ONE HELL OF A SLUT THAT COMES DIRECTLY FROM YOUR WILDEST, FETISH DRIVEN DREAMS

Many in the industry call her **The S&M Princess.** She is delighted when wearing leather outfits, or those made of latex or vinyl. Yes, you read it right: Bonnie is extremely turned on by BDSM scenes and you will find many movies where she is one of the "humiliated" ones. But there is nothing humiliating about it: she is comfortable in her own skin and enjoys taking **a good ride on a "disco stick".** Also, you can find various scenes with **girl on girl action** (or **anal action** for that matter), that only prove her diversity and adjustment to the commands of all of us pervs.

Bonnie also adores tattoos. By now, she has done thirty of them, and maybe she is getting another one or two as we speak. Well composed tattoos only contribute to her Child of the Night personality. Some of our favorites are a pinup zombie on the back of her right leg, "Dead Girls Don't Cry" quote on her stomach, and of course, spider webs that cover both of her boobs. This is, btw, a great way to fight arachnophobia, if you suffer from it.

Bonnie Rotten is of Italian descent. She worked as a fetish model and as an exotic dancer. Her trademark back then was performing in an American Flag bikini with southern rock as the background music. Well, she is American after all (from Cincinnati, Ohio to be precise). **She was introduced to hardcore porn in 2012,** even tried directing a few movies, but there is no sign that she will leave our screens as a porn actress.

Rotten was nominated many times for her effort in the adult movies and in 2014 **she won two of the most prestigious awards:** one AVN for best Female Performer of the Year, and the other is XRCO Award Superslut 2014. Whether you like kinky chicks or not, you can't deny the fact that Bonnie Rotten is one hell of a slut that comes directly from your wildest, fetish driven dreams. At the moment, her pornstar ranking is going up and up. And so do some parts of us when we see her.

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NEW DAY
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SortedFood


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PewDiePie

SUBSCRIBERS: 32,865,836
VIEWS: 7,099,621,655
JOINED YOUTUBE: 2010

This 25-year-old Swede is the **OWNER OF THE MOST POPULAR CHANNEL ON YOUTUBE.** With over 32 million subscribers, *Felix Kjellberg* is the best paid, fastest growing and most viewed youtuber ever. His area of expertise is games, which he plays and comments on – doesn't sound like anything you would spend your time on? Well, just try watching one of his vlogs, and he'll prove you wrong. His 7.1 billion views point to the fact that his audience is wide. Boys look up to him, girls adore him, and the adults secretly add to his view counts. **IF YOU STILL DON'T KNOW WHO PEW IS, YOU HAVE PROBABLY MISSED A COUPLE OF EPISODES OF SOUTH PARK.**

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SUBSCRIBERS: 19,385,995
VIEWS: 3,894,678,361
JOINED YOUTUBE: 2005

Ian Hecox and *Anthony Padilla* are the amazing duo behind Smosh, the third most popular channel on YouTube. At the age of only 27, these two are **AMONG THE MOST INFLUENTIAL COMEDIANS IN THE WORLD.** Every week they surprise their viewers with new video parodies on their main channel, and some more hilarious vids on **THEIR ADDITIONAL CHANNELS,** which together have around 10 million more subscribers. We said big business, right?

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SUBSCRIBERS: 10,827,453
VIEWS: 2,795,772,379
JOINED YOUTUBE: 2008

As a youtuber, producer and actor (and the former host to his own mini show Equals Three), *Ray William Johnson* is a complete genius. With the new host, *Robby Motz,* the **WEB SERIES STILL COMMENTS ON FUNNY VIRAL VIDEOS IN A HILARIOUS AND TO AN EXTENT RIDICULOUS WAY,** which makes you want to click on the next video, and then the next, and the next.

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And our Yummiest Channel Award goes to *Jamie Spafford, Ben Ebbrell, Barry Taylor and Mike Huttlestone,* the comical little gang behind an extraordinary cooking channel. **THESE BRITISH LADS BRING TWO EASY AND CHEAP RECIPES TO THE TABLE TWICE A WEEK.** Their food is healthy, their channel amusing, their website very practical and their cookbooks well... Sorted!

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MANIC **TOP 5 PICK** OF THE BEST **YOUTUBE** CHANNELS RUN BY MEN

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John and Hank Green's vlogging channel, as they say, **IS NOT 'ABOUT ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR'.** The VlogBrothers' station is where numerous awesome projects were born, like the Project for Awesome itself, a charitable movement that **CALLS THE YOUTUBE COMMUNITY TO RAISE AWARENESS AND GIVE DONATIONS FOR VARIOUS CAUSES.** One of their projects is also the famous VidCon, the multi-genre online video convention, which brings hundreds of youtubers to Southern Cali every year. After all, you have probably heard of the famous book The Fault in Our Stars, written by John Green, as well as of the 2014 movie of the same name…



MEGHAN TRAINOR

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ARCHIVE

"Restriction"

Archive guys are from London, but they are currently in Paris. They are a major hit in Europe and on their way to take over the world. Having in mind the...

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MARILYN MANSON

"The Pale Emperor"

The year 2015 already looks great. It is official: Antichrist Superstar is back! After more than two years, Mr. Marilyn Manson has finally ...

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MEGHAN TRAINOR

"Title"

Perhaps this type of music is not appropriate for a man's magazine, but we can't deny the planetary popularity of Meghan Trainor. And we appreciate the new trend of celebrating all sizes of women as they are the most beautiful creatures in the world. Her single "All about That Bass" is a huge success. This catchy, jazzy pop song has over 300 million views and you can easily hear it on the radio, TV, clubs, anywhere. Even if you are not a fan of American pop/jazz/soul, you should at least give it a try, as a sign of approval for all the things Meghan sings about. Her new album titled simply yet elegantly, "Title", will be released on January 13, 2015. And we can hardly wait. Yeah, we know Meghan you ain't a size two, but we are more than fine that you can shake it, shake it to the rhythm like you're supposed to do.



BELLE AND SEBASTIAN

"Girls in Peacetime Want to Dance"

Brit/synth pop never gets boring and we have a proof: the new Belle and Sebastian album. This ensemble from Glasgow, Scotland, will release...

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FALL OUT BOY

"American beauty American Psycho"

Great! Just what the world needed. Another boy band. Although FOB started out as a more of a teenage rock/rebel boy kind of a band...

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Meghan Trainor

"All about that Bass" topped the US charts for eight consecutive weeks, making this cutie worldwide famous.

MEN'S CODE

Singapore

THE LION CITY

DEATH BEFORE DECAF!
Coffee Drinkers Rule!

DIVIDE AND CONQUER
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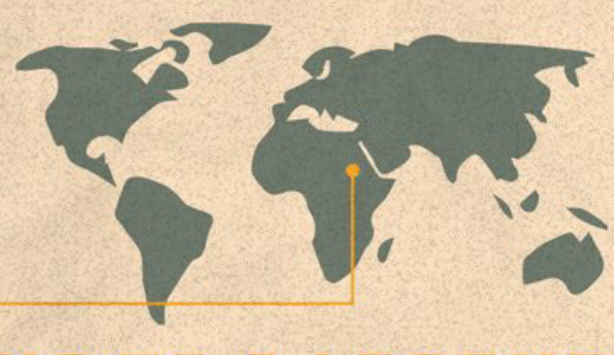


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CAFFEINE

(coffee's main component) is actually a crystal responsible for the happy buzz you have when you drink a cup of coffee :) :) :) :) :)





ACCORDING TO A LEGEND

Coffee was discovered in **Ancient Ethiopia.** A farmer observed his goat's "merry dancing" when it ate coffee berries.



COFFEE

is good for liver, especially if you drink alcohol. It fights diseases such as cirrhosis.

COFFEE CONTAINS VITAMIN B2, B5, Manganese, Potassium, Niacin, and Magnesium



COFFEE CAN MAKE YOU LIVE LONGER

It has a lot of antioxidants, **helps in** fighting against various diseases, such as **Parkinson's Disease, heart attacks, dementia, depression, etc.**

"THE COFFEE BELT" is the area around the world where coffee is typically grown. This area has all the **perfect conditions for coffee growing**, i.e. the tropical parts of the world.

11%

It actually helps you burn fat since it **increases metabolic functions up to**

THEODORE ROOSEVELT drank a gallon of coffee per day



Coffee is actually a type of fruit that **grows on bush trees as red berries.** Later these berries turn into beans

10 MINUTES the time needed for caffeine **to kick in** from the moment you start sipping a cup of coffee

65%

Coffee drinkers are **less likely to suffer from Alzheimer's**



THE MOST EXPENSIVE

Coffee in the world is made out of poop: Black Ivory Coffee **(elephant's poop)** costs $50 per pound. Civet/Luwak Coffee **(Sumatran wild cat's poop)** costs $160-$600 per pound.

2ND

POPULAR BEVERAGE

in the world is Coffee. The first is, of course, water.

gahhwat al-bun

(Coffee in Arabic) Means **wine of the bean.**

SMELLING :)

Coffee can make you feel **happier and less stressed.**

COFFEE CONSUMPTION HAS BEEN CONNECTED TO LOWER RATES OF SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

In the 1600s, **a French doctor suggested Café Du Laits to his patients,** inspiring a lot of people to put milk in their **coffee.**

VOLTAIRE

is said to have drank **50 cups of coffee per day.**

BACH

wrote an opera about a woman who was obsessed with drinking **coffee.**

There is a way of **brewing coffee with marijuana** that makes your coffee drinking a **"dreamy" experience.**

NO MATTER HOW MUCH PEOPLE TRY TO PERSUADE YOU, CAFFEINE CANNOT SOBER YOU UP

IRISH COFFEE

was invented as a means of warming up American plane passengers that flew from Ireland to the USA





THERE IS

a famous spa in Japan where people can bathe in coffee.

7

People in New York drink coffee

TIMES MORE

than in the rest of the world. **No wonder the city never sleeps.**



Coffee can replace fossil fuel. In fact, **a car was invented in 2011 that ran on coffee.**

COFFEE

increases adrenaline levels and **releases fatty acids** stored in fat tissues.

100 CUPS of **coffee** would take **to kill a person.**

ISLAM

once **prohibited coffee** intake **because of its unusual stimulating effects.**

BRAZIL

is the **world's biggest producer of coffee,** followed by **Vietnam** and **Columbia.**

THE FIRST

webcam was actually invented because of coffee. The students at the University of Cambridge made it **to monitor how much coffee was left in the coffee pot.**

Coffee was eaten at first. African tribes **mixed coffee berries with fat**, which created "energy" bombs.

Energy Bomb

2X ARABICA = ROBUSTA

Most coffees are a **mixture of Arabica and Robusta beans**. Arabica is most commonly used, but **Robusta has twice as much caffeine as Arabica.**



THE TERM CAPPUCCINO

comes from the resemblance of the mentioned drink with the **color of the clothing of Capuchin monks and priests.**

KING CHARLES II

banned coffee shops as he believed that in **these places people gathered to conspire against him.**



IN 1906

A Belgian man, called **George Washington,** invented instant **coffee**

BORN TO BE WILD

Bettina Sheffield

“

I am a very determined and goal-oriented woman. If I want something I always manage to get it



“All I want from life is a perfect match with a fat...wallet


“
The ideal man should wear a sharp suit even when he works out. And yes, a Maserati is always a plus







A Taste of Luxury

Capella Singapore

LOOK NO FURTHER IF YOU INTEND TO GO ON A LUXURIOUS JOURNEY. **CAPELLA SINGAPORE** IS HERE: **SENTOSA ISLAND**'S TEMPLE THAT IS THE MIXTURE OF SOPHISTICATION, TRADITION AND UP-TO-DATE ARCHITECTURE. CAPELLA **MAKES YOUR STAY LOOK LIKE A TROPICAL PARADISE** EVEN THOUGH IT IS LOCATED IN ONE OF THE BUSIEST CITIES IN SOUTH ASIA.









If you want your stay in Singapore to be as luxurious as possible, than the best choice for you is Hotel Capella on Sentosa Island. A private driveway zigzags up to Capella resort and spa – a place where tradition and modernism go hand in hand. Smoothly rounded, contemporary buildings perfectly blend with the colonial ones, as well as with the surrounding abundant and vigorous rainforest. Tanah Merah, or “red earth” in Malay, is the name of two historic bungalows, where the hotel staff bids warm welcome to every guest.

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THE RESORT IS VERY IDYLLIC, TROPICAL ESCAPE FROM THE BUSY LIFE BUT STILL REMAINS VERY ACCESSIBLE

In this magnificent architectural mixture of old and new, contemporary and classic, and the South China Sea right in the backyard, dreams really do come true.







Choose Your Poison

It's Time to Drink

Try to be as honest as possible when answering these questions. The results might surprise you when you realize that your favorite drink was just in front of you all along!

Look no further, as our team has created a simple guide that will most certainly guess your favorite "poison". Bottoms up!

Q 1. Do you like alcohol?

- Unquestionably
- No way



Espresso

Q 2. What turns you on more?

- Sun
- Prehistoric sightseeing
- Fashion

Q 3. Do you enjoy beach parties?

- Without fail
- Nix



Rum

Q 4. You prefer your drink:

- On the rocks
- Straight



Whiskey

Q 5. How long does it take you to order a drink at a bar?

- A couple of minutes
- A while



Cognac

Q 6. Transparent or colored liquor?

- Whatever
- Transparent
- Colored



Gin

Q 8. Be honest: On how many facebook/instagram photos are you drunk?

- Many
- What is facebook/instagram?



Beer

Q 7. Choose your destination:

- Ireland
- Czech Republic

Q 10. What expression sounds more pleasing to you?

- Здравствуйте
- ¡Ay, caramba!



Vodka



Tequila

Q 9. What do you do in the mornings after a night out?

- Sleep all day
- Take a shower and go out



Wine



Absinth

CONTEMPORARY CUISINE

IT'S NOT ABOUT FOOD *Anymore*



Has cooling become Art?

by: Sebastian T.

DO CELEBRITY CHEFS RUN KITCHENS OR TV SHOWS? WHY HAVE WE BECOME SO OBSESSED WITH CULINARY SHOWS - IS IT JUST A QUICK "FEEL GOOD FIX" OR IS THERE SOMETHING DEEPER BEHIND IT?

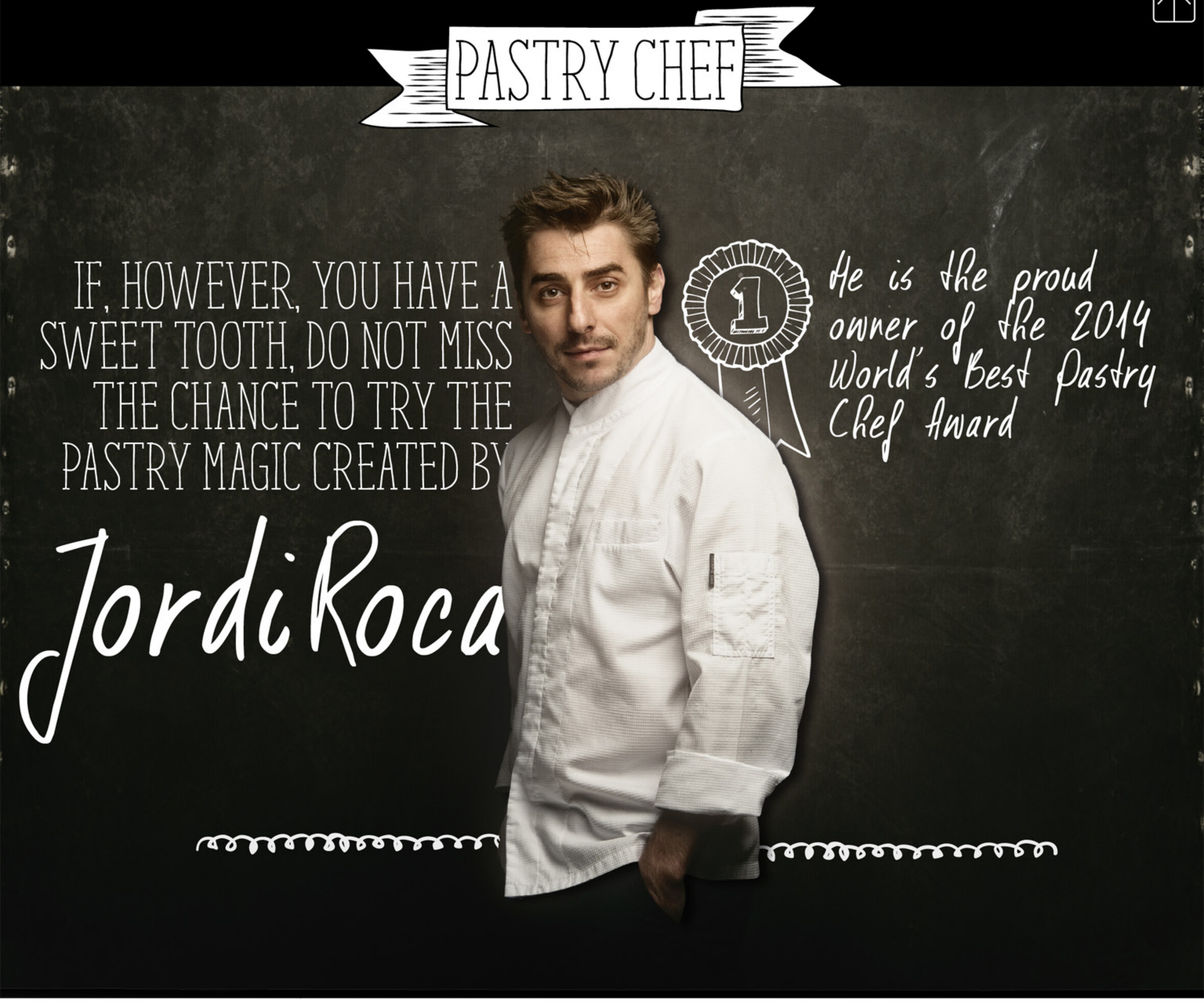
World-renowned scientists, analysts, sociologists and thinkers noticed a certain pattern of behavior that the Roman, the Ottoman and the Spanish empire had shared. The trouble is, all the signs of the demise of these great empires are beginning to develop now. In Roman times, the people were constantly distracted by the gladiatorial events; today, a huge emphasis is placed on all sorts of television programs to distract the public from the financial and economic troubles that are actually going on. That is the common trait of declining empires. And there is a profession that is disproportionately honored as an empire declines: **the Romans, the Ottomans and the Spanish all made celebrities of their chefs, just like we do today.**

Whether this is true or not, only time will tell, but no one can deny that our relationship with food in all its aspects has changed significantly over the last decades. Eating and food is the oldest aspect of human culture. If food was the first sculpture ever made, why should it be so strange to perceive food preparation as art? **Our contemporary world started paying more attention to presentation rather than the taste.** In the early 1960s, an artist named Daniel Spoerri opened a restaurant in Dusseldorf as an artwork; a guest chef there served grilled herring bones; Spoerri used to interrupt his diners mid-meal to

make them leave the table only to glue it down and hang it on the wall as a sort of tableau. **The 90s began the era of reality shows, while the 00s gave us celebrity chefs** (Gordon Ramsey alone has a dozen cooking shows). The culinary world has progressed so much that if someone from, say, twenty years ago came to visit us, he wouldn't believe his eyes. Isn't it odd that we buy professional cameras to take pictures of our meals and then send it out for the whole world to see? And who can keep up with all those new cooking techniques...

Modern cuisine or "molecular gastronomy" comprises a variety of techniques that are supposed to improve a meal and enhance the taste of food. For instance, now you can eat pasta made entirely out of meat if you expose meat to an enzyme called Transglutaminase (or "meat glue") that turns meat into mush so you can shape it in whichever way you like. Craving hot ice cream? No problem, just add methylcellulose to your standard recipe, dip it in hot water and watch it melt as it cools down. Modern menus now include powders that substitute regular food portions, like bacon powder or caramel powder.



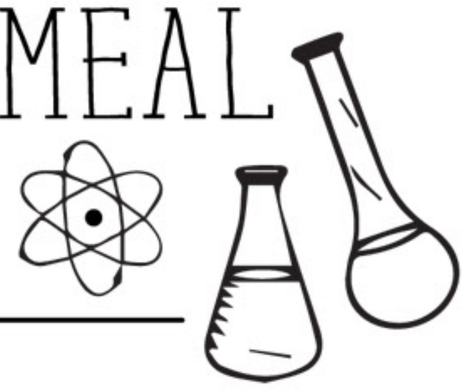


Modern restaurants offer an improved dining experience that is supposed to stimulate our other senses – apparently. powdered baby eels and pickled onion juice foam taste all that better when you eat them in pitch dark, listening to the sounds of the ocean. Off course, the waiting list for getting a table in such restaurants is usually around two years. Is it worth the wait?

Should you decide to be a part of the revolution that is molecular gastronomy, make sure that you go to the crème de la crème. One of the world's best chefs of today is certainly **Ferran Adrià.** Most famous for thinking outside of the box – or better yet – beyond the table, he revolutionized the culinary world. Chef Adrià has spent 25 years of his career creating a unique gastronomic universe with its own culinary language.

From his small restaurant on **the Catalan coast called "elBulli" (it had 3 Michelin stars, ranked the best restaurant in the world in 2008**) came such phenomena as the controversial use of foams that led to the invention of a special syphon, now found in professional kitchens throughout the world; not to forget spherification – a process of shaping liquid food into spheres that explode in the mouth; and **his latest concept, the "recreation of foods",** where Ferran with his team deconstructs ingredients to then rebuild them with surprising results by means of combining textures, temperature and different cooking techniques. All thanks to this Spanish chef in continual evolution, these new concepts and processes came to be a turning point in the Western haute cuisine.

MODERN CUISINE OR "MOLECULAR GASTRONOMY" COMPRISES A VARIETY OF TECHNIQUES THAT ARE SUPPOSED TO IMPROVE A MEAL AND ENHANCE THE TASTE OF FOOD



Another very influential chef certainly is **Heston Marc Blumenthal**, owner of the three Michelin stars' restaurant in the UK. **He invented the mainstream recipes such as "triple-cooked chips" and "soft-centered Scotch eggs",** all the while pioneering in multisensory cooking, foodpairing and flavor encapsulation. **One of his signature cooking techniques is the "sous-vide"**, where food is sealed in vacuum in a special bag, after which it is cooked in a water bath at a relatively low temperature for long periods of time: for example, a rack of lamb is cooked at 60 degrees Celsius for an hour before being seared at a high heat, and pork belly is cooked at the same temperature for 18 hours. The celebrity chef claims that this way of preparing meat is the best flavorwise, as it retains all of its juices although it's cooked. **Also, he experiments with foodpairing** (**combining ingredients on the molecular level**) for his signature white chocolate with caviar, **and amplification to enhance the sounds of crunching created while eating various foods**. If, however, you have a sweet tooth, do not miss the chance to try the pastry magic created by **Jordi Roca**. He is the proud owner of the 2014 World's Best Pastry Chef Award.

FOODPAIRING IS COMBINING INGREDIENTS ON THE MOLECULAR LEVEL

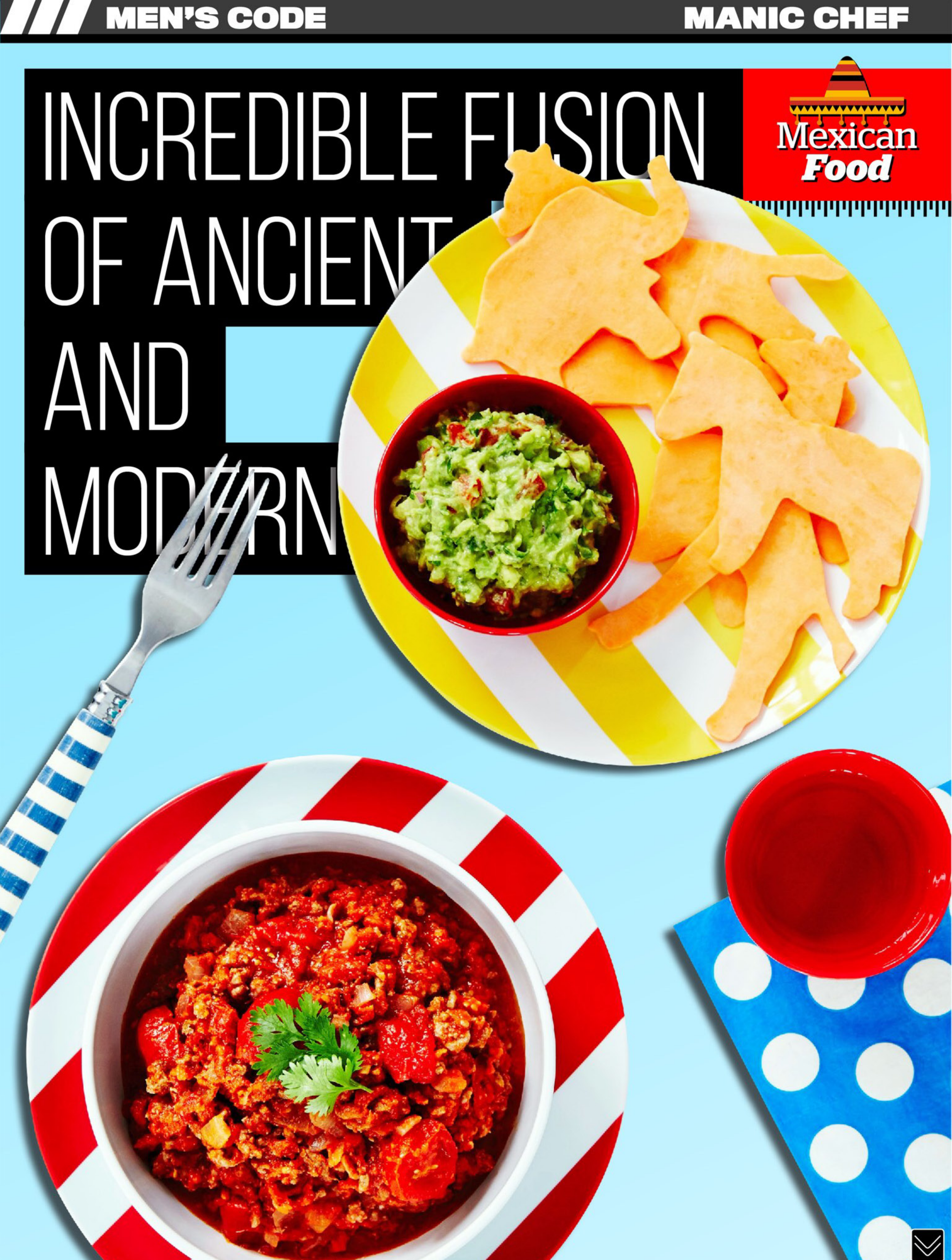




Roca experimented with perfumes to recreate famous fragrances in edible form! **Campari and grapefruit juice sealed into a cocoa butter-covered bonbon that explodes on contact with the mouth is one of his signature dishes.** A caramel apple made by blowing a mixture of sugars (the same way glass is made) is another.
It is no wonder then that we, chefs of our own kitchens, seem somehow unworthy somehow when we cannot hold a ladle to the best of them. Nevertheless, even the most ingenuous culinary names know that technique should always take a back seat to pleasure. Should you need a quick feel-good recipe, watch a movie about cooking! **It's a proven fact that seeing others make and eat food immediately increases the level of "happiness" hormones in our body.** Some of the delicious titles that are a sure guarantee to give you a quick-fix are **Ratatouille (2007), Tampopo (1985), Chef (2014), A Hundred Foot Journey (2014) and Woman on Top (2000).** So what if a simple mac and cheese does it for you, go and make some right now. Pretend you are some pompous celebrity chef taping a new episode of his reality show. Just don't forget to put on your "Kiss the Cook" apron!

INCREDIBLE FUSION OF ANCIENT AND MODERN

Mexican Food



BASICS: OLD AND NEW



Some of the most prominent ingredients used in Mexican kitchen are those that originate from the Aztec people. In the time of Aztecs, food of animal origin included dog meat, turkey, rabbit, deer, duck and other birds, though these were actually seldom consumed. Seafood was consumed more often, especially in the coastal regions (some of it is still used, e.g. acocil), as well as bugs (maguey), etc. Most of these meats have been replaced after the conquest by the meats that the Europeans brought.



Corn, chili, beans, avocado, squash, and tomatoes are some of the Aztec foods that stuck in the traditional cuisine to this day.

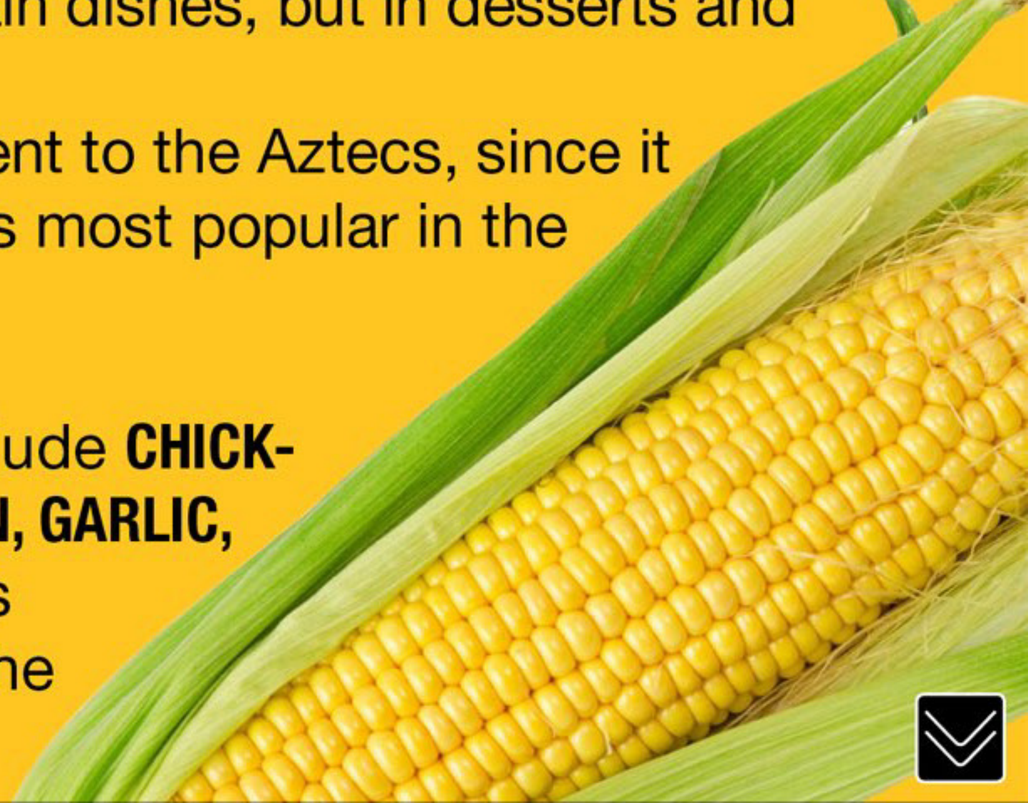
Despite the fact that Europeans introduced wheat, **CORN** is still the number one starch used in Mexican cuisine. Most commonly, it is found in the form of a tortilla, which is eaten throughout the country alongside almost every meal.

Next to the crispy corn tortilla, **CHILI PEPPER** is perhaps the most recognizable ingredient and a trademark of Mexican cuisine. It is used, not only as part of main dishes, but in desserts and fruit salads as well.

AVOCADO was a very important ingredient to the Aztecs, since it was their main source of fat. Today it is most popular in the form of a dish called guacamole.



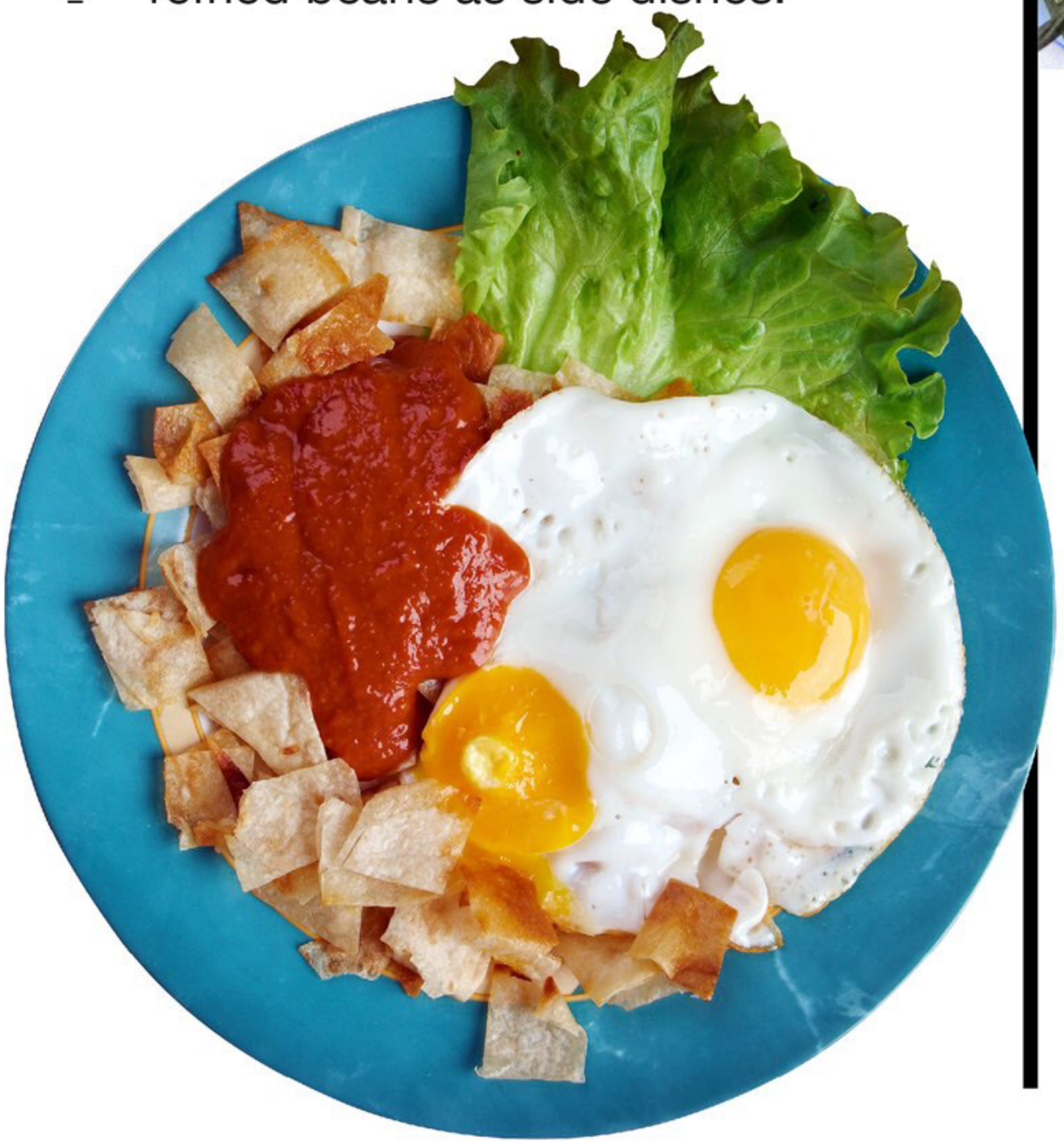
European additions to the cuisine include **CHICKEN, BEEF, MUTTON, LAMB AND PORK; ONION, GARLIC, RICE, AND INDIAN SPICES.** Dairy products were also completely unknown until the Spanish conquest.



MANIC CHOICE OF THE MEXICAN BEST

1 Chilaquiles

The basis of this traditional Mexican dish are tortillas cut into quarters and lightly fired (called tostadas). They are then topped with salsa or mole, which are traditional Mexican sauces. These Mexican sauces are very popular in Mexican cuisine, so the fact that they come in a great variety of different types is not surprising. The dish is often topped with fried eggs or pulled chicken and served along with guacamole or refried beans as side dishes.





2 Chilies en nogada

This national dish is made of chili peppers that are filled with picadillo, which is a mixture of ground meat, vegetables, fruits and spices (the ingredients vary according to the region where it is prepared), with a walnut sauce poured over and topped with pomegranate seeds. When the chili pepper is green, together with the white sauce and red pomegranate seed, the dish represents the three colors of the Mexican flag, making it a true national dish modern Mexico prides on.



3 Tacos

A taco is essentially a dish made from corn tortilla wrapped around a filling. The fillings are greatly versatile, including many different types of meat, seafood, vegetables and cheese, with the addition of different sauces and garnishes (salsa, tomato, avocado, guacamole, lettuce, onions, etc.). Tacos de asador, tacos al pastor, tacos arabes, tacos sudados and tacos camarones, are just a few kinds of this popular national dish of Mexico.

4 Guacamole

This avocado-based meal dates back to the time of Aztecs. The salted mashed avocado, optionally with the addition of lime juice, coriander, garlic, chili peppers, tomato and onions, is served as a condiment, dip or salad.





5 Cheviche

This is a dish popular in the coastal areas of Mexico. It is a seafood dish, mostly made of raw fish marinated in citrus juices and spiced with chilies, salt and pepper. Usually, it is served with onions, potatoes, lettuce, corn or avocado as side dishes.

6 Birria

A spicy stew often served for holidays such as Christmas, New Year's Eve, weddings, baptisms and such, is known in Mexico as birria. It is traditionally made form mutton, but beef or pork may also be used. The basis for the stew, however, is made of roasted dried chili peppers. It is served with corn tortillas, sometimes with onions and lime too.



7 Pozole

Another very old, pre-Columbian dish. In the times of old, it was consumed only on special occasions, as a part of a sacrifice ritual. This corn stew with meat, lavishly seasoned with various herbs and spices, today uses pork, beef, turkey or chicken, with the inevitable chili peppers. Some researchers have shown, however, that in the ancient times, on these special occasions, the meat in pozole was human.





8 Tamales

These are made of corn-based dough wrapped in banana leaves (the leaf is discarded before eating) and then boiled or steamed. The dough can be filled before steaming or the filling can be added after. Usually, the filling includes meat, vegetables, chilies, fruits etc. This dish can be traced back to the times of Ancient civilizations.



CHOCOLATE, THE GIFT OF GODS

If you didn't know whom to praise for the comfort chocolate gives to your prettier halves, the fury it settles and hormonal cravings it satisfies, for the perfect gift it makes in any occasion, and the sweet pleasure it gives to you too once in a while… now you know, praise Mexico!

The aboriginal peoples of Mesoamerica have known about these magical powers of chocolate, whose value was so great that they even used cocoa beans as currency. Maya and Aztecs used it as an aphrodisiac and it was a part of their religious rituals and ceremonies, too. Aztecs believed that the cocoa seed was a gift from Quetzalcoatl, the god of wisdom. As these cultures had no knowledge of sugar, in those days, chocolate was a bitter drink mixed with wine, cinnamon, chili pepper, vanilla, etc.

When it reached Europe, sugar was added to it to reduce its natural bitterness and the beverage became widely popular, first among the aristocracy and then among the commoners, too. Today, chocolate can be found in innumerable shapes and combos. White, dark or milk chocolate, with almonds,

hazelnuts, dried fruit, or creamy fillings; chocolate bars, chocolate candies, chocolate cakes; hot chocolate for winter, chocolate ice cream for summer; chocolate toppings for both main dishes and desserts. The combinations are infinite!

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Chocolate has not lost popularity in Mexico since the ancient times. However, it evolved greatly. Today, Mexican chocolate still retains some of the qualities of its ancient predecessor, however, with the addition of sugar. The dark, bitter chocolate, spiced with cinnamon, is spiced with coarse sugar, and sometimes nuts. This results in the grainy structure of Mexican chocolate. Since the 1500s, Spanish stored chocolate in the shape of small discs, and Mexican chocolate can still be found in this form. In contemporary Mexico, this type of chocolate is used as a basis for traditional hot chocolate drink, seasoned with cinnamon, vanilla extract and cayenne pepper. Besides this, it is used in cold chocolate drink preparation and as one of the basic ingredients of mole poblano, the most popular variety of mole sauce in Mexico.

MEXICAN HOT CHOCOLATE

INGREDIENTS:

6 (12-ounce) cans evaporated milk
4 teaspoons ground cinnamon
1 tablespoon vanilla extract
1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 Pinch cayenne pepper
2 (12-ounce) bags semisweet chocolate chips

Cocoa powder, for serving

DIRECTIONS:

For stovetop: In a large pot over medium heat, whisk together milk, cinnamon, vanilla extract, nutmeg and pepper. Add chocolate chips. Stir until chocolate is melted. Cover and turn heat to low for 5 minutes.

For slow cooker: In a 4-quart slow cooker, whisk together milk, cinnamon, vanilla extract, nutmeg and pepper. Add chocolate chips. Cover and cook on LOW setting for 2 to 3 hours, stirring every 15 to 20 minutes.

Serve with a dusting of cocoa powder.



TACOS AL PASTOR



TOPPINGS:

Fresh coriander leaves, crumbled queso fresco cheese, chopped onions, chopped radishes.

INGREDIENTS:

1 pound pork tenderloin, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
3/4 tsp salt
1 tbsp ground cumin
1/4 cup chopped fresh coriander leaves
1 tsp dried oregano
1 tsp pepper
1 tbsp chili powder
1 tsp chopped garlic
1 chopped onion
1 can pineapple bits in juice, drained
1 tbsp canola oil
6 (8-inch) soft corn tortillas, heated

PREPARATION:

1. **Add** pork cubes, salt, cumin, coriander leaves, oregano, chili powder, pepper, garlic and onions in a bowl and **mix well.** Cover and **leave in the fridge for 4-24 hours.**

2. **Cook the mixture** in hot oil on medium heat until the meat is done (for about 10 minutes).

3. Heat the tortillas, fill them with the mixture and the topping of your choice. **Serve hot.**

Straight from Eden

Aída Yéspica

Manic Girl of the Year is, of course, Aída Yéspica. The girl is simply the definition of perfection. Even though her height is pretty average for a model, it is her beauty that made her stand out from the crowd during a 2002 beauty pageant she participated in. A year later, she moved to Milan and instantly became insanely popular, appearing almost everywhere – she graced the covers of GQ and Maxim. Aída has dated Philip Plein, Mesut Özil, and several influential businessmen. Even notorious Berlusconi couldn't resist her, saying "With you, I'd go anywhere". We would go even further than that, Mr. Berlusconi.

I just live
my life and
try not to
let stupid
things get in
my head

I really enjoy being a part of music videos. I appeared in several of them



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I am very family
oriented and I like
to eat good food



I like to party, especially in Miami with my friends



by: Lola Sullivan

What stand before you are not justpieces of folding wood, they are not just simple bendable screens, they are not some curved walls that divide your space, they are works of art that can transform any room and keep on transforming it, day in and day out.

Divide And Conquer

SCREEN 100 AND FSW

This amazing piece of simplicity was designed by one of the most talented architects and designers of the 20th century, **Alvar Aalto.**
Somewhere around 1936, Screen 100 was born, and it is still produced by Artek 80 years later. This pricey pinewood 'sculpture' served as an inspiration for numerous designers after Aalto to build similar space dividers. The Scandinavian simplicity of this screen enables it to **softly divide interiors and offer both acoustic and aesthetic comfort.** The rollable 2-meter-long and 6-foot-tall pine screen can fit all shapes and sizes of rooms and adapt to any living or working space.

FAISSAL YARTAA

FAISSALYARTAA IS A 24-YEAR-OLD BLOGGER FROM LAAYOUNE, MOROCCO. FASHION AND PHOTOGRAPHY ARE HIS GREATEST PASSIONS IN LIFE. HE IS CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN VARIOUS PROJECTS REGARDING STYLING, AND IS ALSO VERY FOND OF POP MUSIC AND CULTURE. FAISSAL STARTED BLOGGING SEVERAL YEARS AGO. HE ENJOYS HIS LIFE VERY MUCH AND LOOKS FORWARD TO WHAT THE FUTURE WILL BRING.

•STYLE• HUNTER



M What is your favorite brand and why?

FY The brand I like the most is TOPMAN because I feel it understands my fashion style.

M Describe your typical outfit/style.

FY I hate conforming to a specific style because I'm always open to stepping out of my comfort zone.

Sweater by springfield $40 | Pants by milanoo $23 |Bag by hoodboyz $70 | Glasses by giantvintage $24 | Hat by topman $60

Jacket by toptom $15 | Pants by hoodboyz $44 |Cap by choies.com $23 | Glasses by glassesshop $35 | Shirt by aspecd apparel $99 | Tie by bows'n ties $18



M Can you give a piece of fashion wisdom to our readers?

FY We make fashion, not vice versa. Create your own style and let people say WOW



M How do you keep up coming up with the content of your blog?

FY Inspiration is very important to me. My blog is my world and it represents the relationship between me and things that inspire me.

Shirt by hoodboyz $30 | Pants by h&m $30 | shoes by zara $60 | Sunglasses by rayban $80 | Sock by sammy icon $55 | Watch by daniel wellington $195

M What keeps you going?

FY The colors of this beautiful world we live in is what keeps me inspired and going.

M What are your favorite accessories?

FY My favorite accessories are bracelets, watches and glasses.

Jacket by topman $90 | Jeans by sorty $99 | shoes by massimo dutti $150 | Sunglasses by rayban $80 | Tie by bows'n ties $39 | Shirt by aspecd apparel $99

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Sunglasses by ray ban $206 | Pants by h&m $23 | Blazer by h&m $80 | Shoes by tod's $480

•STYLE• HUNTER

M Describe your style in 5 words.

GMS Elegant, formal, casual, sporty, underground.

Pants by zara $50 | Blazer by h&m $80 | Shoes by pepe jeans $110

Suit by tagliatore pino lerario | Sunglasses by ray ban $145 | Shoes by rocco p. $365

M what is your all-time favorite accessory?

GMS Handbags/backpacks.

M What is your life motto? Can you give a piece of wisdom to our readers?

GMS Express yourself, express your style.

M Why did you start blogging?

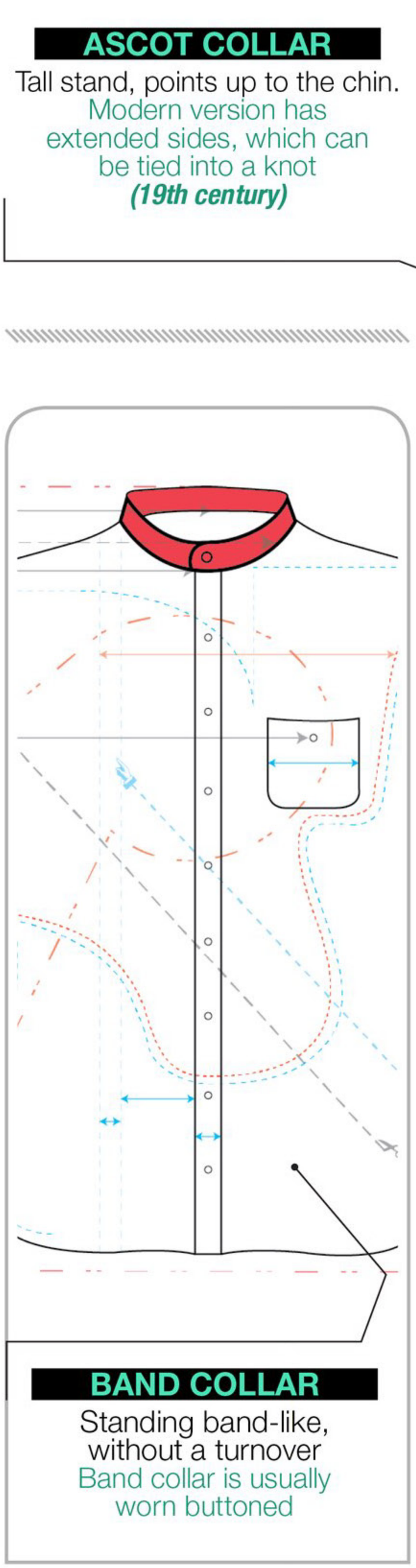
GMS Because blogs are easy to create and they are perfect virtual space for sharing your thoughts, pictures, videos, etc.

Sweater by amaranto apparel | Pants by h&m $40 | Shoes by dr. martens $145

It's a Collarful World

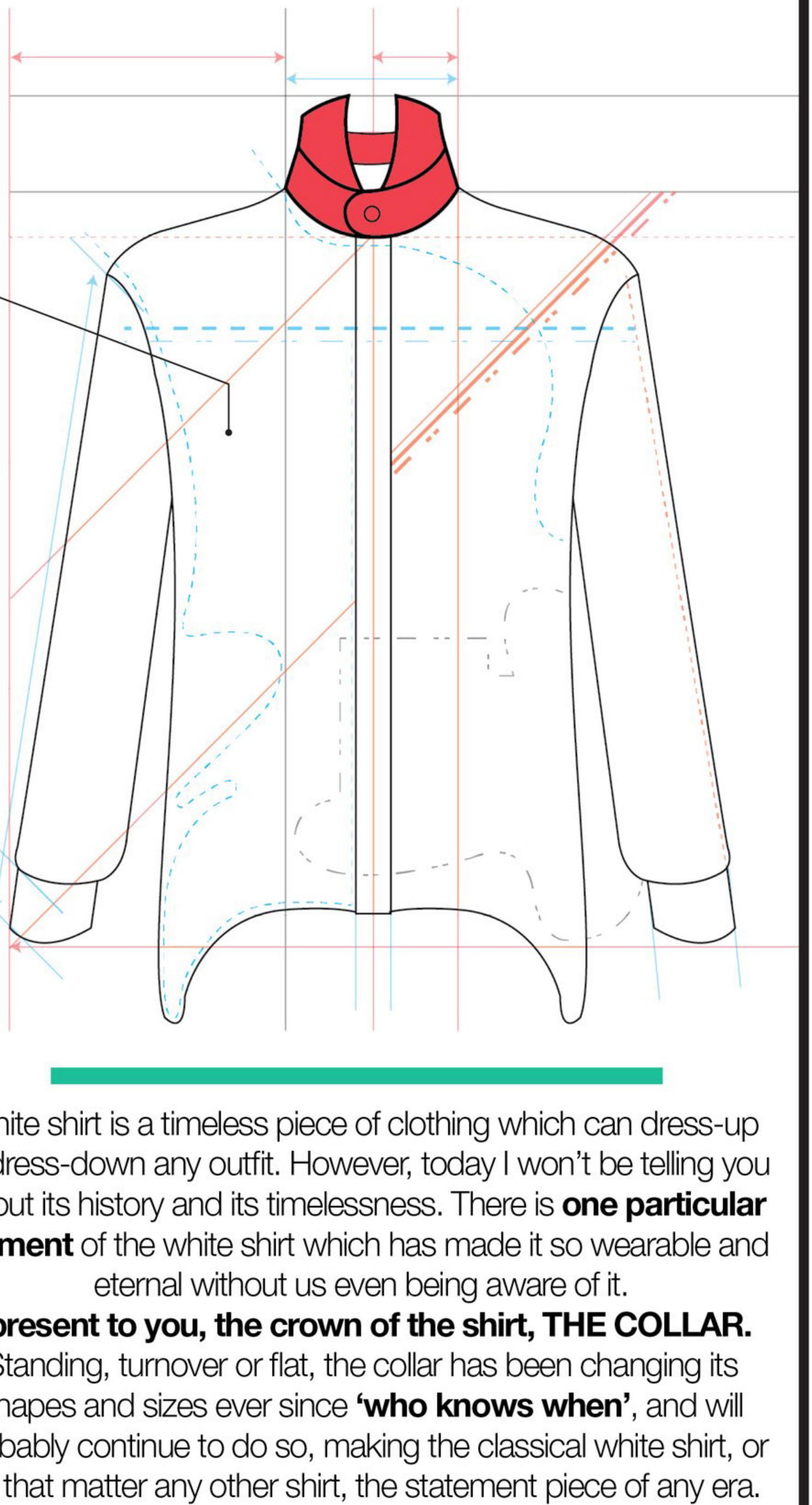
ASCOT COLLAR

Tall stand, points up to the chin.
Modern version has extended sides, which can be tied into a knot
(19th century)



BAND COLLAR

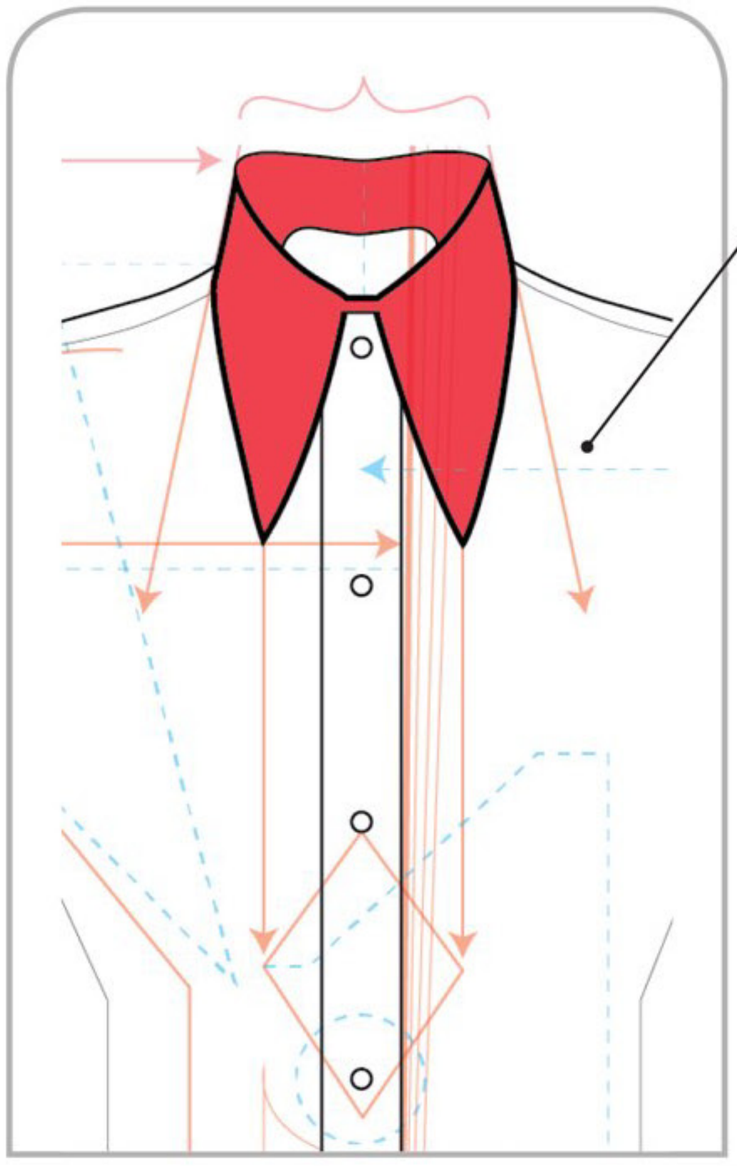
Standing band-like, without a turnover
Band collar is usually worn buttoned



White shirt is a timeless piece of clothing which can dress-up or dress-down any outfit. However, today I won't be telling you about its history and its timelessness. There is **one particular element** of the white shirt which has made it so wearable and eternal without us even being aware of it.

I present to you, the crown of the shirt, THE COLLAR.

Standing, turnover or flat, the collar has been changing its shapes and sizes ever since **'who knows when'**, and will probably continue to do so, making the classical white shirt, or for that matter any other shirt, the statement piece of any era.

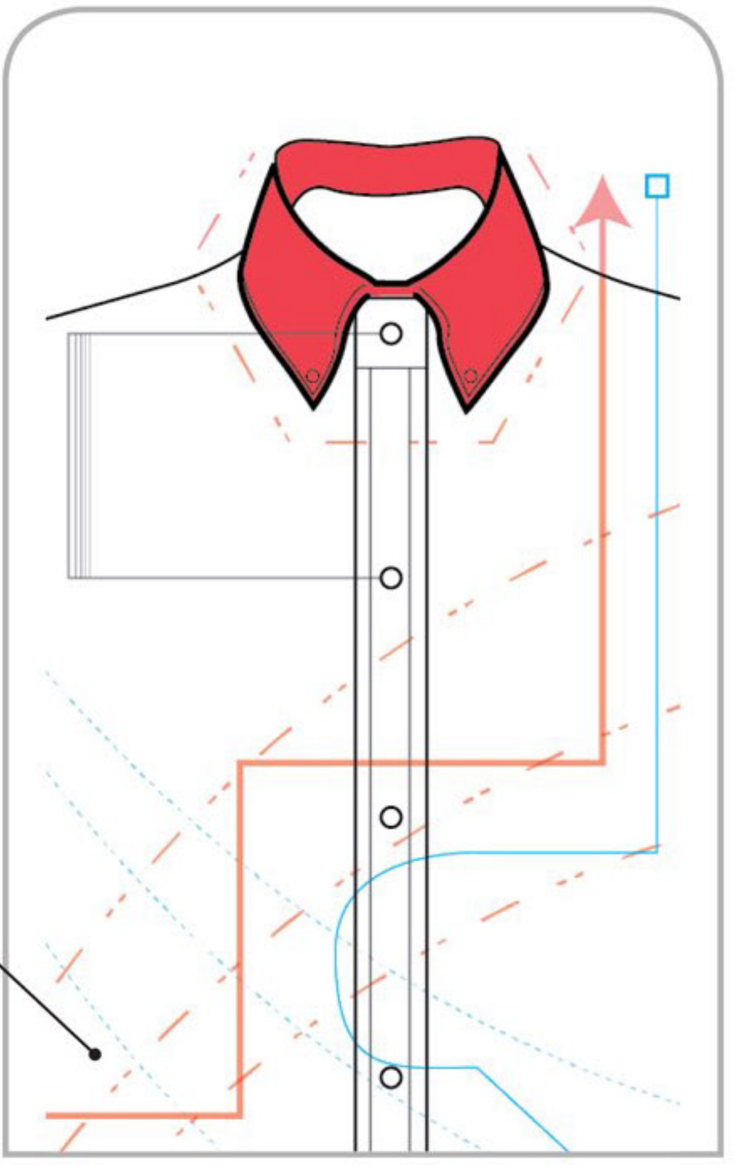


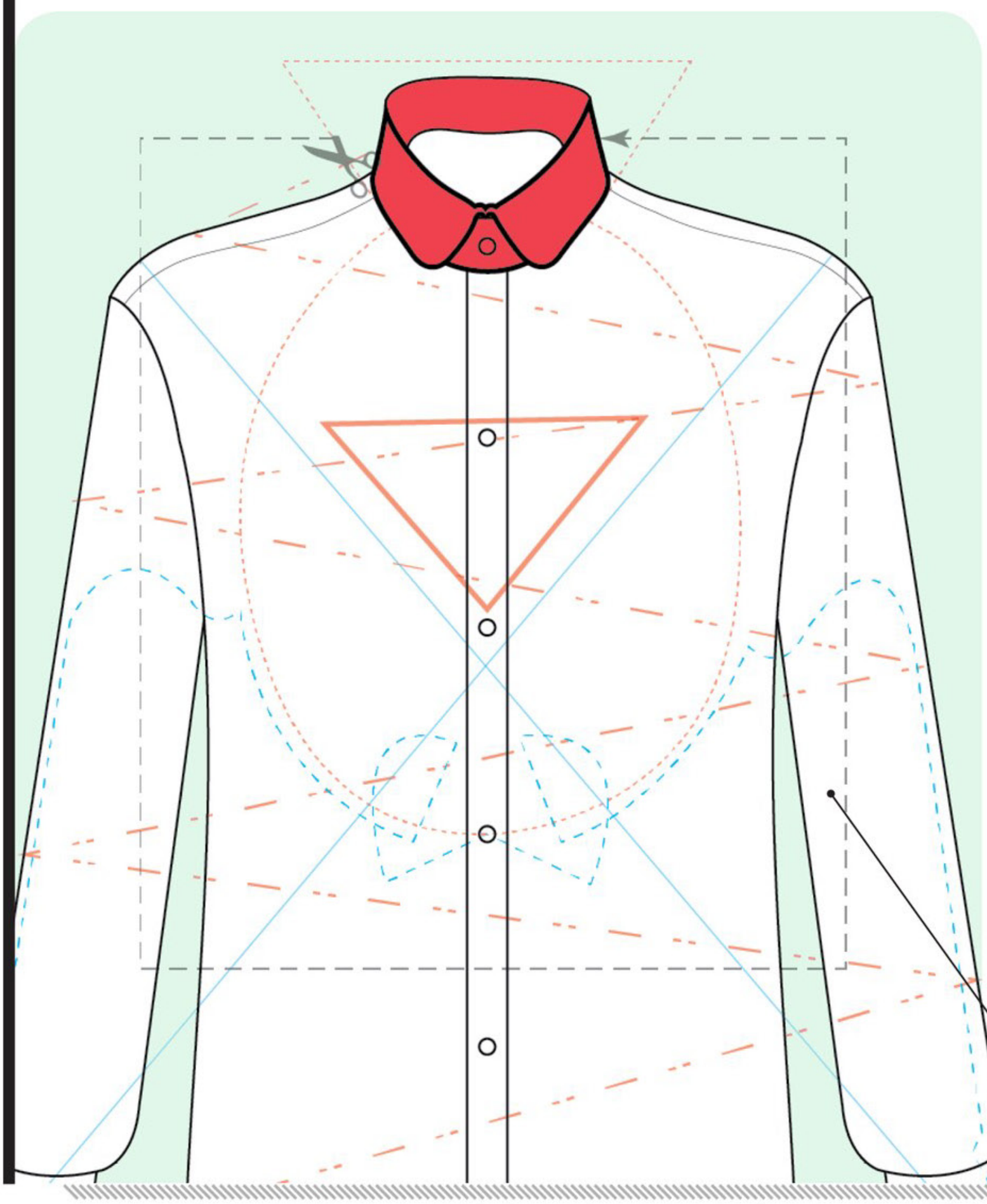
BARRYMORE COLLAR

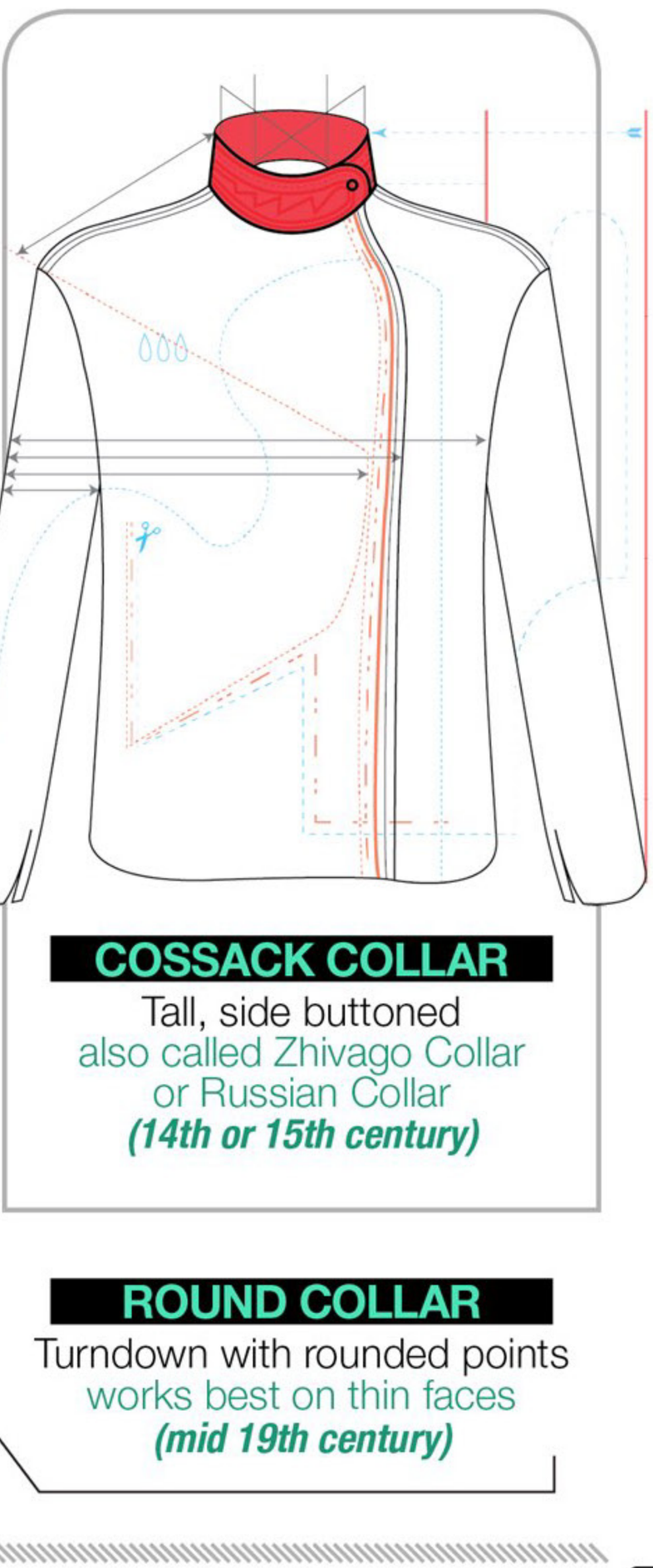
Long Points
Named after actor John Barrymore, but popularized in 1970s
(Early 20th century)

BUTTON-DOWN

Points Buttoned to the Shirt
Sporty and casual, usually worn without a tie
(Late 19th Century)







COSSACK COLLAR

Tall, side buttoned
also called Zhivago Collar or Russian Collar
(14th or 15th century)

ROUND COLLAR

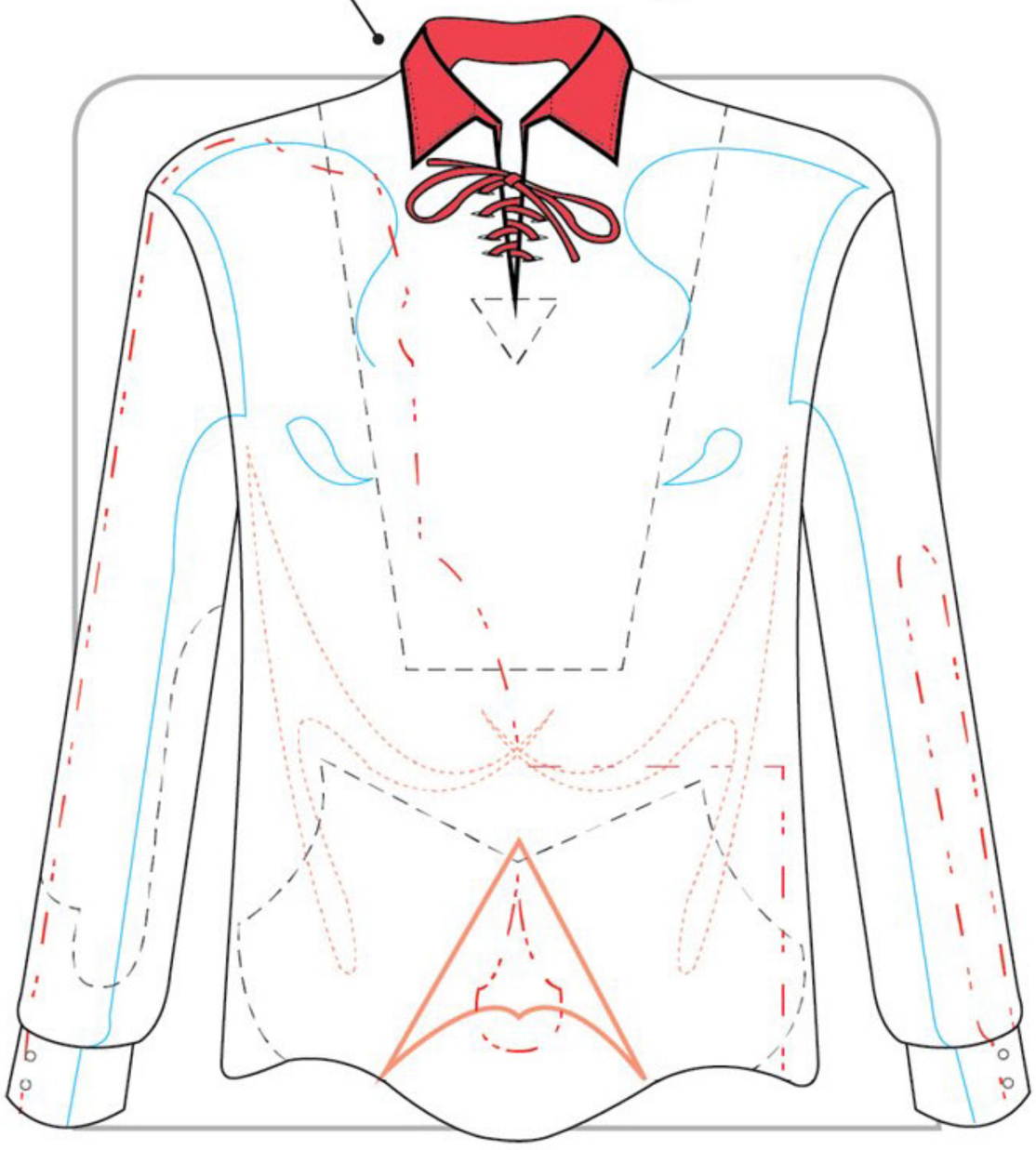
Turndown with rounded points
works best on thin faces
(mid 19th century)

POET COLLAR

Soft, long points

Unbuttoned or without buttons. Worn by the Romantic poets, but reinvented in the 1970s

(mid 18th century)

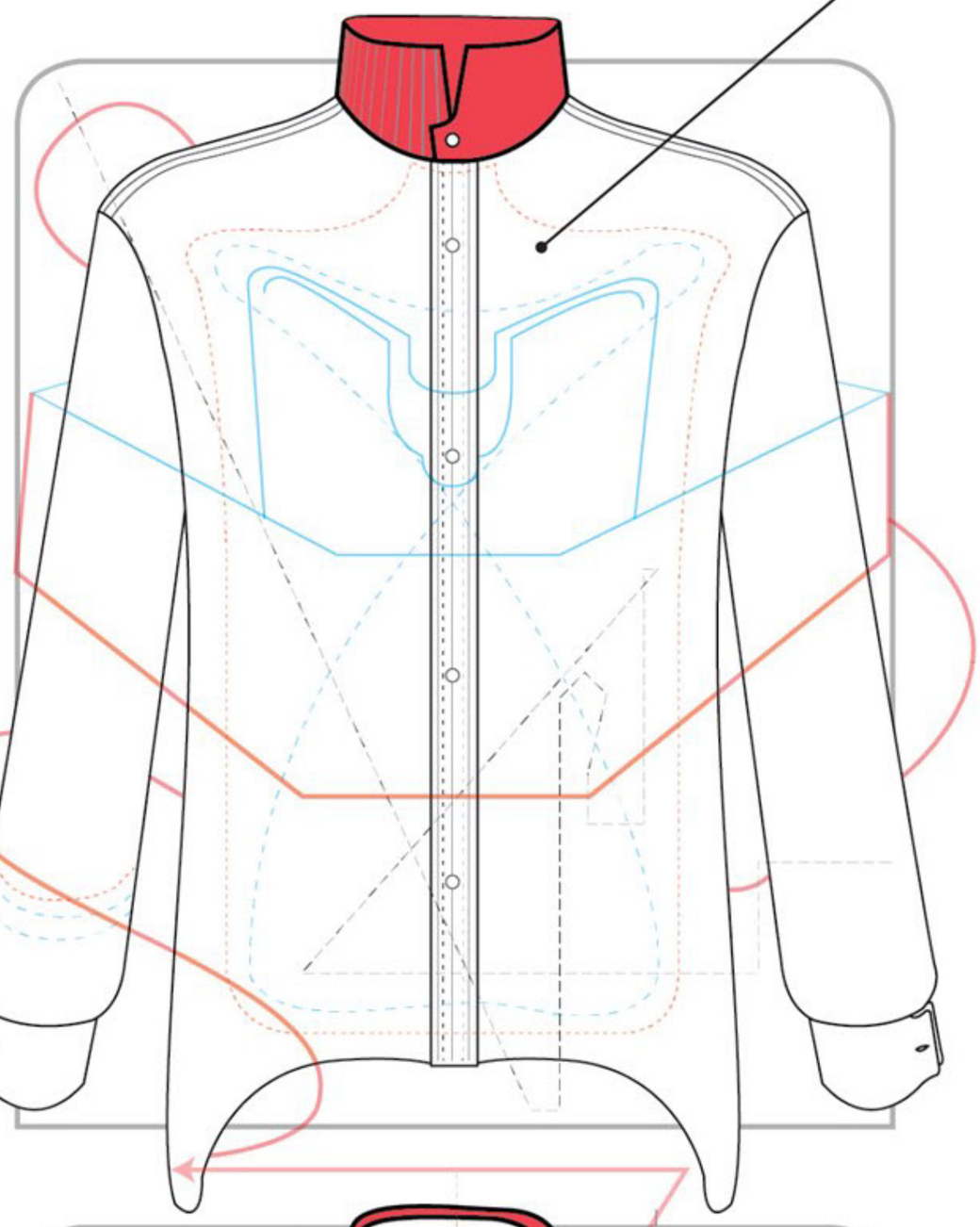


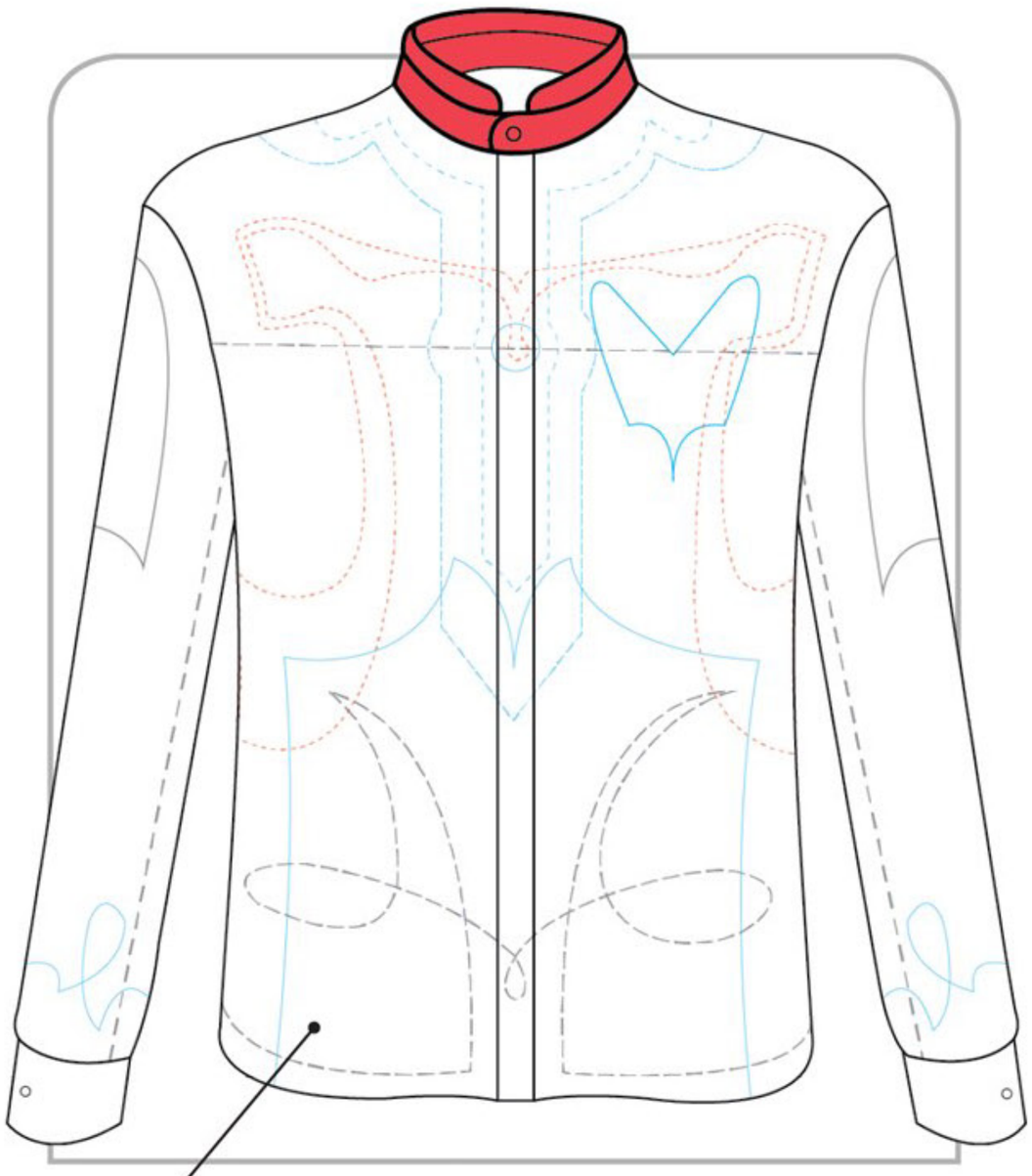
IMPERIAL COLLAR

Stiff standing collar

No tabs on the front. Uncomfortable and popular only in men's fashion

(19th Century)

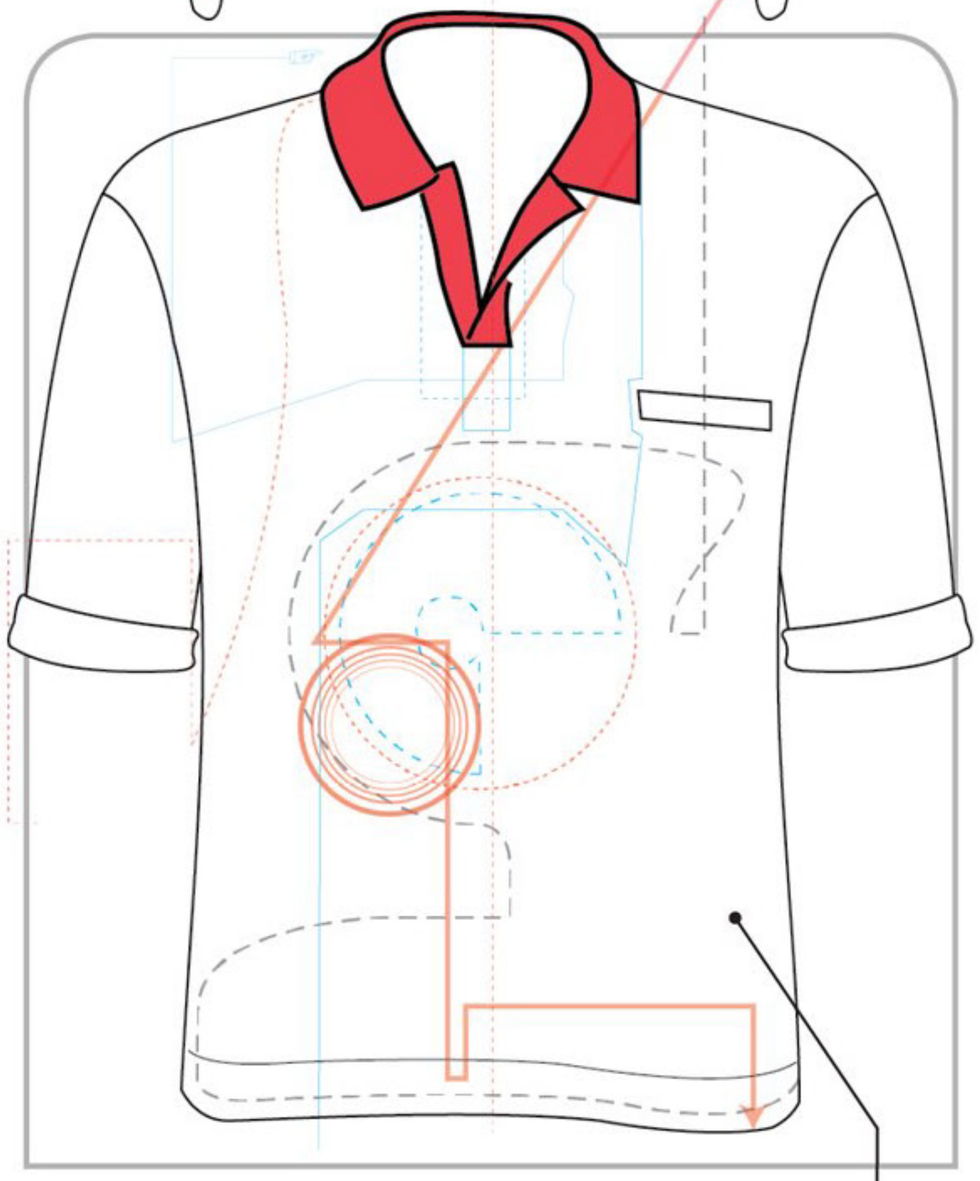




MANDARIN COLLAR

Short, unfolded, standing

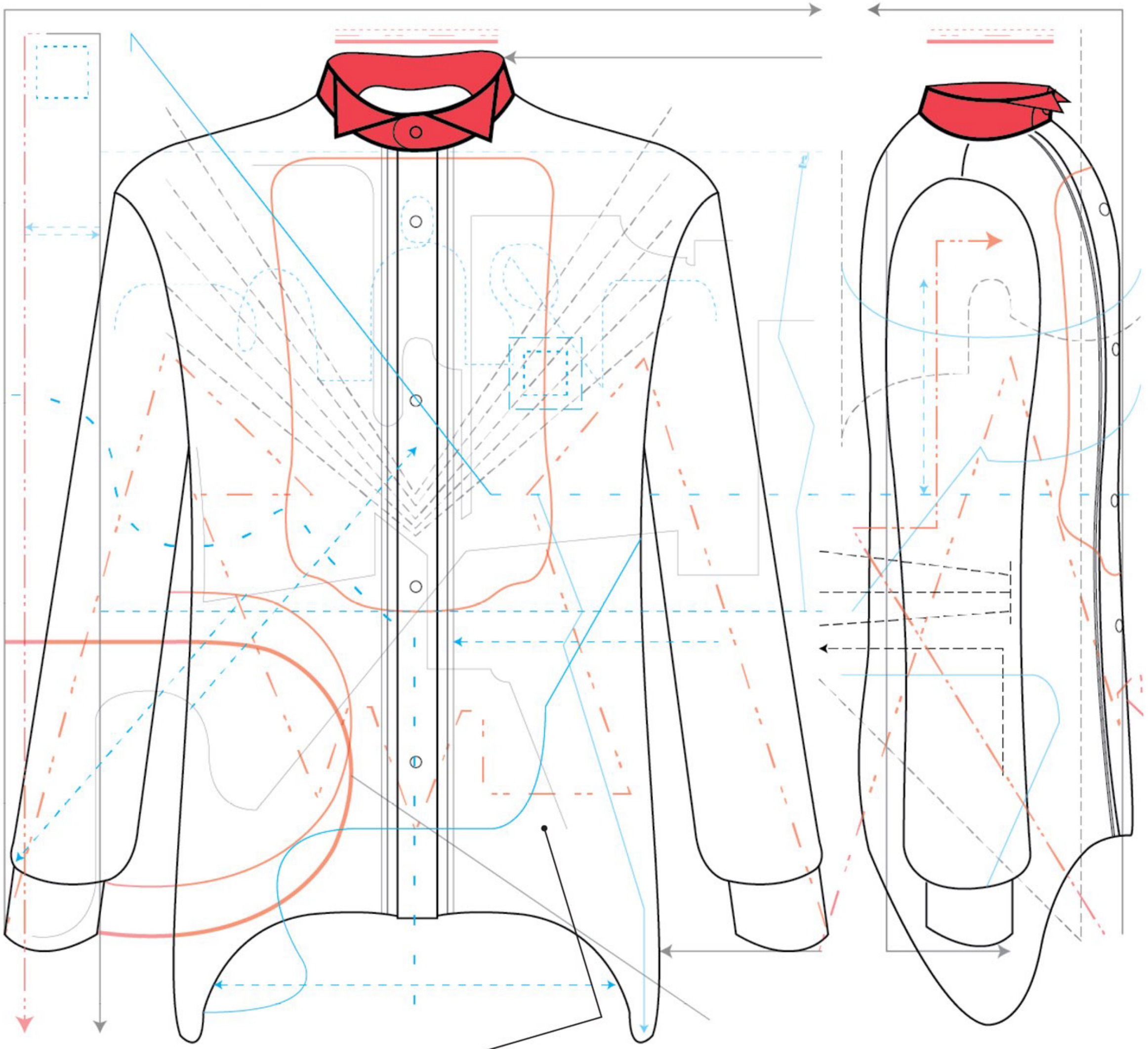
The ends of the collar don't meet, as opposed to the regular band collar



JOHNNY COLLAR

Soft, short and open V-neck

often seen on polo shirts

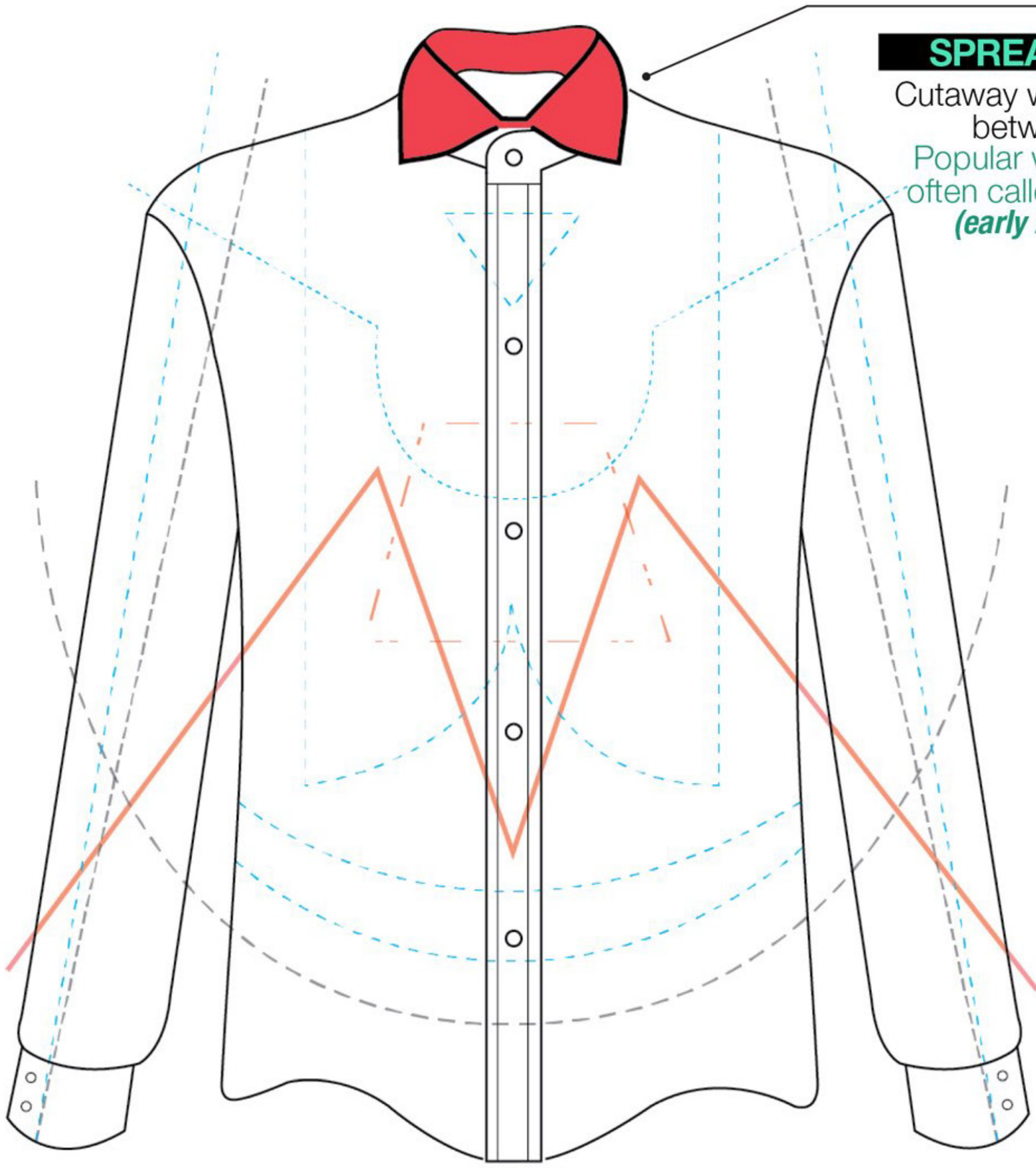


GLADSTONE COLLAR

Standing collar with the points pressed to stick out horizontally

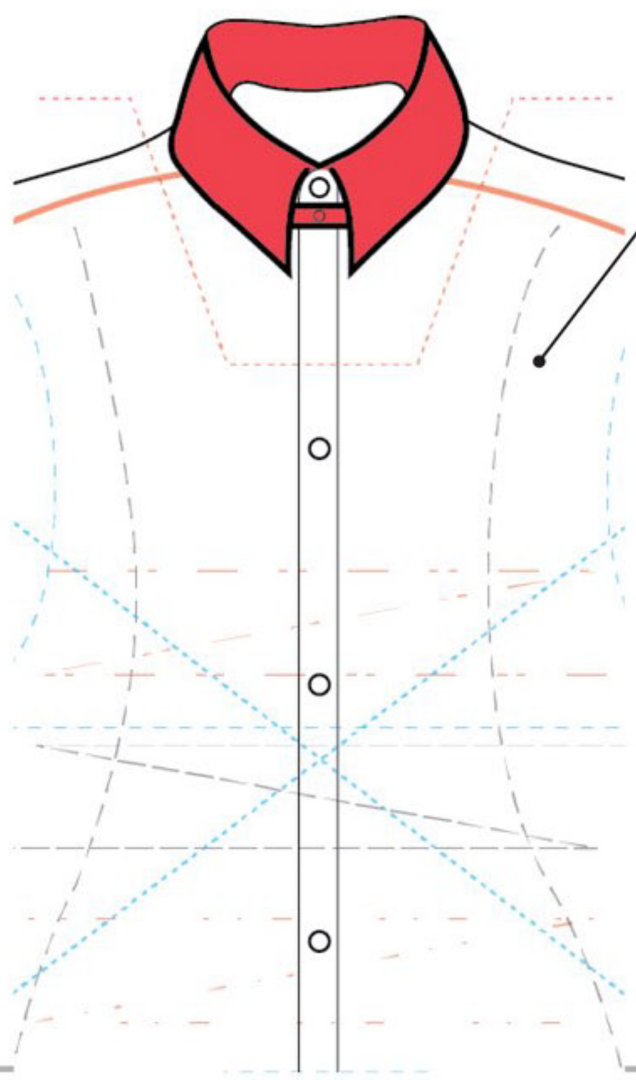
worn with a scarf or an ascot, its descenant is the Wing Collar

(late 19th century)



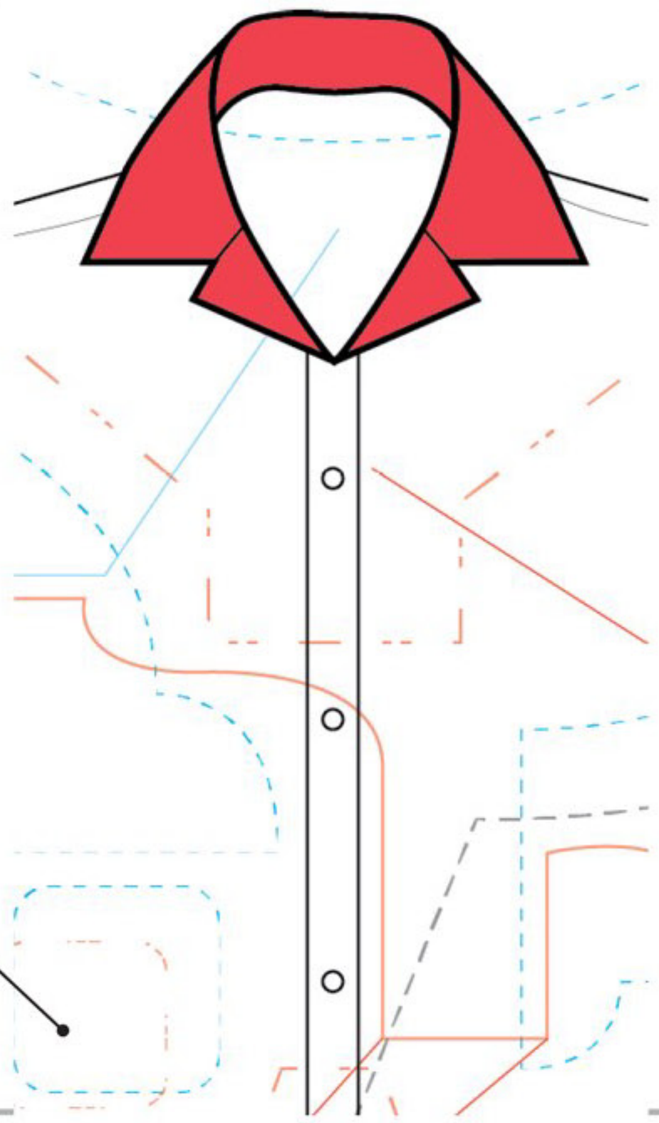
SPREAD COLLAR

Cutaway with wide spread between points
Popular with petite men, often called Albany Collar
(early 20th century)



TAB COLLAR

With a small tab that fastens the points together underneath the knot of the necktie
worn by Daniel Craig in James Bond



CONVERTIBLE

Designed to be worn with the neck button either fastened or unfastened
Often worn by Charlie Harper

The Greatest Retros
AS COMFORTABLE AS OLD SHOES

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574 MESH & SUEDE

New Balance

Price: $101.00

In 1988, the first 574 was actually made from the leftovers of the 576 model. Today, like many other sneakers, this model is customizable both online and in the Times Square Footlocker kiosk. The 574s used to be worn by marathon runners in the 1980s, but today they are the shoes of nurses, doctors, and all people who stand and walk the whole day, as well as those who just want to follow the latest fashion trends. In New Balance they admit that grey is their color, and that this shoe looks its best in grey and black with hints of color.

This fall a **574 '90's Outdoors Pack'** was released in eye-catching autumnal colors.

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ZX FLUX
Adidas
Price: $108.00

Remodeled and restyled the 1989 ZX 8000 now becomes ZX Flux, the hottest trend among Adidas shoes. The ZX 8000 model was one of the best shoes designed for running, with its innovative Torsion® technology, which enabled better stability and control. Today the customizable materials and fabric prints, numerous colors, and new and improved shape, make the Flux a best seller.

From this November, ZX Flux even has its own App, **#miZXFlux,** which enables you to customize your sneakers and receive them within 4 to 6 weeks.

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GEL® ATLATINS
Asics
Price: $107.00

Anima sana in corpore sano or "a healthy mind in a healthy body" is what stands behind the acronym Asics, and the Asics Gel® is what stands behind healthy and comfortable distance running. The Gel® technology significantly amped the performance of athletes back in 1986 and all of the newer editions have continued to do so.

January 2015, Asics will be launching the **Asics Gel® Atlantis Retro,** a magical mixture of synthetic suede and mesh paired with Gel cushioning beneath.

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MELO M11
Air Jordan
Price: $170.00

Back in 1984 Air Jordan 1 was a pair of sneakers for which Michael Jordan was continually being fined for. For the lack of uniformity on the basketball court, Jordan had to pay $5000 fine per game, but he refused to let go of this unique pair of shoes. This is probably Nike's most popular model that has been around for the last 30 years.

This December, Nike will proudly be releasing the new and retro Jordan Melo M11.

TAP ON SNEAKERS TO READ MORE









STAR BOMBER JACKET
Givenchy
Price: $2.331,15



'ANGRY DOG' T-SHIRT
Philipp Plein
Price: $431.52



STAR MOTIF SWEATER
Paul Smith
Price: $289.09



STAR PATTERNED SOCKS
Fefè
Price: $21.56



'VARLEY STARS' SNEAKERS
Jimmy Choo
Price: $612.64

Stars in Your Eyes

SHINE BRIGHT LIKE A STAR

Stars are always popular. Not movie stars or MTV stars. We mean those luminous spheres of plasma **high up in the sky.** They provide us light (you know the story about the sun, right?), warmth, they make us wander away when it is nighttime. They also make us dreamy, melancholic, sentimental and romantic. So you can think of us as your universe. We created a "stars" outfit for you that will most certainly **make you shine and abso-fucking-lutely hot.** To that extent that most girls would like to wear sunglasses around you.
But do help them with the sunscreen.



STAR PRINT JEANS
Givenchy
Price: $415.61



'STARS' IPAD COVER
Jimmy Choo
Price: $442.27

LOGO PRINT HOODIE
Vans
Price: $70.09

LOGO PRINT T-SHIRT
Le Coq Sportif
Price: $33.69

RIBBED KNIT HAT
Diesel
Price: $37.73

REVERSIBLE VEST
Avec
Price: $136.77

STONE WASHED JEANS
Polo Ralph Lauren
Price: $123.69

PLAY HIGH TOP SNEAKERS
Comme Des Garçons
Price: $94.69

Dress for Less
IT'S NOT ALL ABOUT MONEY

On the Road

GOING AWAY WITH STYLE

This is the **best time of the year to go somewhere:** skiing in the mountains, visiting your relatives for the holidays, or simply driving away from the noise of the city life. Beside your positive attitude and credit cards/money, what else would you need? Yes, the perfect company, but we're thinking about something else. You will also need **things that will make your trip as enjoyable as possible:** bags for clothing, toiletries, etc. Once again, our team has provided you with some of the best trip accessories there are. **Have a safe trip!**



MULTI PATCH BACKPACK
Kenzo
Price: $675.89



'L'OMBRE' HAND SOAP
Diptyque
Price: $18.40



GANCIO EMBOSSED WASH BAG
Salvatore Ferragamo
Price: $387.00



PERFORATED WALLET
Gucci
Price: $453.02



CHECKED CARRY-ON BAG
Burberry
Price: $1.798,89



CLASSIC UMBRELLA
Burberry London
Price: $307.00

Skincare Helpers

AS SMOOTH AS A BABY'S BOTTOM

They were right, the winter has come indeed: **low temperatures, extremely chilly and windy days, rain and snow, and everything else that might just be your enemy when it comes to looking good.** Well, at least you can use these harsh weather conditions to your advantage and take some time to **nourish your skin.** Women don't like cracked and chapped skin. Ugh! Disgusting, they would say, even if it's not that much repulsive to you. We selected some of the top selling, high quality products that will **make all the ladies want to touch your skin.** And something more! Make their wish come true!



BAXTER OF CALIFORNIA
MOISTURISER
300ml, *$18.00*

With plant based, antioxidant oils and a sweet herbal musk scent, this lotion is ideal for your entire skin.



C.O.BIGELOW
CHAPPED HANDS REMEDY
48g, *$14.00*

This medical hand cream contains 40% glycerin, so it is ideal for rough hand skin treatment.



CZECH & SPEAKE
MOISTURISING BODY & BATHING OIL
50ml, *$95.00*

This luxurious product with essential oils will leave you smelling like heaven with its masculine scent.



MALIN + GOETZ
FACE MOISTURISER
118ml, *$45.00*

The moisturizer that is quickly absorbed, with vitamin E and B5 is ideal for everyday use or after shaving.



PERRICONE MD
ACYL-GLUTATHIONE DEEP CREASE SERUM
30ml, *$155*

This product is extremely good at fighting fine lines and lines that occur during facial movements.



REN SKINCARE
FIRM AND LIFT EYE CREAM
15ml, *$40.00*

The cream is designed to gently firm the delicate skin around eyes with 100% plant and mineral derivatives.



M.E. SKIN LAB
BAUME 27-BIO ENERGIZING CELL REPAIR BALM
50ml, *$180.00*

This balm is an ideal anti-aging treatment that soothes, nourishes, regenerates and rejuvenates your face and neck.

Pull-Up Bar

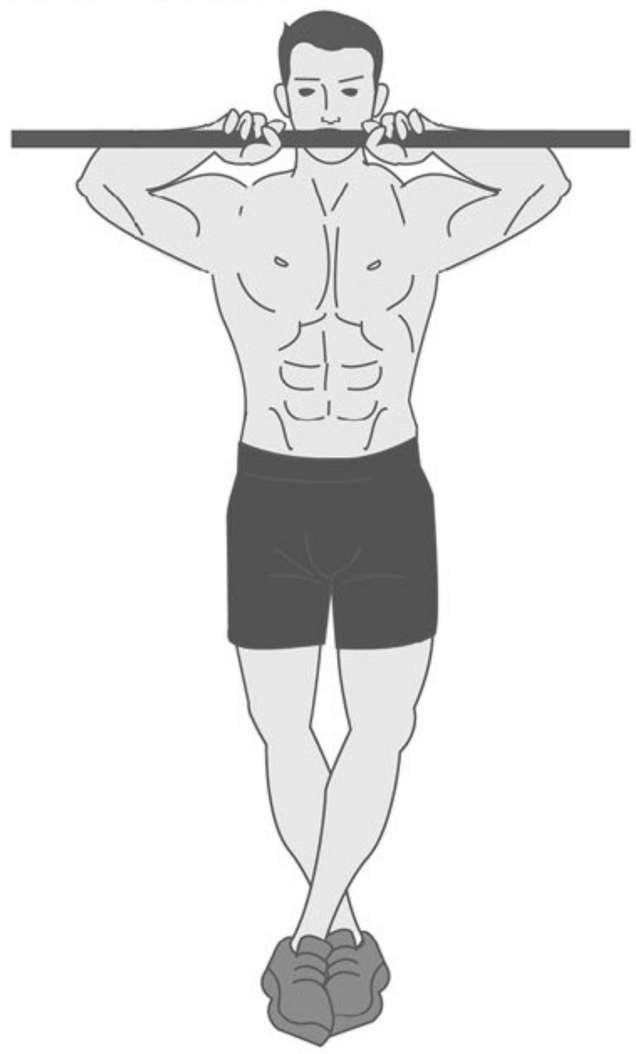
Shape up using only **determination and a pull-up bar** as your palette knives

PULL-UP BAR /// Pull-ups are definitely the most perfect and **the most difficult upper body exercise.** This is why you should not omit this piece of equipment from your home gym. **A simple pull-up bar can be found at a price as low as 15 bucks,** but the majority of them cost around $20 (of course you can find way more expensive bars, but it would be a waste of money). Some **fancy models can be found around $40** and offer you the possibility to do some other exercises, by having some **extra bars and curls and by not being fixed to one place.** That is to say, you can easily remove them from the door, fix them in other places and positions and do push-ups, sit-ups, dips, crunches etc. You should **make sure that the bar fits your doorframe,** and, as with the bench, **it should be solid and firm.** When buying a mobile bar, it is important that the system that enables the bar to be mobile is reliable and stable.

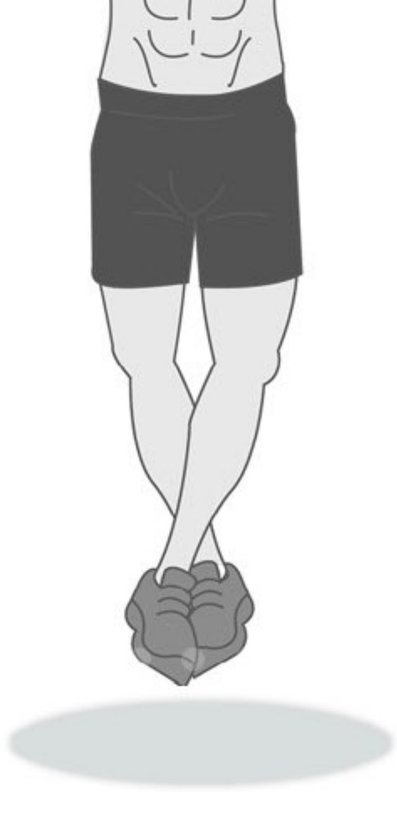
No. 1 exercise

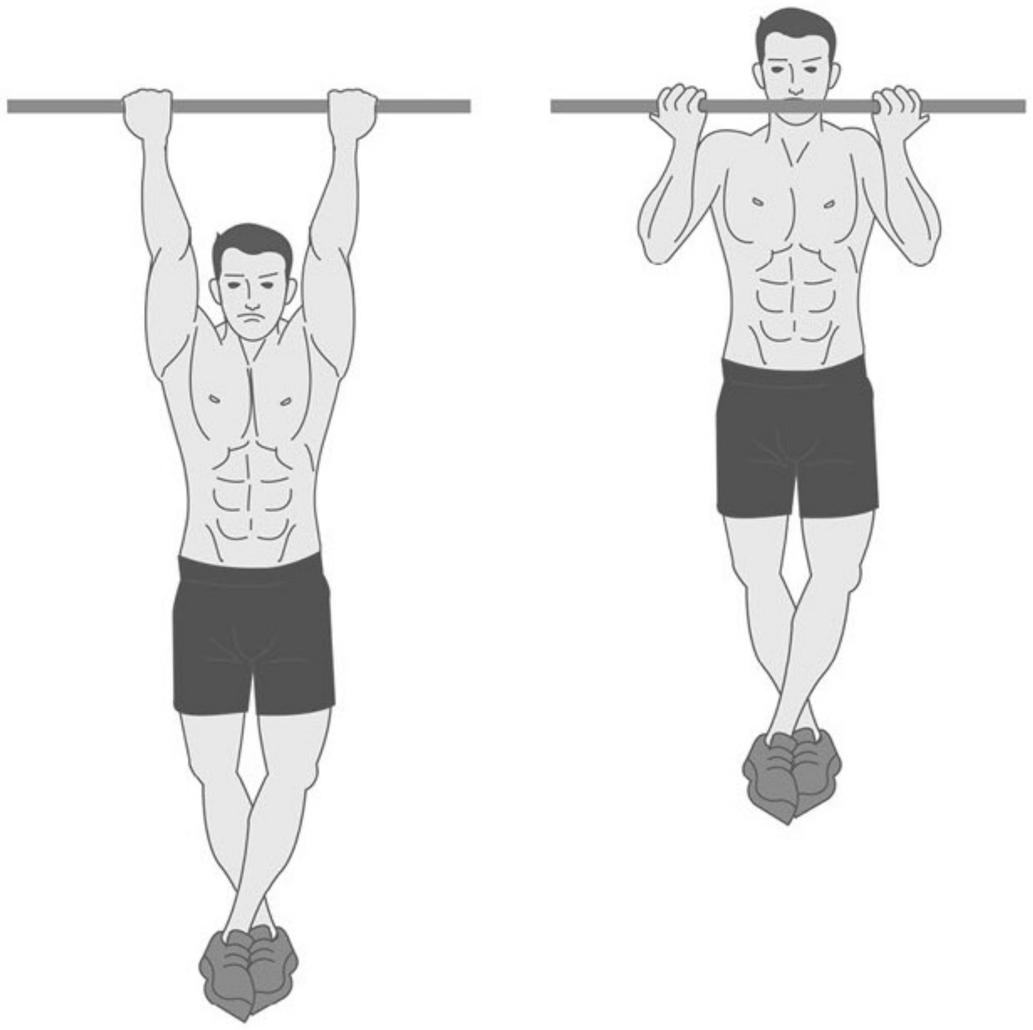
Pull-up

Grab the pull-up bar with your palms facing away from you and **lift yourself up.** This is a classing pull-up and you can do it with **a narrower or wider grip,** just make sure your grip is not too wide, as it can lead to shoulder injury. **Keep your body steady,** it is very important to avoid swinging.



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Chin-up

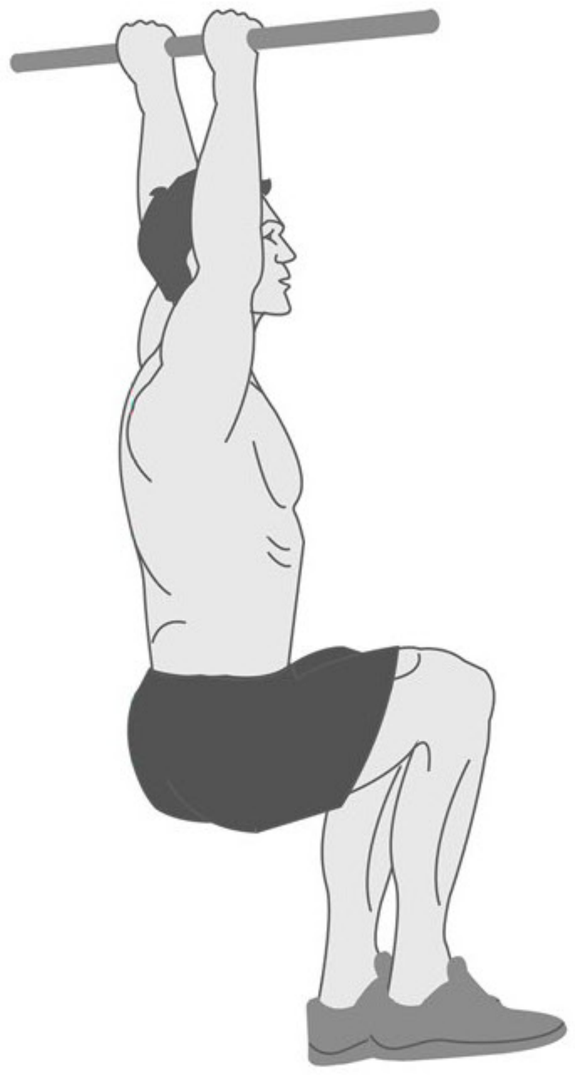
No.2 exercise

Grab the pull-up bar with your hands facing your body. Your hands should be only a few inches apart. Lift yourself up. Chin-ups are very similar to pull-ups but they tend to target upper back muscles and biceps more than the regular pull-ups.

No.3 exercise

Hanging Leg-Raises

Hang from the pull-up bar and wait until your **body is still.** Raise your legs by bending at the hips and knees (you can do it also with your knees straight, it is much harder). Return to the starting position. You can also **fit a dumbbell between your feet to increase the difficulty.**



ALL ON BOARD

Austrian **Snowflake**

Modern Gladiators

Janary - 2015

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Before 2013, not too much was said or known about Anna Gasser. However, that changed radically when she became **the first female snowboarder in history to perform a cab double underflip.** Since then, Anna has been in the spotlight, as she managed to be at the **cutting edge in slopestyle competitions** all over the globe. Before the Olympics 2014, her best World Cup result was a third place in Stoneham, on January the same year. After performing an amazing run at Sochi, this **23-year-old Austrian beauty** qualified for Olympic slopestyle final with a top score. She also finished fifth at the 2014 X Games.



Appearing in almost every sports news in the world, Anna Gasser has become an **international star.** We are pretty sure that gold medals are in store for her in not so distant future, as she is the essential part of the elite group who actually can perform a double flip. If you are an enthusiastic snowbord fan (or not), **Anna Gasser is one hell of an athlete you will most certainly notice in the future.**



Surviving Toothache

PAIN IS A NATURAL DEFENSE MECHANISM. IT IS A SPECIAL KIND OF ALARM, WHICH WARNS US THAT THERE IS SOMETHING WRONG IN OUR BODIES. PAIN IS FREQUENTLY DEEMED THE MOST IMPORTANT EVOLUTIONARY MECHANISM CREDITED WITH HUMAN SURVIVAL, BECAUSE IT HAS MADE US FIND TREATMENTS AND MEDICATIONS FOR RELIEVING IT, WHICH IMPROVED THE QUALITY OF LIFE SIGNIFICANTLY

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However, even besides all the medications and procedures we use to fight it, great inconveniences can be caused by a very specific and irritant kind of pain – toothache. **The contemporary lifestyle provides us with million ways to keep our teeth healthy and painless.** Despite this, everyone faces a toothache once in a while and to a significant number of people, this happens precisely **when they are unable to pay a visit to the dentist.** Here are some tips and tricks how to fight toothache naturally, at least until the dentist office opens.

Commercial medications against pain can create more harm than good, particularly by causing addiction and tolerance, so it is no wonder that people take those products even for the slightest pain. Few people know that an efficient and **natural medicine** against toothache can be found in anyone's household.

1 Numbing the pain /

Every toothache is distinct and different, although they all appear to be similar. The intensity, type, how much the pain lasts and the reason of its occurrence are diverse, but the inconvenience makes us pay less attention to these details. **One characteristic of toothache that makes a huge difference is whether it is relieved by means of a hot or cold compress.** Cold compresses are made of ice cubes wrapped in a cloth and they anesthetize and thus relive the pain. Hot compresses are made of heated salt wrapped in a cloth (because salt preserves and conducts heat well) and they reduce the swelling and alleviate the pressure on the tissue.

Medicinal oils /

Teas and decoctions made from different herbs can be very useful. **Mint, plantago, sage, and chamomile are among the most commonly used.** They are used to make teas, or more frequently, decoctions. Decoctions are made by pouring the boiling water over the matter (dried leaves of some herb), and after letting it sit for twenty minutes, straining it (the liquid can be stored in the fridge). Rinsing the mouth with either teas or decoctions eases the ache quickly. The chamomile decoction **is best when made from the fresh plant** and mint is more effective when used as tea. Mint, plantago, and clove can be of help when chewed fresh.

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Alcohol rinse /

Alcohol brings about an **immediate effect of anesthetizing** the tissue in the mouth. This is one of the most commonly employed cures. Many people don't know that, after the rinse, they should spit the content out.

Whiskey, vodka, cognac, schnapps, gin or any other strong liquor will be of use

Rather, they take the chance to drink some. When it comes to this type of pain, the local effect of alcohol on the tissue is the most important, as **opposed to some more severe types of pain when its central effect is used.** Whiskey, vodka, cognac, schnapps, gin or any other strong liquor will be of use.

Kitchen cures /

Some of the ingredients straight from the kitchen can be pretty efficient against toothache. **Onion, garlic, vanilla extract, apple cider vinegar, and baking soda are just some of them.** A cotton ball can be soaked in each of these ingredients (alcohol too, if desired), and pressed against the aching tooth. **The effect is very similar to the effect of other medicines** because the active substances soothe the pain by affecting the receptors in the tissue. This way, the painful sensations get reduced by anesthetizing, and, as well as with all other treatments, **it is an acute home-made remedy** that should come in handy until you go to the dentist.

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Toothache prevention is simple. It entails regular hygiene and visits to the dentist. Unfortunately, despite taking all the measures, **certain processes can still appear on the teeth, and they can be caused by an injury or a genetic predisposition, but also by neglect.** Besides these couple of tricks, it is important to remember the circumstances in which the pain appeared, the way it intensifies and subsides. This way we get to know the pain, and by knowing it, we can fight it off more easily.



Gain and No Pain

DOING EXERCISE IN THE GYM, HOWEVER EASY OR DIFFICULT IT MAY BE, ALWAYS LEAVES CERTAIN CONSEQUENCES TO OUR BONE AND MUSCLE SYSTEM. COMBINED WITH OUR REGULAR DAILY ACTIVITIES AT WORK AND A LACK OF SLEEP OR REST, EXERCISING CAN LEAD TO DANGEROUS COMPLICATIONS. TO PREVENT THESE PROBLEMS YOU SHOULD NOT JUST LET THE BODY RELAX AND REGENERATE ITSELF, BUT USE SOME TRICKS THAT COULD AID THESE PROCESSES AND HELP YOU GET ON WITH YOUR DAY.

Candice Swanepoel

Heavenly Creature

ANGELS SMILING ON OUR HAPPINESS

I am always a summer girl

Candice is one of our favorite girls. This magnetic blue-eyed girl next door is not only devilishly hot, but she is also very active regarding charity work. She is involved in various organizations, like one that helps the emancipation of women in third world countries, and many others, like the organization that saves the rhinos. Even though she is from South Africa, Candice found her spiritual connection with Brazil and you can easily spot her there, swimming or enjoying the sunny day at a beach. Even Victoria's Secret couldn't resist her: the VS team made an underwear outfit molded by her measurements. The price? Only $10 million. So guys, start saving money, you will not find 10 million in the street.

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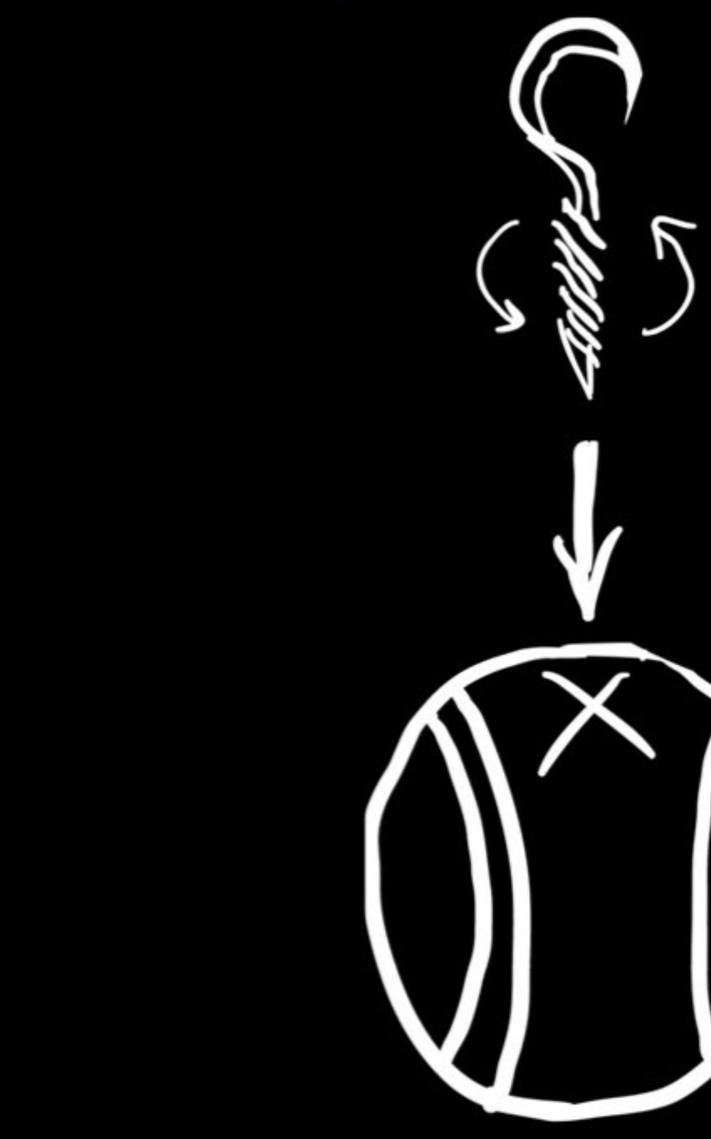
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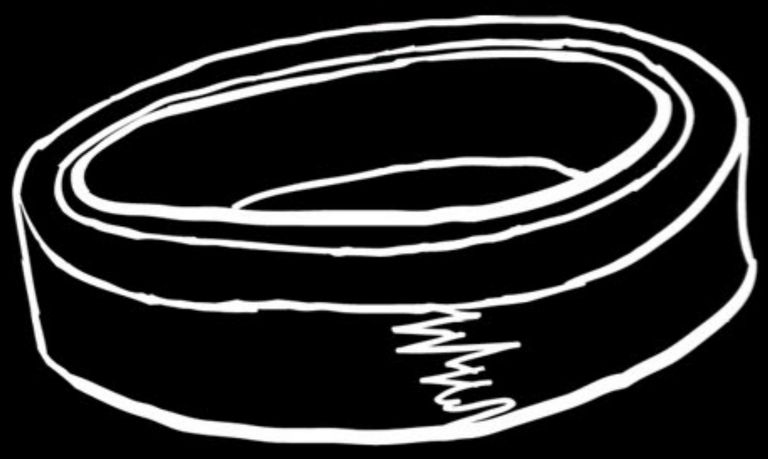
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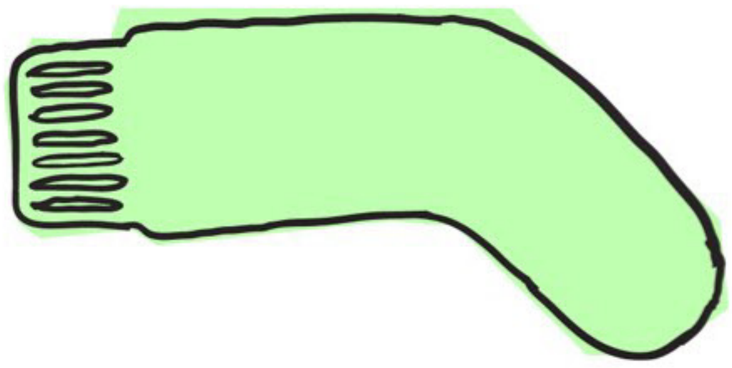
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Custom Workout Phone Armband

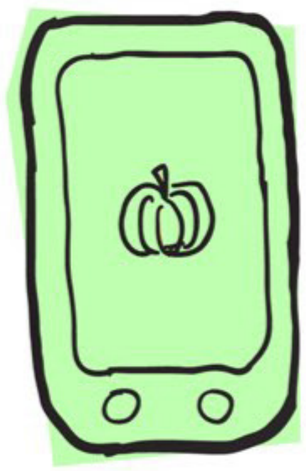
Fancy a workout but you need a place to stash your phone?
That odd tube sock you have lying around will finally come in handy.
a Use scissors to cut off the top part of a tube sock. The length of the armband is very important, so make sure you make the most of it when cutting. b Put the cut-off part on your arm. The top of the sock should be on the bottom, because it has an elastic band. Make sure it's tight enough to hold the weight of a phone, but not too tight. If it affects your performance, than it's just not worth it. c Press the phone up against the armband and roll the bottom part upward.

Things you need

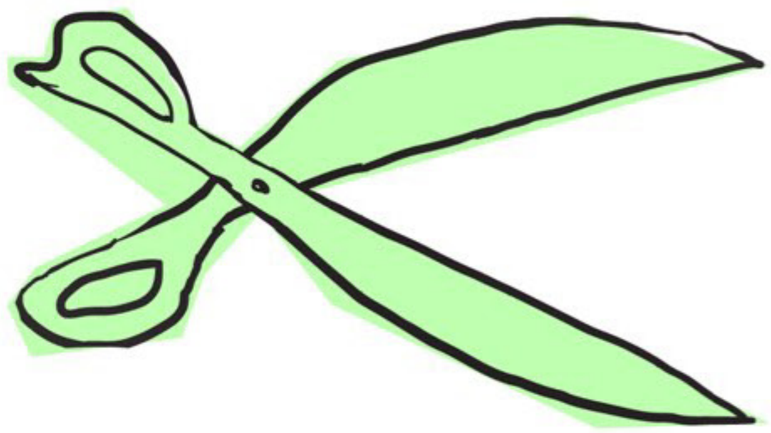
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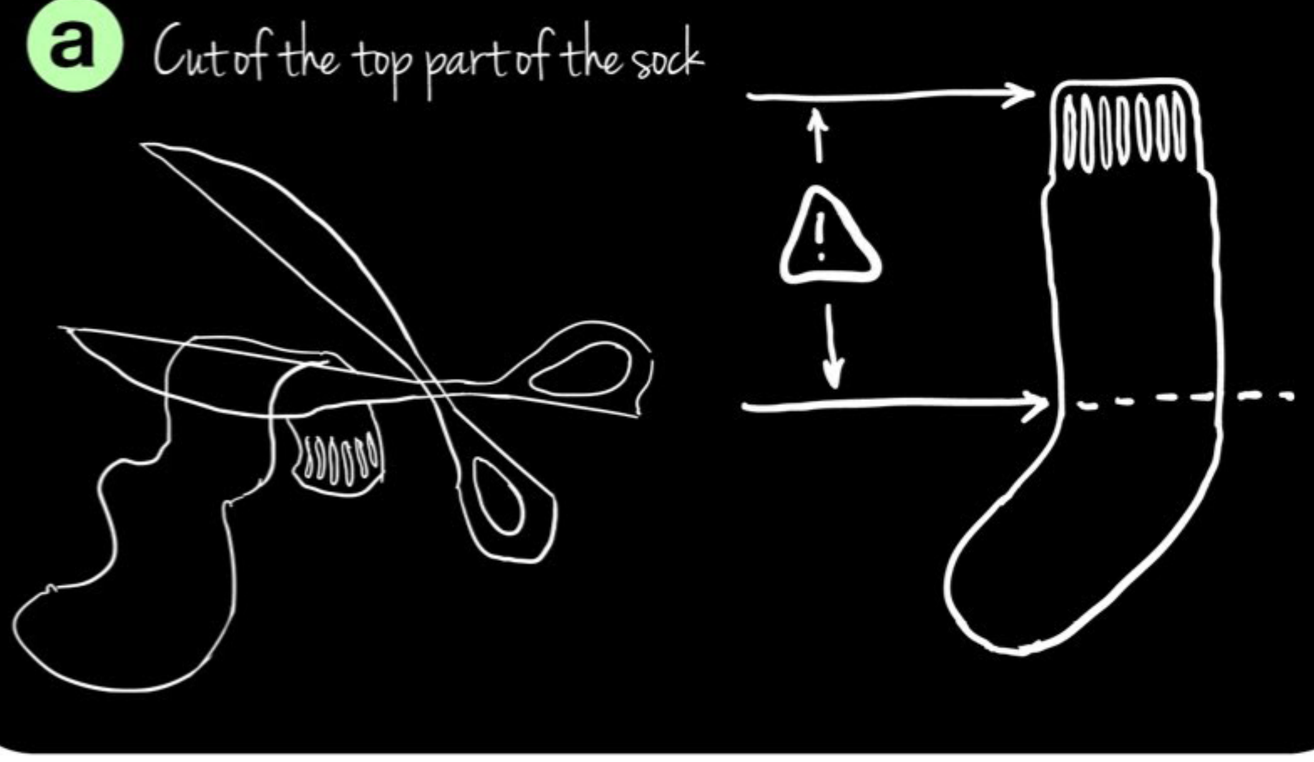


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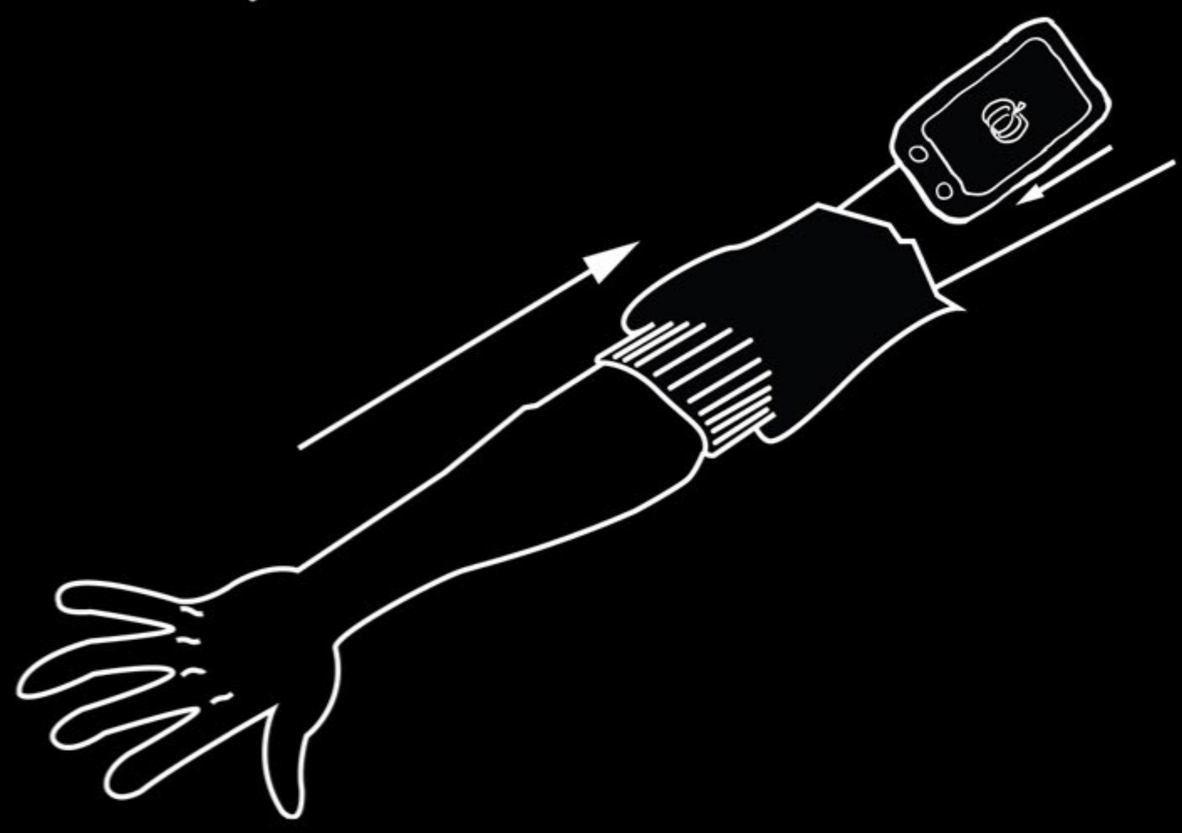


Step-by-step instrucitons

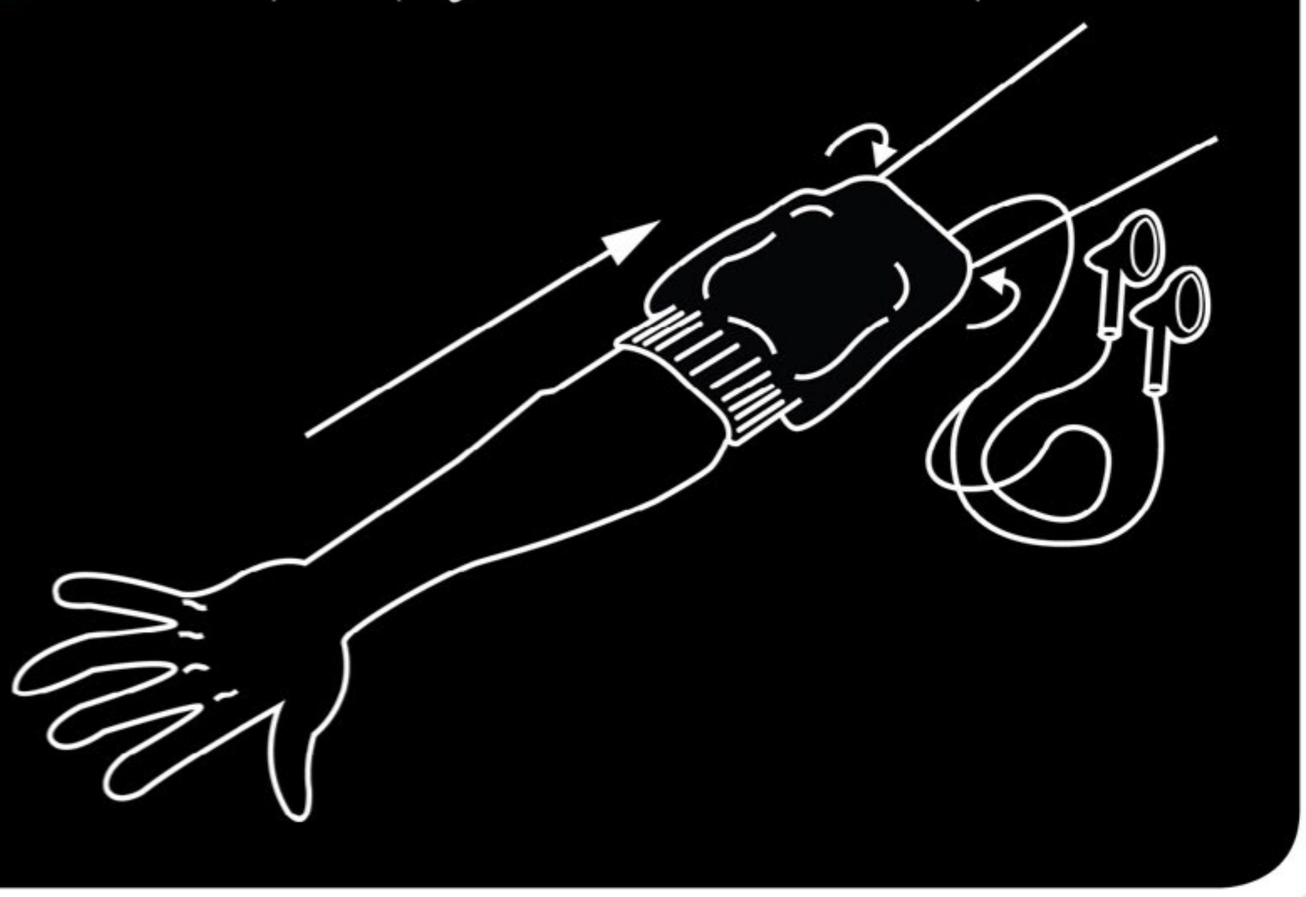
a Cut of the top part of the sock



b Put it on your arm (elastic band on the bottom)



c Press the phone up against the armband and roll upward



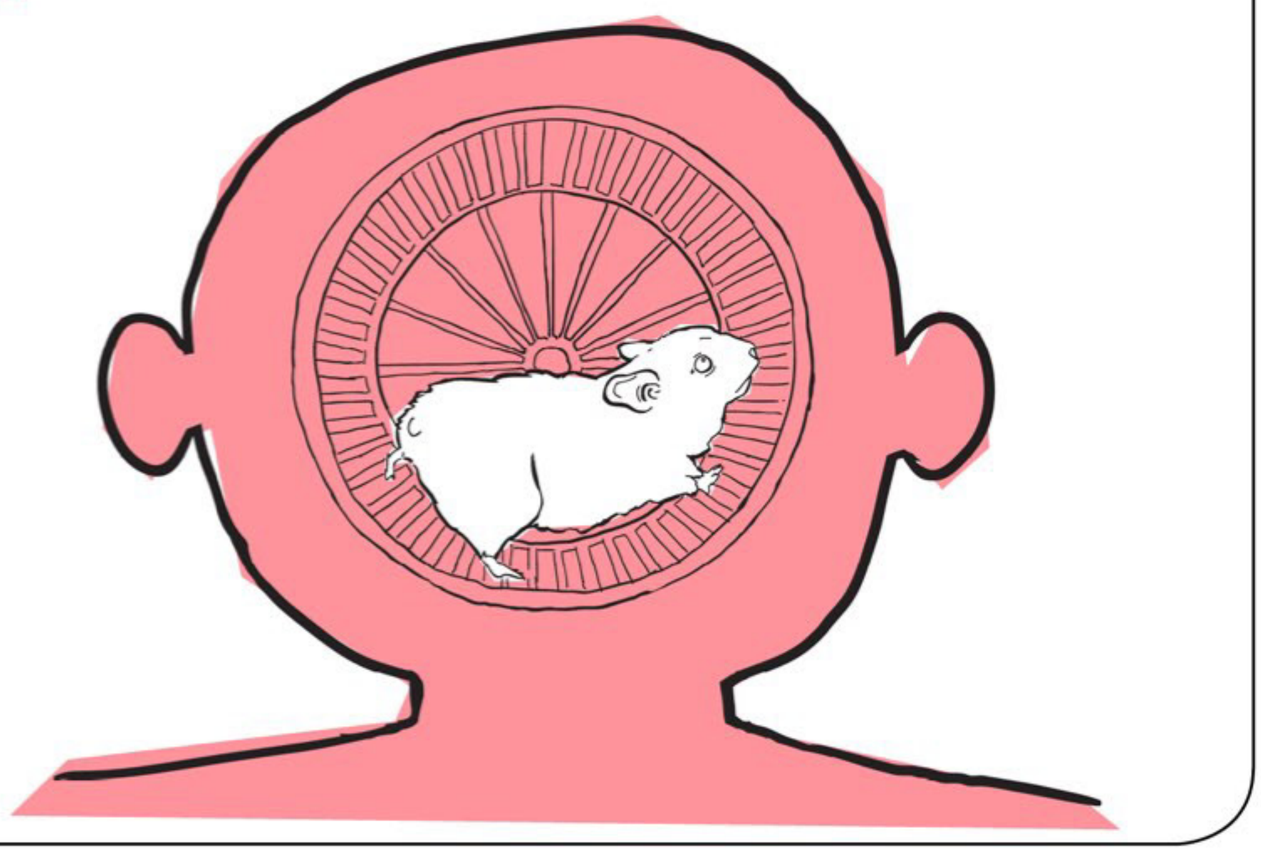
Make sure you locked the door

Do you have a problem remembering if you locked your front door or not? Never doubt yourself again by using this simple trick.

a Make a strange sound or noise when locking a door. Unusual things are easily remembered, and they will be associated with the act of locking the door. If you are going to use this often, try using different types of sounds. The effect of this trick wears down if you use the same sound.

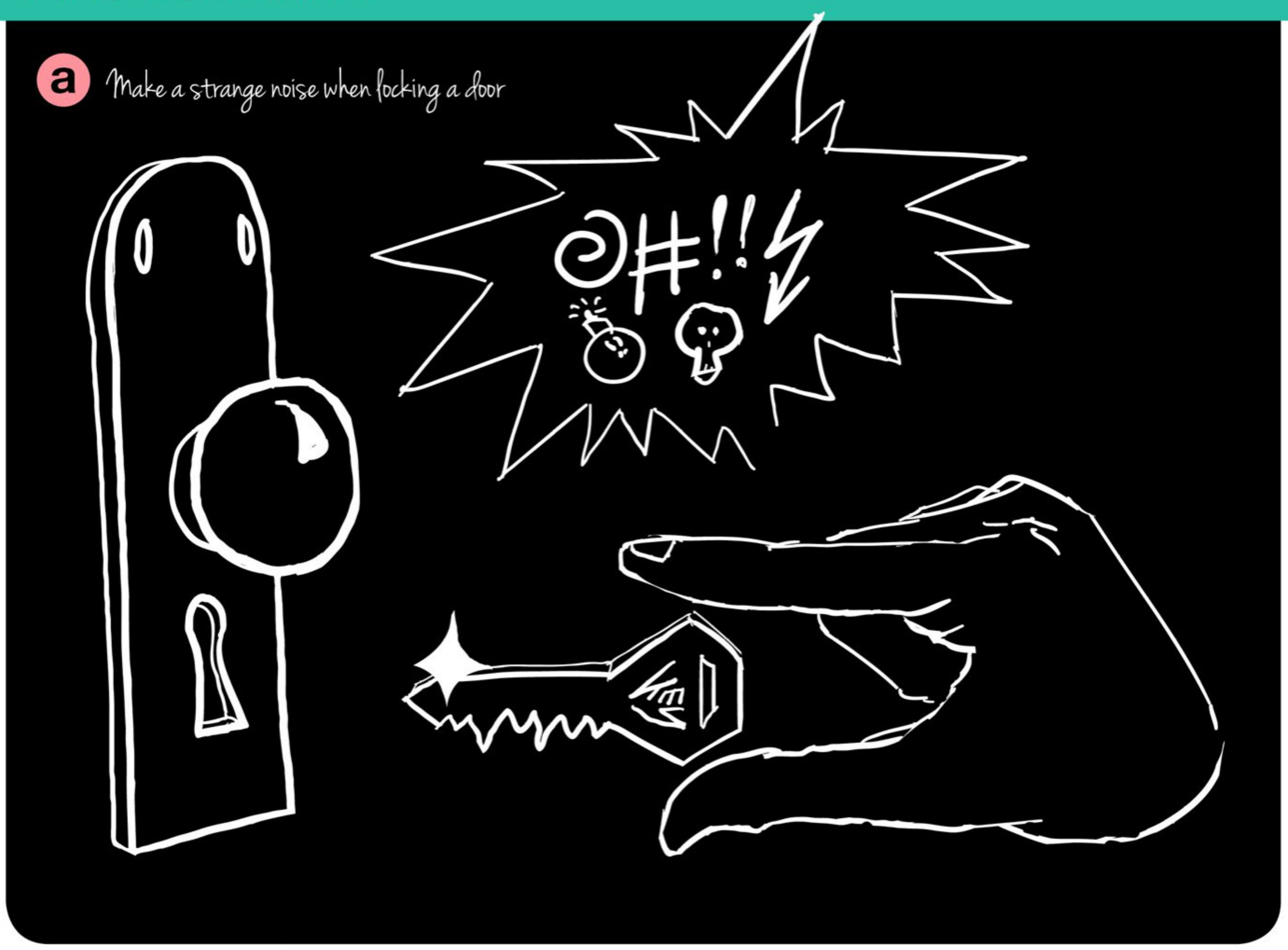
Things you need

1 YOUR IMAGINATION



Step-by-step instrucitons

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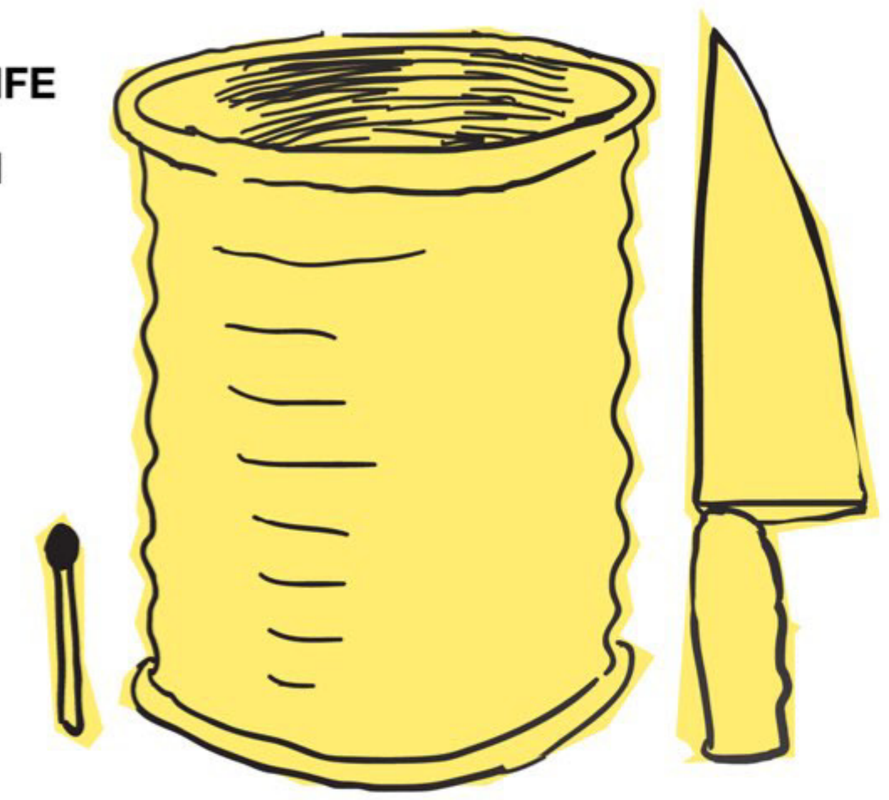


Camping Stove

Making food outdoors is always a challenge, but that just means you have to get a little creative. Check out how to make a stove:
(a) Flip the empty can upside down and cut a hole big enough for twigs and firewood. (b) Start a fire inside the can, and your camping stove will be up and running in no time.

Things you need

1. UTILITY KNIFE
2. LARGE CAN
3. MATCHES

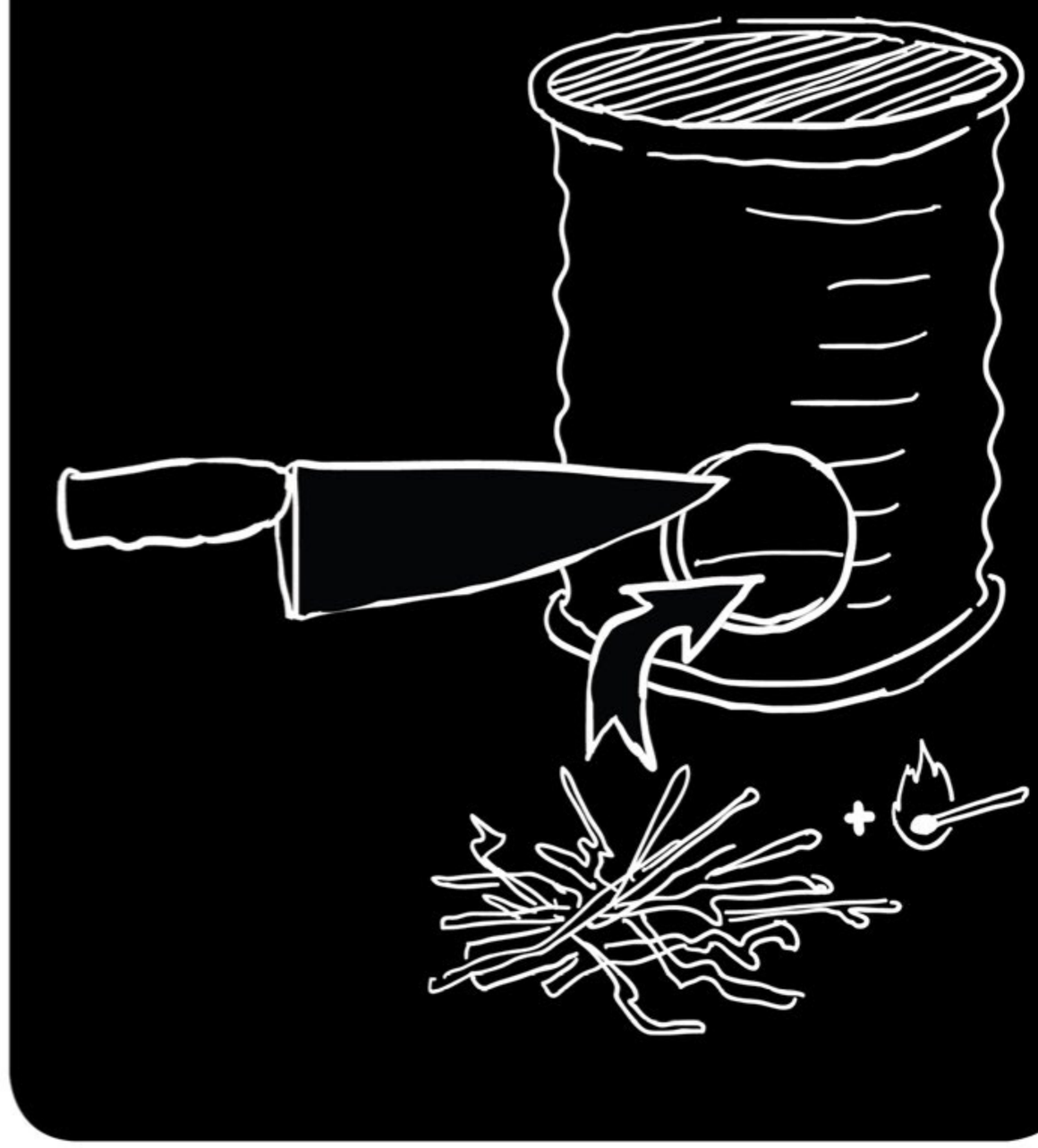


Step-by-step instrucitons

(a) Flip the can upside down and cut a hole near the bottom



(b) Start a fire inside the can



Parking Safety Mechanism

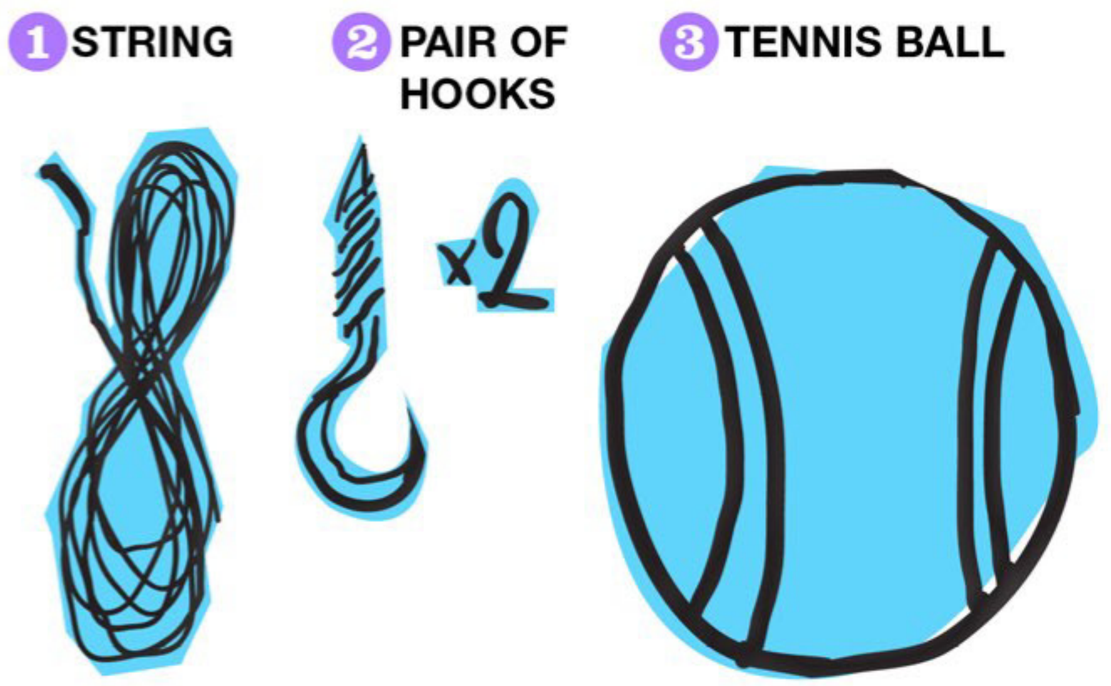
Parking can be a drag, especially at the end of the day. Add poor lighting in the garage to the mix, and you are bound to have some trouble in your life. Avoid scratching your car, or destroying your storage by following these simple steps.

a Install a hook to the ceiling directly above the windscreen of your car.

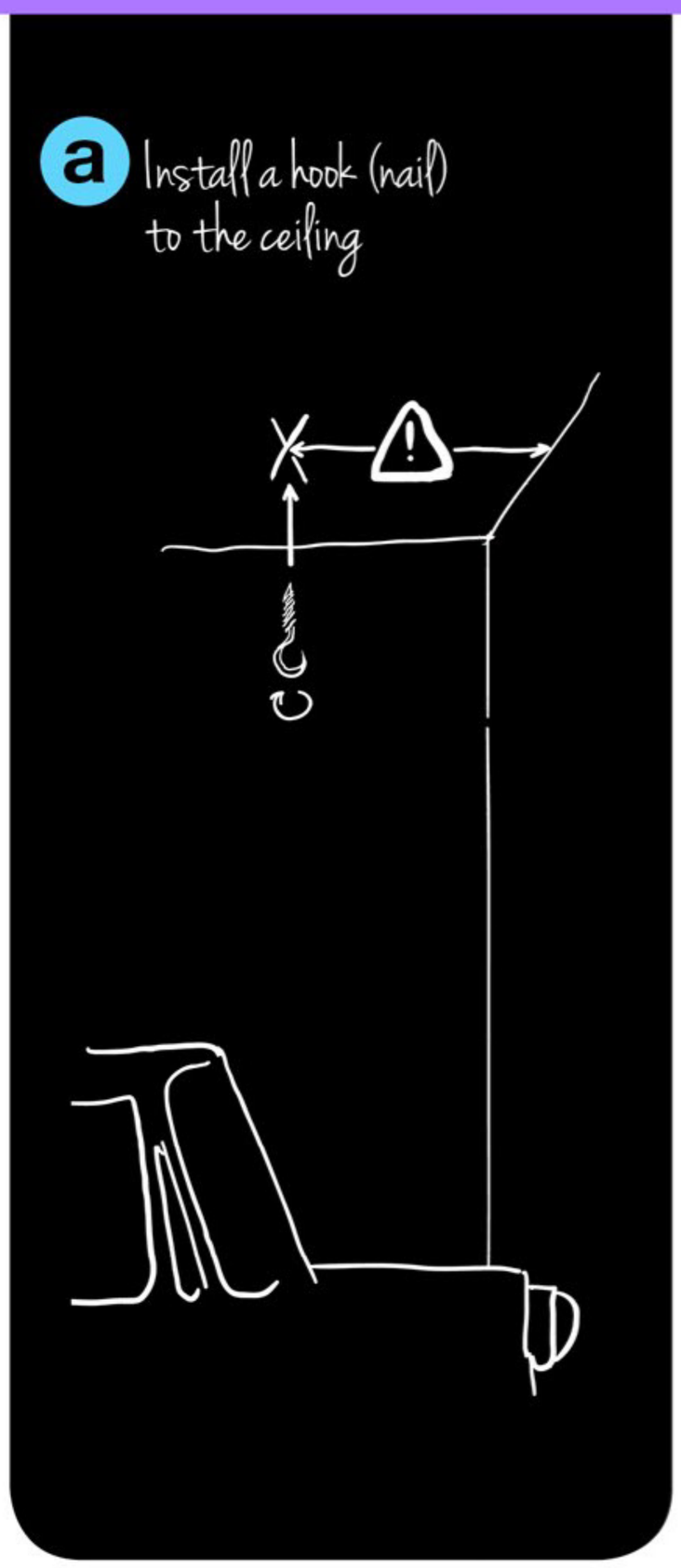
b Stick another hook into a tennis ball.

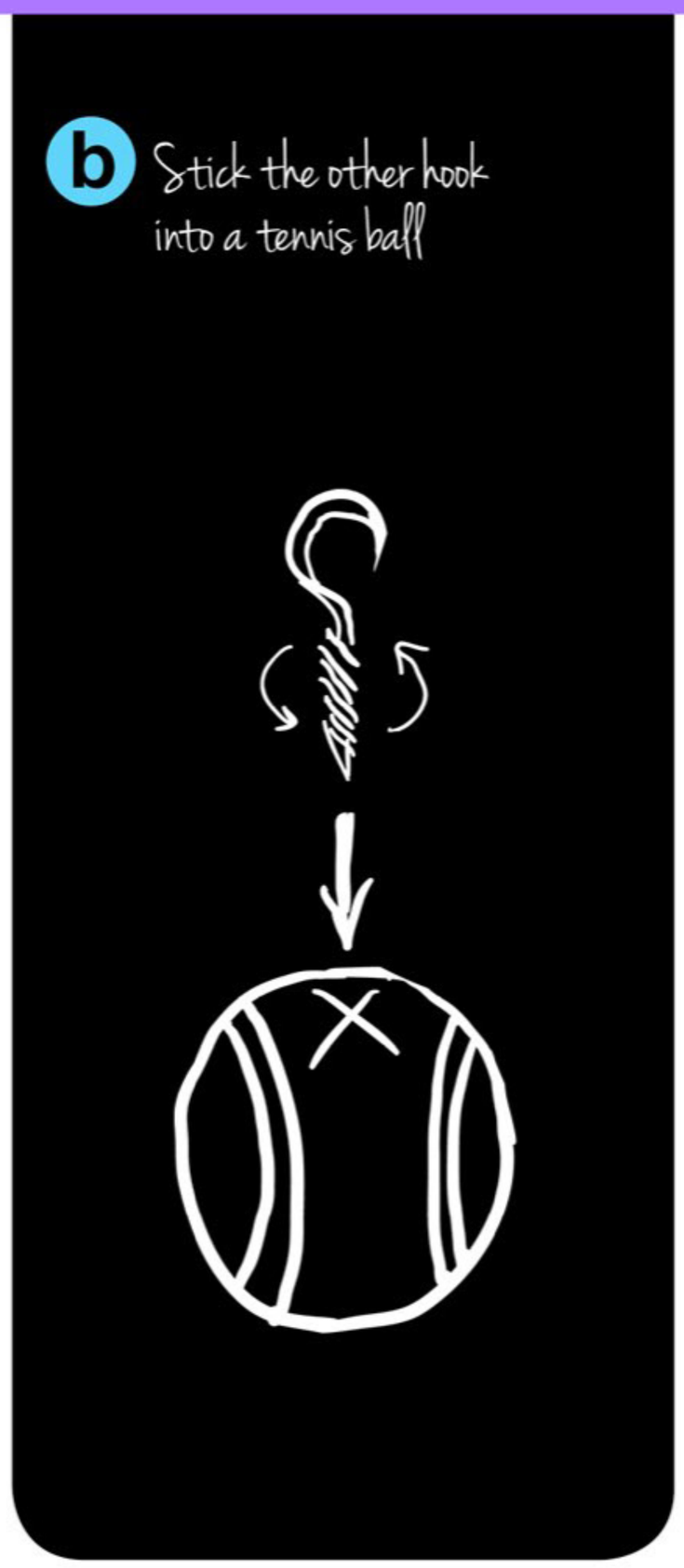
c Use a piece of string or a rope to tie the ball to the ceiling. Adjust the length of the rope so that the tennis ball hits the middle of your windscreen when you are perfectly parked.

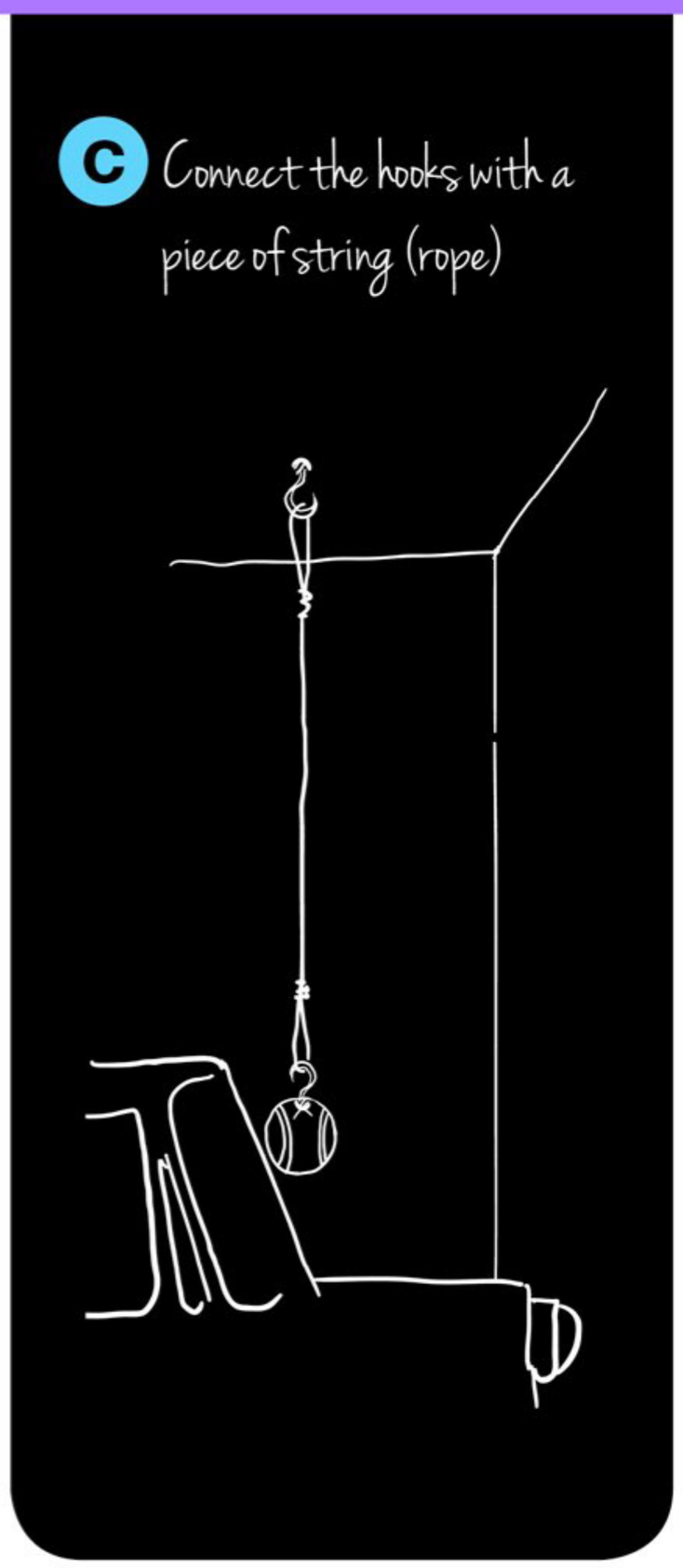
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Step-by-step instrucitons







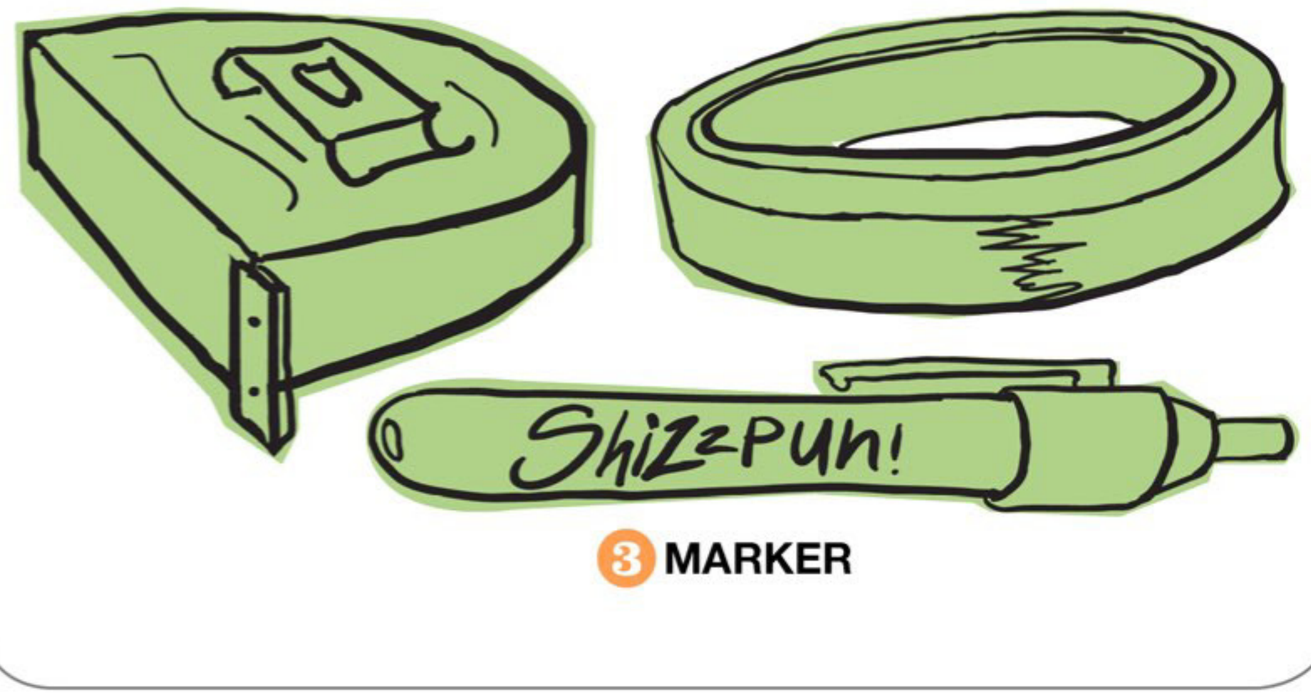
Measuring Tape Hack

You can use this great little trick to make most of your DIY efforts. This will help you make it nice, without having to measure twice.

a Stick a couple of pieces of painter's tape to one or both sides of a measuring tape.

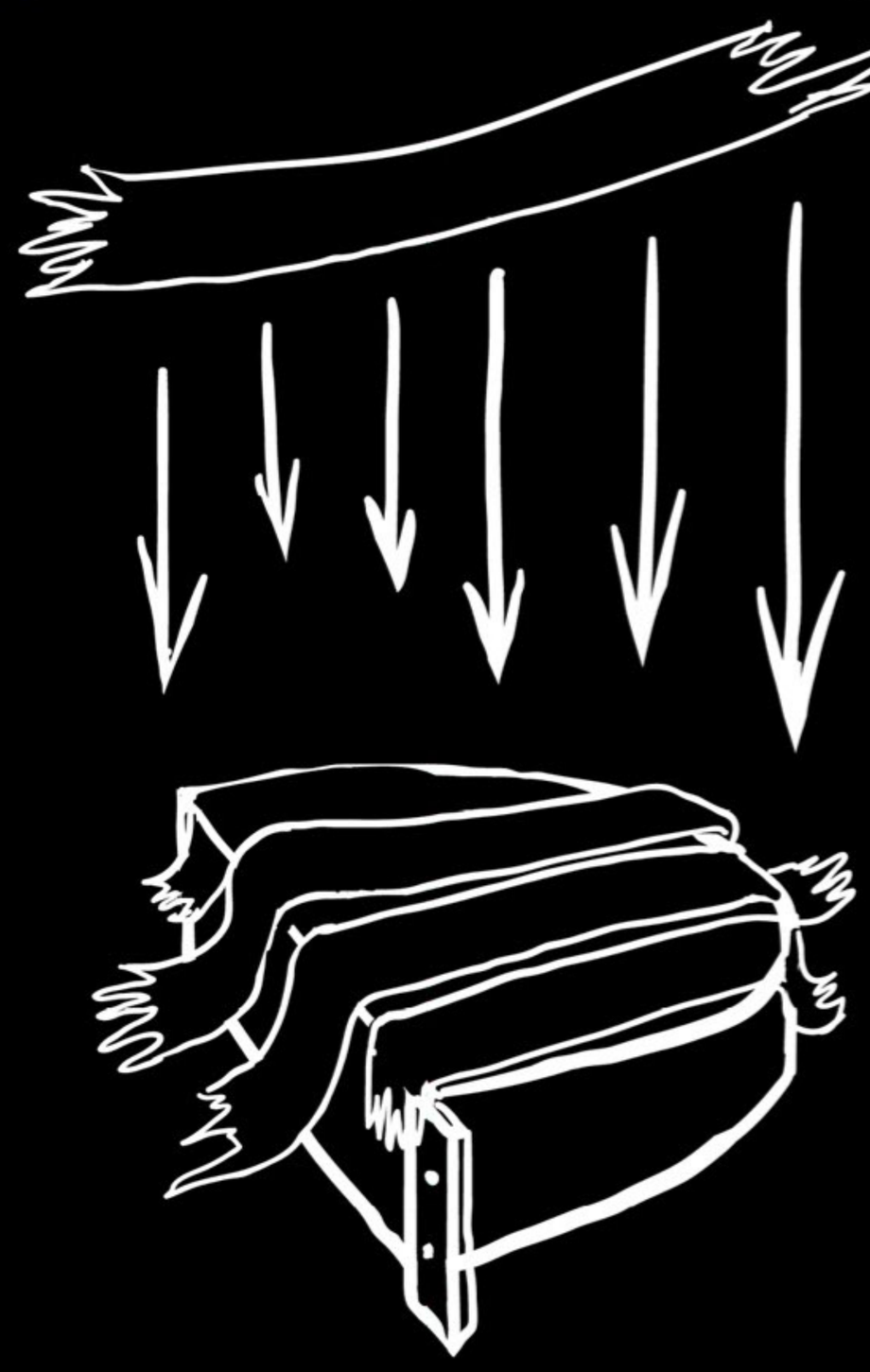
b You can use a marker pen to jot down the measures and avoid making mistakes.

Things you need

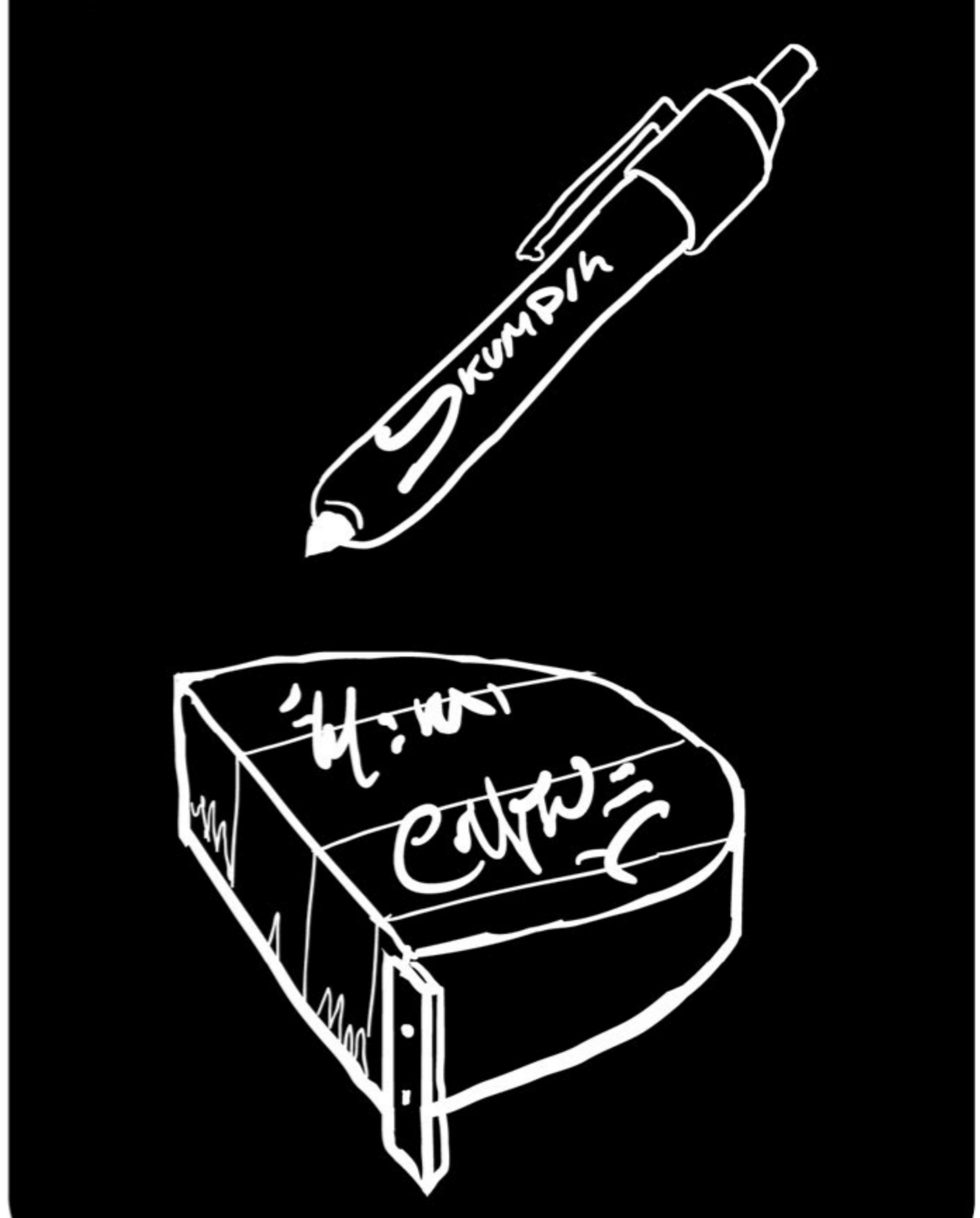


Step-by-step instrucitons

a Stick a piece of tape to the side of a measuring tape



b Take notes as soon as you have the measurements



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Full Moon Motorcycle

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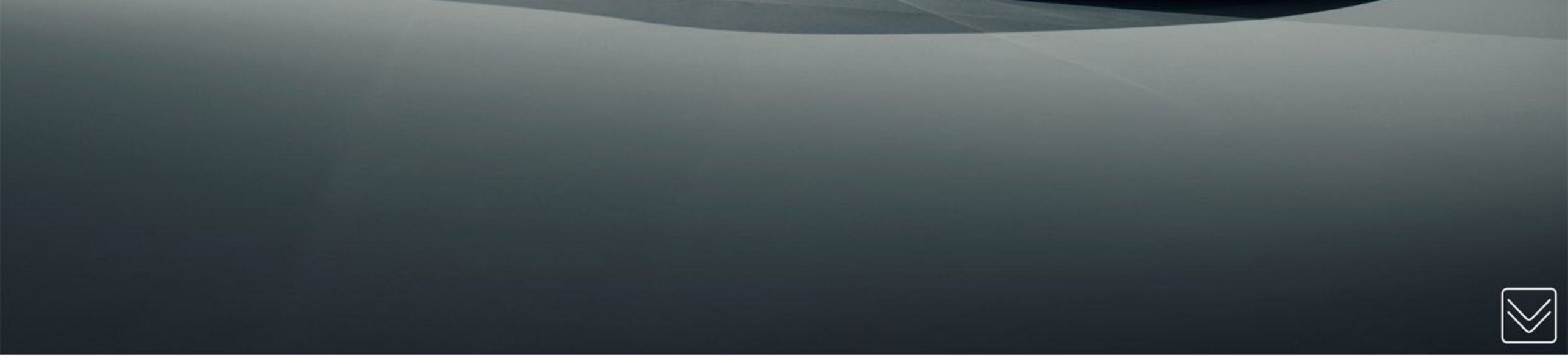
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The Aston Martin DB10

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Aston Martin, together with the producers of the James Bond film franchise, unveiled Bond's stunning new car, the Aston Martin DB10, on the 007 stage at Pinewood Studios

The luxury British sports car brand is delighted to confirm that James Bond will once again drive an Aston Martin in Spectre. On this occasion, it will be **a model developed specifically for the film and built in-house by the brand's design and engineering teams.** Led by Aston Martin Chief Creative Officer, Marek Reichman, the design team worked closely with the film's director, Sam Mendes, to create the ultimate car for the world's most famous spy.

THE DB10 GIVES A GLIMPSE TO THE FUTURE DESIGN DIRECTION FOR THE NEXT GENERATION OF ASTON MARTINS

Celebrating the great British brand's half century with Bond, which started with the iconic DB5, the DB10 gives a glimpse to the future design direction for the next generation of Aston Martins.
Production will be strictly limited to 10 of the bespoke sports cars, developed and built by the designers, engineers and highly skilled craftspeople at Aston Martin's Gaydon headquarters.

NOT FROM THIS WORLD

Full Moon Motorcycle



FULL MOON MOTORCYCLE
is like no other bike out there now,
like it's from out of this world!



This stunning new concept has been **developed with the assistance of Slovenian Dreamachine Motorcycles** - the same partnership that produced the legendary Morsus back in 2011. Like its predecessor, the Full Moon is an **extravagant, technically exceptional,** promotional bike from Akrapovic

Designed to be a continuation of the Morsus story, the Full Moon has a personality and characteristics completely different from its predecessor and has been **designed to excite anyone** that might not have been impressed by Akrapovic's first prototype machine-if that were at all possible!
This concept machine was developed to avoid being categorized, and as such is **a bike that belongs nowhere and everywhere,** making it a unique motorcycle. The name comes from the huge aluminum and carbon **thirty-inch front wheel,** which is completely visible, giving the impression of a full moon and making a huge statement of what this bike is about. Over eight hundred hours went into creating this superbly finished machine, which features an **S&S Knucklehead 1,524 cc engine** and **two modified custom-made Akrapovic exhausts.** The frame and bodywork are made entirely of sheet metal and form an extension to the exhausts. The bodywork is thus part of the Akrapovic exhaust system-an integral part, in fact-and the bike itself is essentially an exhaust.

THIS IS AN **EXTREMELY TECHNICALLY ADVANCED MOTORCYCLE,** FULL OF UNIQUE ELEMENTS THAT WERE CAREFULLY CHOSEN TO MAKE THE BIKE **TOTALLY EXCLUSIVE**

The thirty-inch composite wheel is not found on other custom bikes, and another innovation is a composite braking disc, also unseen in this size on motorcycles until now. **The steering is completely automated, which allows a minimalist steering rod without any visible cables that would otherwise be required for the bike to function.** The Full Moon can also stand upright when parked, courtesy of its hydraulic suspension. This is an extremely technically advanced motorcycle, full of unique elements that were carefully chosen to make the bike totally exclusive, and the shape hides completely new solutions used on a custom bike for the first time. **The Full Moon is like no other bike out there now, like it's from out of this world!**



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HIS MAJESTY, THE BED
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The Last Samurai
Akira Kurosawa

The Last Samurai

All good men are alike, but each man is mean in his own way. These words could be used to describe the work of the great Japanese director, Akira Kurosawa. In the age of dying and purification, with his movies he started his pilgrimage in search of the Man. Finally, he found him. He found himself.

"BEING AN ARTIST MEANS NOT HAVING TO AVERT ONE'S EYES"

Akira Kurosawa

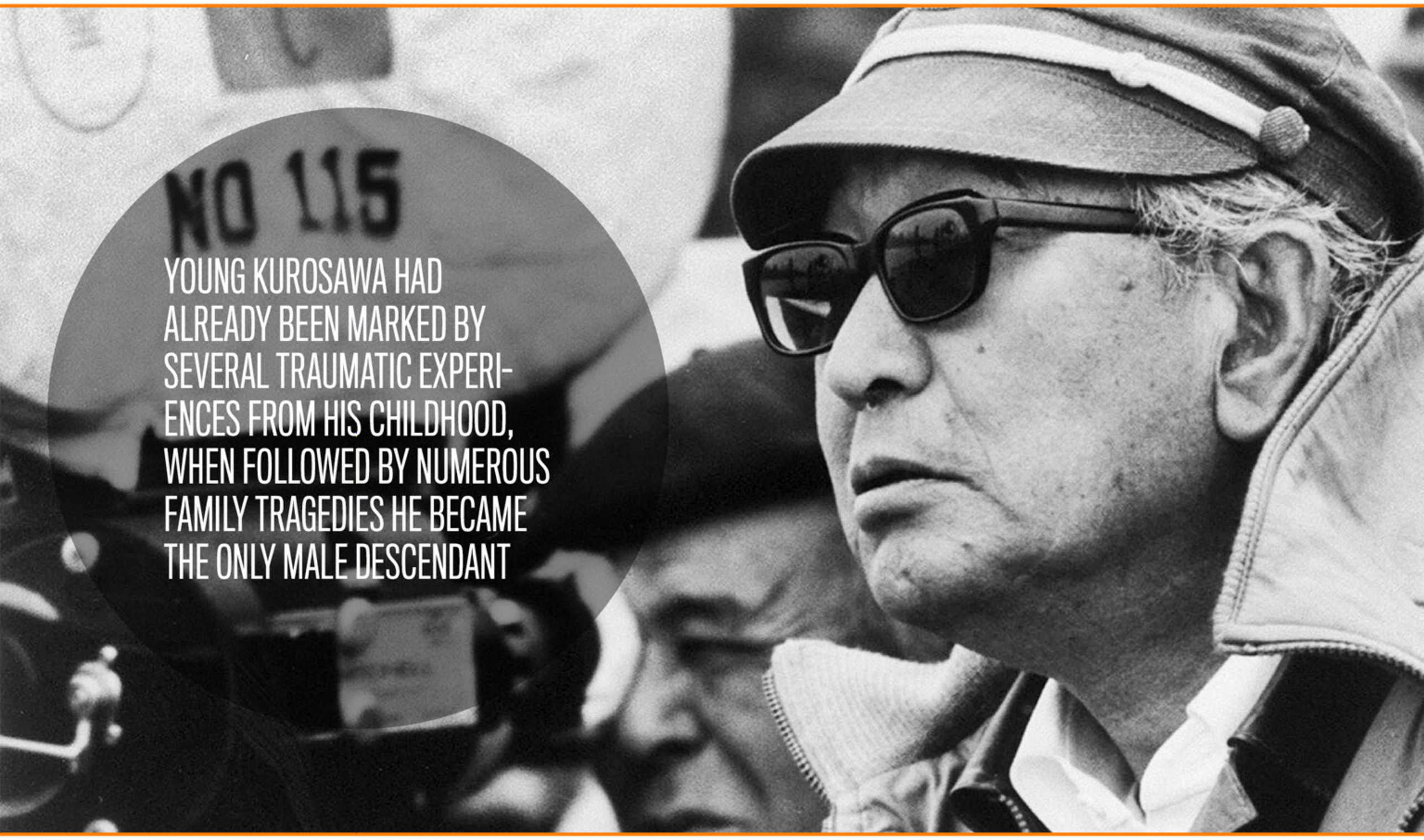


by: Aaron U. Isakowych

A director, a screen-writer, a novelist, a producer, a visionary, a forensic of the human-kind, the creator of the visual philosophy, the modern samurai of art, the bridge between the East and the West, the eternal rebel. Kurosawa is all this and much more, owing to about 30 movies that have changed the perception towards the movies of the Far East, while placing the Japanese cinematography at the top of the world cultural heritage. Referred to as the Emperor in his homeland, **Kurosawa was born in 1910 in the part of Tokyo called Omori**. This era of the Japanese empire was fruitful, with a greater contact with the western countries, which was generally established around art. Later, as a grown man, Akira went on to become one of the firmest links between Japan and the West. **His father was one of the members of a former samurai family,** which proved to be of crucial importance to Akira's life – he had embedded much of this family history into his films, which dealt with the secret and rebellious lives of the samurais and the philosophical questions of their struggles.

HIS FATHER WAS ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF A FORMER SAMURAI FAMILY, WHICH PROVED TO BE OF CRUCIAL IMPORTANCE TO AKIRA'S LIFE

Young Kurosawa had already been marked by several traumatic experiences from his childhood, **when followed by numerous family tragedies he became the only male descendant.**
He was especially close to one of his brothers, Heigo. At one particular occasion, his older brother took him to see the consequences of the 1923 Tokyo earthquake, and made him look at the devastation, death, ruins and dead bodies of people and animals, wanting him to face his fears. **Many biographers note this event as the reason behind Kurosawa's unshakable and durable nature, which made him seek the meaning of life through moving pictures.**
Art and calligraphy were his great interests before cinema. These forms of art enabled him to sharpen and perfect his point of view in order to create his own visual signature by filming. Owing to the combination of literature, theatre, martial arts, and traditional Japanese narrative patterns together with modern language, **he became the great pioneer of performance**, with a goal to strip the man to his core.



HIS FIRST MOVIES WERE PRODUCED DURING THE WORLD WAR II, RIGHT AFTER THE ARRIVAL OF THE ALLY FORCES



Seven Samurai
1954.

His contribution to the world cinematography is immense and his influence on art immeasurable. **At the beginning of his career as a director, he had fallen out with the authorities.** Knowing both the Japanese and the Western cinematography, he believed that the former did not ask for corrections, because its mistakes were fundamental, and therefore unchangeable. Thus, he had suggested on numerous occasions that the whole film industry be transformed from the roots. He did succeed at this immediately, with **his first movie (Sanshiro Sugata).**
His first movies were produced during the World War II, right after the arrival of the ally forces. The uncertain times served as the source of ideas and a constant inspiration for Kurosawa. His ingenuity had at all times and under all circumstances caused reactions.

Being always censored for his manner and content of speech, forced him to spend most of his filming time on fighting against hypocrisy. **A true paradox to his position in the world is the film The Men Who Tread on the Tiger's Tail from 1946,** which was primarily denied by the empire censorship as overly-western, in order to become

AN UNAVOIDABLE THEME IN HIS MOVIES WAS ALWAYS THE CHAOS AROUND OR WITHIN THE PEOPLE

overly-feudal once the allies had arrived. **The confusing views of the authorities serve as a proof of the disorder in which the nation had been living.**

An unavoidable theme in his movies was always the chaos around or within the people. **His aim was to help his characters find their ways in their turmoil, and not to judge them if they do not succeed.** The post-apocalyptic shadows that his characters go through were their humanoid purgatories. Each of the characters reminisces their human roots and tries to reveal them, although they are surrounded by an overall devastation. **Bare humanity in all its humility and distortion, vulgarity and tragedy – the minimalism of the Far East filled with human imagination**, where everything is changed and enlarged to the extremes. **Kurosawa questions the Man**, placing him in almost experimental conditions, allowing him to surprise and disgust us.



Akira Kurosawa, Francis Ford Coppola, and George Lucas
1980.

The after-war Japan is a mass of confused souls forced to face the dark past, and break up with the mass demagogy and grandiosity. **He bullies his characters to be individualists and find their place in the puzzle full of violence, post-nuclear fear, tuberculosis, syphilis, alcoholism, murders, rapes, war, gang conflicts, larceny, savagery, perjury, terror, radioactive ghosts.** This puzzling world does not have to be the one to live in. It can be the world of samurais, satirically brought to the edges of doom, a step away from the destruction of the whole civilization. **Interweaving the past and the present, the question is: "Why can't people function together?"**

The greatness of Kurosawa can be seen in the adaptation of the two masterpieces – **Rashomon**, based on the motives from the two modern short stories of the Japanese author Ryonosuke Akutagawa, which won him a **Golden Lion in Venice and changed the contemporary art forever**; and **The Idiot**, **based on F.M. Dostoyevsky's novel**, which was quite badly marked by the public. What seems quite symptomatic is the fact that Rashomon was accepted and The Idiot rejected considering the fact that they dealt with diametrically opposite moral extremes of men.

His art was not portrayed only by devastated and destroyed characters, but also by the scenography, which **mixed the beauty and violence, birth and death, natural creation and human destruction.** The struggle between good and evil is made absurd by a man's flickering spirit which can betray own ideals under pressure, and stumble morally for the sake of a temporary profit.

Akira Kurosawa has certainly inspired modern art and was reasonably considered the genius of film. The movies such as **Drunken Angel**, **Seven Samurai, Ikiru, Kagemusha and Ran, are at the top of the world cinematography.** Adored and disrespected, questioned, misunderstood, canonized and anathematized, Kurosawa undoubtedly was and still is one of the greatest. **One of the samurais of the movie cinematography.**

KUROSAWA QUESTIONS THE MAN, PLACING HIM IN ALMOST EXPERIMENTAL CONDITIONS, ALLOWING HIM TO SURPRISE AND DISGUST US

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100 YEARS OLD CHRISTMAS MIRACLE

THEY ALWAYS SAY THAT CHRISTMAS IS WHEN THE UNUSUAL HAPPENS. IT IS THAT TIME OF YEAR WHEN UNCOMMON GOOD DEEDS ARE DONE AND WHEN CERTAIN EVENTS BECOME SO MAGICAL AND UNREAL THAT WE CAN ONLY EXPLAIN THEM BY SAYING "WELL, IT'S CHRISTMAS, ISN'T IT?".

by: Lola Sullivan

One century ago on Christmas Eve and Day, one such thing did happen, although it is often referred to as just a myth or a Christmas legend. However, the ones who had participated said that the event had in fact occurred, but it might have been a tiny bit beautified over the last hundred years.

Let's get to the point:
The World War I was raging, and the December of 1914 was not a particularly festive month that year, but somewhere around Ypres, Belgium, what started as a normal day on the front, ended as an unexpectedly peaceful Christmas Eve. The holiday season did touch the souls of the English and German soldiers that night, who on this particular occasion decided to stop fighting and put their guns down in order to sing along to their beloved Christmas carols together and exchange the little festive food they had. This continued

onto the Christmas Day, and some say this dreamlike event brought the two armies together as people, not as soldiers. During these two days along the 27-mile-long front the German and British soldiers exchanged drinks and sweets they had been keeping for Christmas, together they sang and ate and even helped their wounded men together.

SOME SAY THIS DREAMLIKE EVENT BROUGHT THE TWO ARMIES TOGETHER AS PEOPLE, NOT AS SOLDIERS.



What many do not believe is the instance when the troops joined to play football together, which might as well have been a fictional detail inserted somewhere along the acts of storytelling. For most of the soldiers this is where the story ends, after the Christmas Day the spirit of the holidays had already vanished, since such were the orders. In some areas the Christmas Truce had extended onto the Boxing Day and New Year's, but this did not change the fact that the war 'had to' go on despite the reluctance of these hopeful men.

Whatever the details, the Christmas Truce was a true historical event, with or without the football or the exchange of cigarettes and chocolate, the magic of Christmas did bring a war to an end, at least for two days.



MANIC BUCKET LIST

TO DO THIS MONTH



JANUARY

7. Find your own Mina and **make her your countess**

4. Binge watch **Sherlock**

8. Become a new **Alfred Nobel.** Invent some-thing! A robotic squirrel that collects radio-active acorns for example.

1. Buy a **Sumatran wild cat** and make it poop you the most expensive coffee

5. **Find your field of inter-est** and invent at least 10 new ways to improve that particular thing.

10. **Make chila-quiles** and in-vite your girlfriend for a nice, home-made meal.

2. Watch at least one **Bonnie Rot-ten's** movie with both of your hands above the blanket

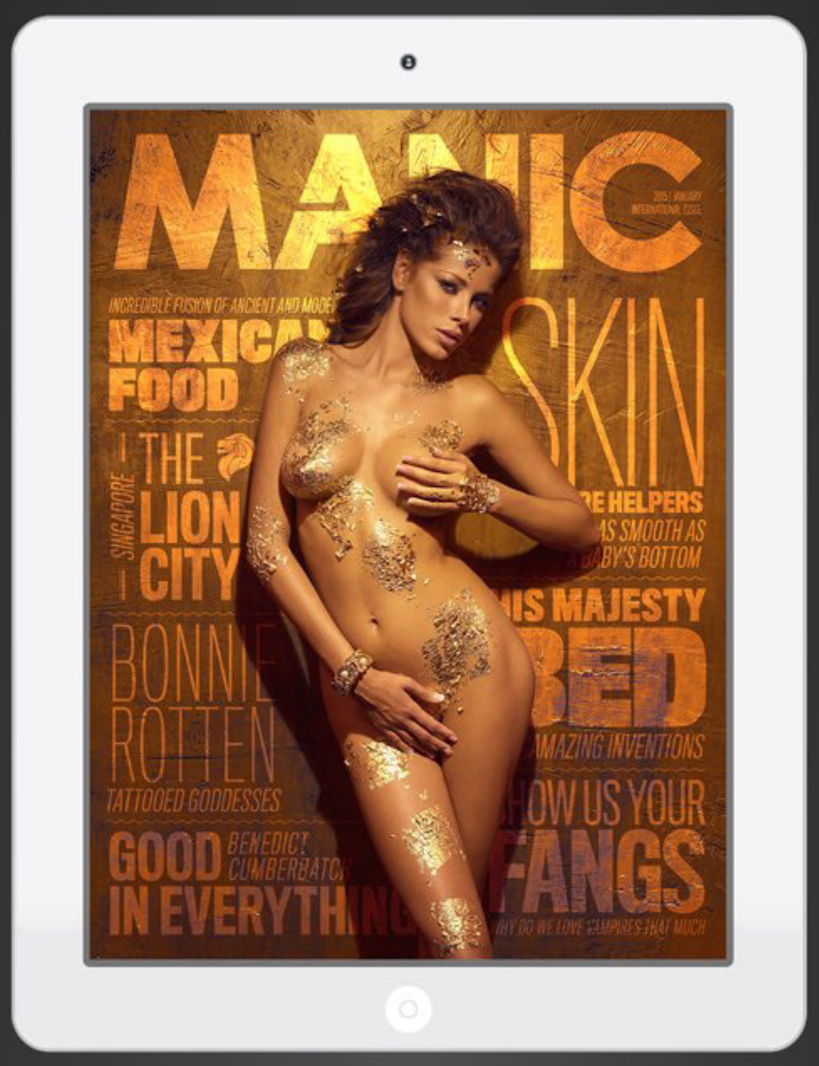
6. Find your **new haistyle** and go for it. We recommend Man Bun.

11. **Snowboard** like a pro that is Anna Gasser.

3. Buy a **pull up bar** and try to master all the exercises there are

9. Go to **Singa-pore** and try to take a picture of the world's biggest bat.

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