

Go glam in Abu Dhabi



IT'S WINTER in Abu Dhabi, so the often-searing heat has been reduced to a more comfortable 18-25 degrees C. Temperatures are similar to high-summer days in Auckland. This luckily makes for lightweight packing. But if you really want to get into the groove of one of the world's most glamorous destinations, it might be necessary to add into the mix a few kilos of sequins, beads and pretty gilt sandals to truly feel fabulous.

MAIN SHOT: Augustine swirl print silk dress with sequined trim (\$285). Triple chain necklace (\$79) from Shellshock. Sergio Rossi sandals (\$1650) from Ashley Ardrey
CLOCKWISE FROM TOP RIGHT: Trelise Cooper sequined dress (\$975). Top Shop jersey dress with futuristic print (\$145) from The Department Store. Silk and Steel onyx and

To prepare, head out now to snap up any designer bargains from the summer sales. Throw caution to the wind as hot colours and bold patterns all sit well in exotic Arab cities. Make sure garments are not too revealing though, as this does not go down too well with the locals. Pack a selection of gorgeous dresses, a great bikini or swimsuit for poolside glamour and some comfortable patterned pants and loose tops for travelling in. ☺

diamante necklace (\$750). Moochi sheer georgette top (\$179.99). Isabel Marant printed silk trousers (\$495) from Fabric. Multicolour stone necklace (\$79) from Shellshock. Nood flexible plastic scarlet suitcase (\$239.99). Floral handbag decorated with beads (\$149) from Augustine. Jets beaded bikini (\$595) from Hot Body.

