

## FENDI Men's Fall/Winter 2023-24 Collection

Cozy, sexy, cool. Designed by Silvia Venturini Fendi, Artistic Director of Accessories and Menswear, the FENDI Men's Fall/Winter 2023-24 collection is the ultimate study of sophisticated comfort, the opulence of the everyday, and the elegance of the unexpected.

With a subverted classicism inherent to the FENDI name, expressions of shimmer and shine are embedded in a landscape of sartorial experimentation. *Trompe l'oeil* clothes that trick the eye are the result of dynamic workmanship — house codes twisted to create new gestures of plush texture and patina. By exploring the decadence of the city and the lights that sparkle after dark, lines are blurred between tough and traditional menswear silhouettes with a new soignée allure. Asymmetry and volume infuse the sartorial wardrobe with geometry and movement, revealing layers of craftsmanship and flashes of skin. Celebrating the hallmarks of FENDI materiality, double-faced (and reversible) cashmere, engineered leathers and jacquard silks are illuminated by the disco ball hues of silver, indigo and violet. They lift a sober palette that undulates between shades of dove grey, oatmeal, burnt umber, mocha, mauve, lavender, deep navy and black.

Unfolding in parallel gestures throughout, cocooning outerwear plays against the sensuality of languid knits and deconstructed shirting to question the boundaries of utility and artifice. Closed with *O'Lock* zippers, blanket coats and ponchos swaddle ribbed cashmere track separates; sweater vests fall off the shoulder; fluid trousers are cut with a draped skirt. Double-breasted overcoats featuring satin lapels, fringed hems or a scattering of metallic appliqué *en tremblant* offer purity and rigour amidst layered silhouettes. Mélange textures abound from camel hair jersey to Shetland wool flannel, sprayed shearling and FF fleece, as shadow effects create antique finishes in waxed and burnished leather or overdyed denim. Disappearing into geometric abstraction, the FENDI *astuccio* motif is reimagined as *FENDI Shadow*, a larger-than-life logo woven into mohair scarves, blankets, fringed linings and 'pinstripe' tailoring. The effect is of a subtle extravagance: the FENDI man in his element on the streets, at home, or on the dancefloor.

The FENDI Men's Fall/Winter 2023-24 accessories collection is infused with a playful glamour, exploring the season's hybrid formality with a heightened precision. The *Peekaboo* evolves with bold metallic strap hardware, sprayed shearling or harness detailing, and the *Baguette* is revisited in burnished leather with all-over utility pockets. In a soft folding gesture, a new hobo satchel is finished in *FENDI Shadow* suede or grained leather, and woven FF cashmere bucket bags hold fringed blankets. On the new *Chiodo* backpack, ergonomic straps pivot on a metallic hinge, creating a futuristic design statement when paired with the *FENDI Shadow* black leather.

On foot, a slotted F logo heel features on chiseled Cuban heel boots, *FENDI Frame* moccasins and lace-up derbies, as the *FENDI Flow* sneakers return with scuba, mesh and transparent detailing.

Designed by Delfina Delettrez Fendi, FENDI Artistic Director of Jewelry, the season's jewelry interprets the *FENDI Shadow,* in engraved cuffs, chains and squared pendants. Interlocked F motifs create pendant earrings and graphic chain necklaces, whilst the *O'Lock* device adorns a new round wristwatch with a double dial.

The FENDI Men's Fall/Winter 2023-34 fashion show sees the House headquarter in Milan transformed into a giant roller disco pinball machine, with a custom disco soundtrack entitled "After Dark", specifically created by the legendary Italian composer and producer Giorgio Moroder. This unique soundtrack includes new compositions and culminates in a new version of the iconic disco hit "I Feel Love" (1977, music by Giorgio Moroder, lyrics by Donna Summer and Pete Bellotte), perpetuating the FENDI tradition of collaboration with the Italian electronic music scene.