

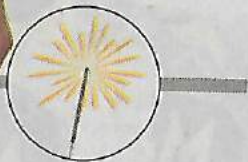
BABY, YOU'RE A *fire starter*

While bursting firecrackers is now objectionable, what with their hazardous impact on health and environment, you could do the next best thing—dress like a firecracker

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Bang, whoosh, crackle, hiss, sputter, whizz—imagine Diwali without firecrackers. It's not quite the festival of lights without these, is it? But our once-favourite part of the festival is steadily turning into a modern-day challenge. Between the loud blasts and smoke that leaves throats sore and eyes stinging for days after, fireworks are losing their sizzle.

This festive season we have an effective albeit whimsical solution—eschew bursting firecrackers in favour of looking like one. After all, dressing up for Diwali is a tradition just as important. Rethink the element of bling and take your cues from this list for a new look this festive season.



SILVER SURFER

Michael Kors

Metallic outfits in hues of silver and pewter are the brightest trends on the catwalk this season, and also identical to the colour of the *phooljhadi*, or sparkler. Opt for slim silhouettes like this mini dress from Michael Kors' resort 2019 line to channel the sparkler in you.

FOUNTAIN OF LIGHT

Rajesh Pratap Singh

The classic A-line cut, be it a *lehnga* set or a tea-dress, bears an unmistakable resemblance to an *anar* or fountain cracker. Rajesh



LAMÉ FASHION WEEK

Lacroix by Cecil Purnell

This timepiece is a design marvel; the tourbillon is within a white gold case paved with diamonds. The diamond setting of the pieces is distinctive, making each watch unique.



Cartier Révélation D'une Panthère Watch

The panther motif on the watch is made of gold beads within a pink gold case with 44 brilliant-cut diamonds.



Laurent Ferrier Galet Secret Serti Sapphire

The top dial on this watch turns 240 degrees like a fan to reveal a second dial with baguette-cut diamonds and sapphires.

A GIFT OF TIME

BLAZE OF GLORY



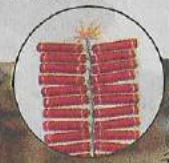
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STRING CRACKER

Shivan & Narresh
A head-to-toe red ensemble cinched at the waist is an instant reminder of the typically Indian *ladi* crackers. Skip staple Indianwear for a statement jumpsuit, like this Spring/Summer 2019 Shivan & Narresh number.



BICI



IWC Schaffhausen Da Vinci Automatic Moon Phase 36 Years Edition 150

Marking the brand's return to jewelled watches, this features 206 diamonds on a red gold case.

Corum Golden Bridge Round 39

Corum's iconic design gets an update with a white gold dial and diamonds.

Rado DiaMaster Diamonds

This ceramic and leather watch has a mother of pearl centre surrounded