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ADAM & LOAH

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Being a vagabond might sound like lonely business, but there's nothing solitary about it. We are always a We. Never an I. Never a Me. What is true inspiration? No matter how many catwalks, museums or concerts we visit – what really inspires us are the many people we meet from all corners of the world, individuals with ideas, style and unique stories. Together with others, ideas are tested, reinforced and loved. We believe that it is in these human relationships where creativity can come alive and bloom. This season we have been intrigued by three couples who define and strengthen each other. Go viral if you like, but nothing ever compares to real-life relationships.



GAIA & ANANIA

“She is my *mirror*, so I never walk alone. We’re always *together* and she means everything to me and *vice versa*.”

Nothing exemplifies togetherness more than family; the bond of blood that ties siblings together, regardless of where they live. And with Gaia and Anania, sisterhood is a continual source of strength, comfort and support. They’re different people with strong individual personalities, but together they want the same things in life - to dance, sing and laugh.

Where were you born?

GAIA - I was born in a small, cute and empty city called Montaigu, in Western France, with green all around. ANANIA - Montaigu, with my sister.

What does living in Paris mean to you?

GAIA - Well, freedom and independence. ANANIA - Although it's the capital, and is fantastic, being in Paris doesn't really fascinate me, and it's not essential. I don't feel the need to be there to be happy.

Not all siblings are so close. Could you live in separate cities?

GAIA - I know so many people without any siblings. And I could not imagine myself without them. It's beautiful because even if we are living far from each other (including my brother) it's like we're always together. We are so connected.

Do you share similar taste in music and fashion?

GAIA - Music? Yes. We share the same taste. I like what she likes and every day we share new discoveries. We wanna dance, move and sing; we want craziness and FUN! With fashion, we are very different. I am much more extravagant and I don't give a f***. I just need to feel comfortable, different, simple and rock 'n' roll! ANANIA - Regarding music, I like to listen to what my sister listens to. But when it comes to fashion we don't really have the same taste. I like simple styles and Gaia is changing hers all the time.

What colour do you wear best?

GAIA - Only black and white. I think those colours fit me well, but only because I feel good with them. It's important to wear something which makes you feel better. This is the perfect balance of opposites. ANANIA - I feel that since I'm a brunette, a lot of different colours suit me, but the ones I like most are black, mustard, blue and forest green.

Do cool shoes make an outfit?

GAIA - Hahahaha, I don't even consider this a question because this is a rule, a law, an affirmation. YES, IT DOES! ANANIA - Of course, it's not an accessory, it makes the outfit!

Where do you want to go in the world?

GAIA - I would love to go to South Korea. This is a dream, a goal, a quest. It's my roots. ANANIA - Me too.

Do you have a hero? If so, who?

GAIA - Devon Aoki as a hero for her beauty. Mozart and The Clash as heroes for their “melodies”. Charles Bukowski as a hero for his words. David Lynch as a hero for his movies. But for me, my real heroes are my parents – no myth but just the saviors of my life. ANANIA - I don't really have heroes, but the person I really look up to is my mother.

How does your sister make you stronger?

GAIA - Anania makes me feel real and alive. We are a team; nobody can destroy us, nobody can step on us, nobody can separate us. She makes me stronger day after day because she trusts me, she believes in me. ANANIA - She makes me strong with her physical and mental presence. There is not a single day without me feeling proud of her. Our compassion for each other grows stronger every day; she completes my life since she is a part of me.

OUR PARIS... WHERE WE GO AND WHAT WE DO TOGETHER

G: Coffee for 6; Haussmanian apartments with fireplaces; Canal Saint Martin; Smoking outdoors, noisy streets and people in a rush; everywhere in Paris is an experience! Just walk and look – you'll see the history and feel the city everywhere.

A: Buttes Chaumont, favourite park. Le St Gervais or La Perle – perfect for a glass of wine or drink at night. Love the 11th arrondissement and favourite street Rue de la Fontaine au Roi. Chambelland, it's an amazing bakery and coffee place. Ossek Garden, Korean barbecue OFC.



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Soft leather strap slip-ins



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PETE & LORELLE

“Soulmates, that’s what we are. We have a band together, so we’re always working and on the move. A match made in heaven.”

In true modern vagabond style, Pete and Lorelle are two English expats who found each other through a twist of fate. Now they live, work and play in a band together. Inseparable. So, what’s it like living with your soulmate in the City of Light?

How did you meet, and was it long before you saw each other again?

PETE & LORELLE - We met on a spring day in London by a twist of fate. Always walking, always talking. I’d say it was only about two weeks until we saw each other again, this time in Paris.

How does Paris influence you being together?

PETE - Paris to me is a city that rarely changes, yet you can walk through the same places and always see something new. What with all the walking and talking, a place like that is pretty inspiring. LORELLE - Paris is the place where we hold some of our earliest and fondest memories. Fancy-free, roaming around, no money, no fuss. Just us.

Lou Reed described his Perfect Day in a song. How would you spend yours together?

PETE - For me, our perfect day would start with a really

good cup of a coffee, jumping in our van and driving some place we’ve never been before. We’d have our guitars and cameras with us. All we need, really. LORELLE - Sounds good to me, as long as we’re spending it together, preferably in the sun!

Which colour is essential to your style?

PETE - Black. LORELLE - Yellow... just kidding... Black.

How important are cool shoes in an outfit?

PETE - I religiously polish my shoes before I leave the house every day...so I guess they’re pretty important. They say shoes are the first thing a person notices about you right? LORELLE - A good pair of shoes means less to think about later.

Do you share a dream, if so what is it?

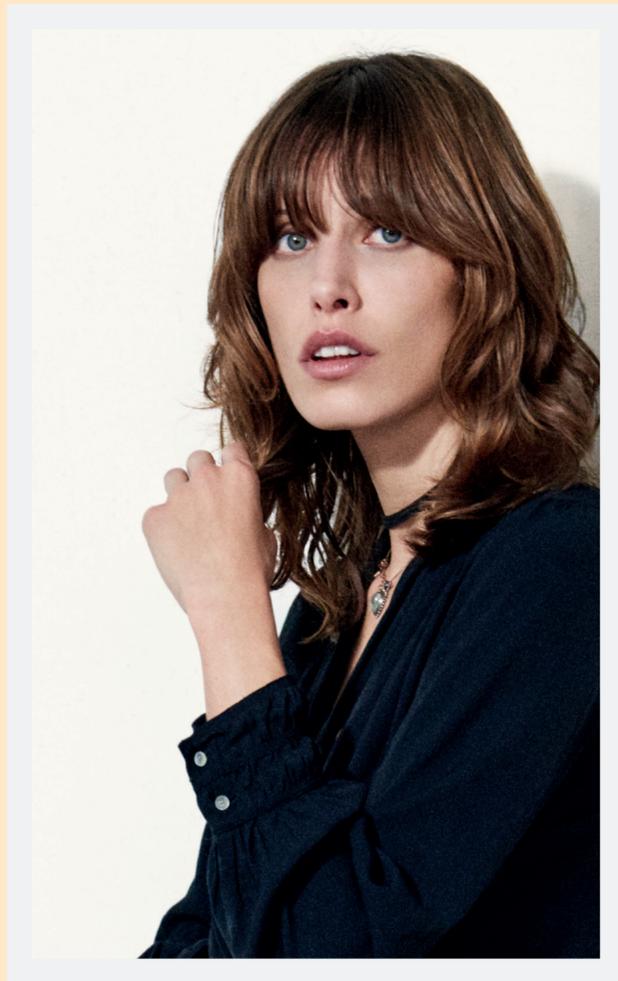
PETE - I think we have many, many dreams that we share together, our band Mara Falls being the start. That’s what keeps us walking together. LORELLE - Every day is a dream we share together.... Haha!

Who do you see as a current icon?

PETE - Trent Reznor. LORELLE - Joanna Lumley.

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P & L: UFO, La Mécanique Ondulatoire, Le China, Closerie des Lilas, Valentin’s, Le Derrier, Ave Maria... also, we found most places that have “Chez” in the name are great...



AYDEN
Leather loafers



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Suede loafers





ADAM & LOAH

“There was a magnet *pulling us together*. I remember liking him from the first evening we met in Paris. We’ve been *together ever since*.”

Young, beautiful and in love in Paris. What could be better? Adam and Loah are the typical 21st century vagabonds – effortlessly stylish, modern and always hungry for inspiration. Luckily, their setting is the most romantic city on earth, but as we’ve learned, all they really need is each other...

Where and how did you meet?

ADAM - In Paris, in the 18th district the first time, when a common friend invited us to a party.

How important is Paris for you as a couple?

ADAM - To me, it doesn't really matter as long as we're together enjoying our time. LOAH - Paris is important because it has witnessed some of the big steps in our relationship: we met here, we got our first apartment together here. But it's not essential either; we have lived and could totally live somewhere else in the future as well.

Where do you end a perfect day spent together?

ADAM - I'd say it depends on where we are, what season we're in and what's in your life at that particular moment. Right now, I'd definitely say cosy time at home, with a hot chocolate and a Netflix series! LOAH - At home, watching movies in bed!

What makes 'good style'?

ADAM - Wow, that's kind of a hard question to answer. I like

everything that's really simple but effective. I love simplicity, I think it's the hardest point to get to. LOAH - For me it's the ability to mix vintage and luxury, mix black with some colours as well.

Who is a current icon that you admire, or find inspiring?

ADAM - I love what Tony Robbins does, he's really inspiring to me. He educates people on different topics. LOAH - I wouldn't say I have one particular icon I admire, I find lots of people, and their work, inspiring; mostly in the art and fashion sectors.

The last time you cried, what was the reason?

ADAM - I don't think I remember when it was! LOAH - I think it was when we were desperate to find an apartment a few months ago and I couldn't handle it anymore, I was exhausted by all the paperwork you need to give them.

Birkin or Bardot?

ADAM - Both are really amazing, but I'll go with Bardot. LOAH - Birkin!

A cool hat, or quality shoes?

ADAM - My favourite hat that helps me feel warm in these harsh Parisian winters. LOAH - Black leather boots for sure! I never wear hats anyway.

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A: I'm a vegan so, I'd definitely say Un Monde Vegan where I am able to find the best vegan food in Paris! Also, Chambelland bakery is really amazing!

L: Because I love food and especially the crepes there: Rue de la Huchette, a street with tons of cute restaurants, located just next to Notre-Dame Cathedral.

The whole area of Saint Michel is fantastic; bookstores like Shakespeare and Company, have my heart. Plus, the bakery Mamiche in the 9th arrondissement has become my favourite one in Paris!



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