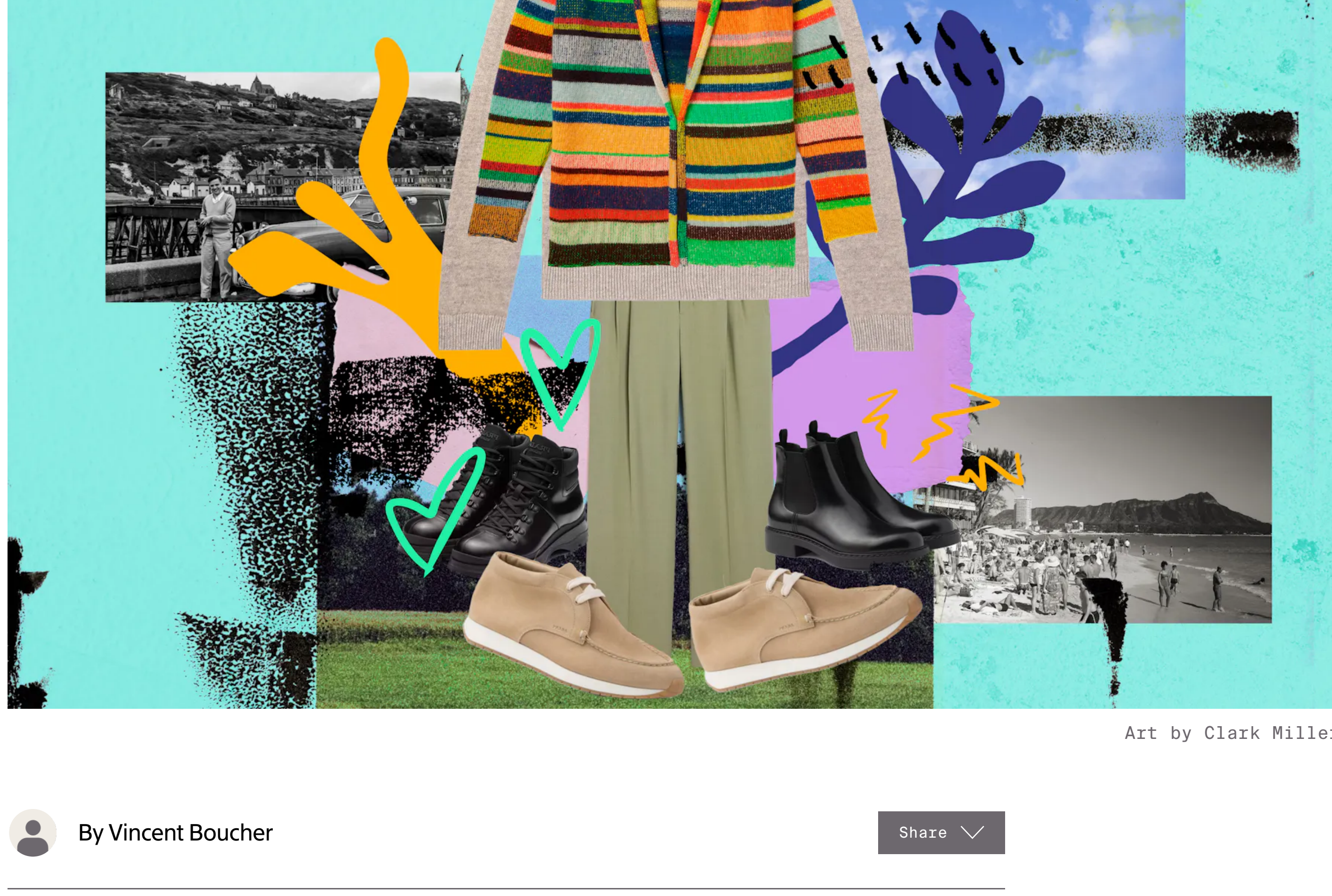


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# Life After the Hoodie: A Menswear Guide for Sun Valley and Other Networking Events

Get yourself some high-end chukkas and a cardigan with main character energy.



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“A lot of times men don’t really realize what they’re capable of pulling off,” Andrew Weitz was saying over the phone. “But the game has changed these days and if they don’t keep up with fashion, they’re going to get left behind.”

Weitz knows of what he speaks, being a noted men’s style consultant who dresses many top entertainment executives and tech savants in Los Angeles, New York and Northern California. We were talking about men’s style and how Weitz advises his male clients in what might be called the Post-Hoodie Era of Silicon Valley, where even Meta Platforms’ Mark Zuckerberg has started throwing down some fashion moves. “I want them to have a wardrobe of timeless but up-to-date styles that they can wear for a couple of years, call it quiet luxury or whatever—and then throw in something they might not expect,” he said.

Well, summer is nearly here, and along with it schmoozefests like Allen & Co.’s annual conference for the tech and media elite in Sun Valley, Idaho. If you want to make an impression there, start with a few classic pieces that have been retooled, like a half-zip pullover in a soft but airy linen-and-cashmere knit and a leaner, more refined take on the outerwear vest. Below, we’ve also added in some wild cards, like a cashmere cardigan in a clashing-colored stripe or a pair of patchwork trousers that embrace the current artisanal craft trend. And, hey, why not round things out with a buttery leather chukka. The Allbirds deserve a rest.

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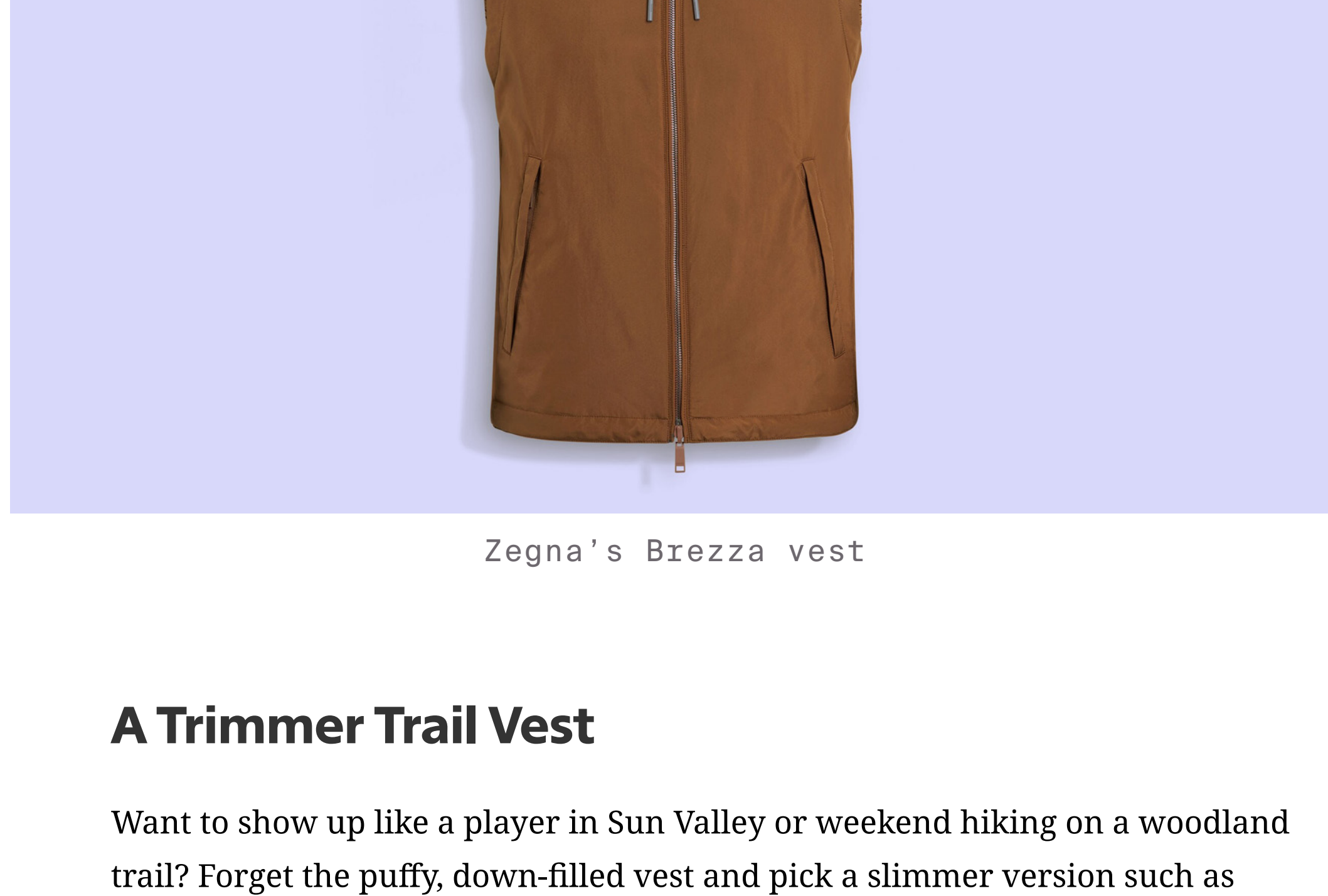
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The Elder Statesman cardigan

## Cardigans With Main Character Energy

A lofty cashmere sweater kicks the season off in style whether you’re on a windy yacht or spending a cool evening on dry land. The **Elder Statesman peppers its shawl-collar cardigan (\$2,395)** with rollicking stripes that stand out from the crowd. For another versatile statement piece, look to **Gabriela Hearst’s slim-fit cashmere cardigan (\$3,600)** in a space-dye pattern. And **Sacai** offers a witty play on trad style with a shaggy oversized **Fair Isle (\$1,060)** in a bold apple green mix.



Zegna’s Brezza vest

## A Trimmer Trail Vest

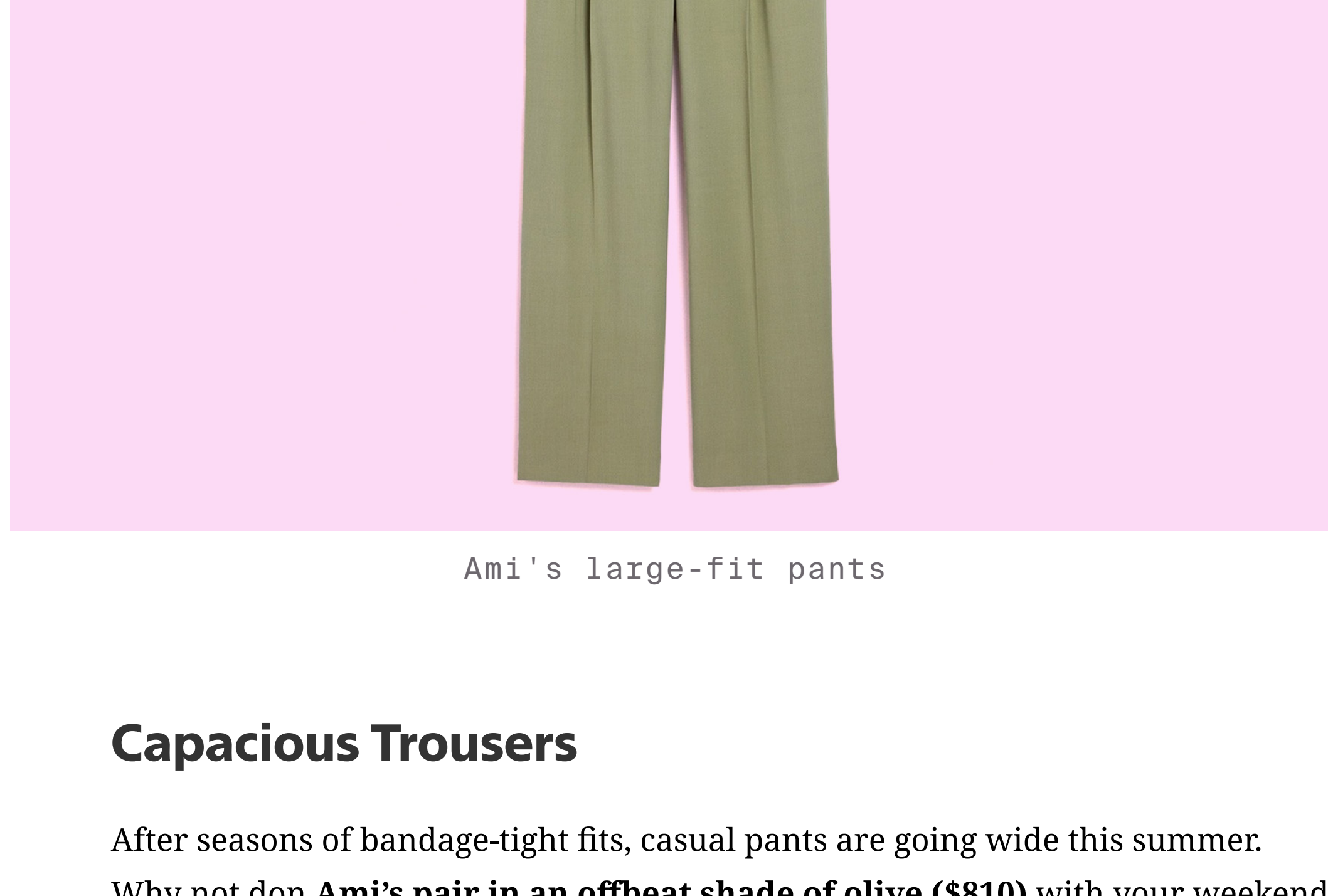
Want to show up like a player in Sun Valley or weekend hiking on a woodland trail? Forget the puffy, down-filled vest and pick a slimmer version such as **Zegna’s zip-front Brezza (\$2,350)** that reverses from weatherproof microfiber to a cozy cashmere blend jersey. If you’re sticking to down, **Herno** offers a sleek alternative in a **padded-front shell (\$750)** in a luxe silk and wool blend. And if you’re looking for a style that’s city-wise, go no further than **Tom Ford’s lightly quilted gilet with leather trim (\$3,250)**.



Massimo Alba’s half-zip sweater

## Flaxen Knitwear

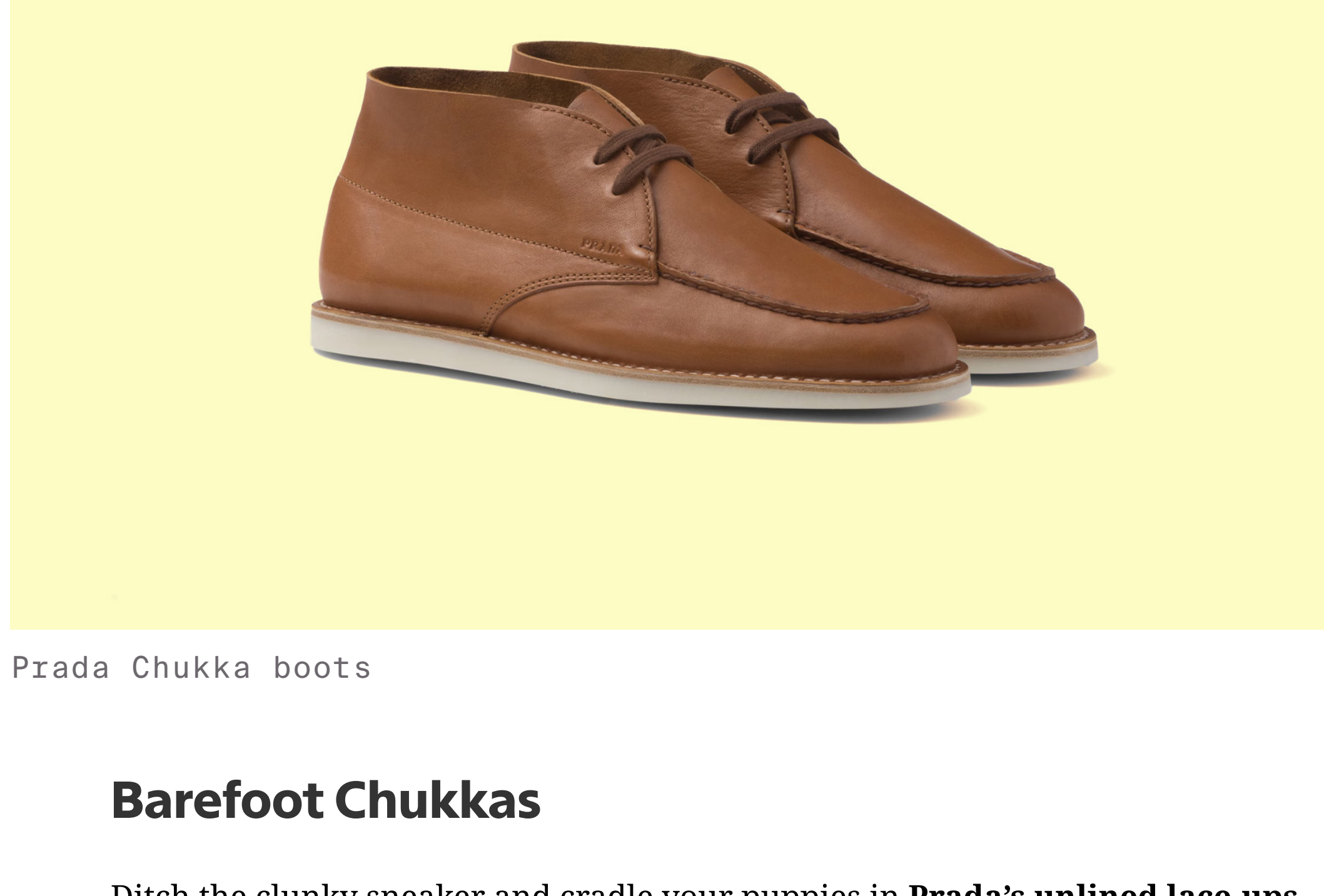
**Massimo Alba** takes a cooling linen knit and blends it with downy cashmere for a **featherweight half-zip sweater (\$1,115)** in a natural tone that continues to work even as the temperature warms up. **Brunello Cucinelli** takes a different stance with an indispensable **warm-weather polo (\$1,350)** in linen and cotton knit with a slightly slubbed, breezy texture. Island hopping? Loewe’s **Paula Ibiza** collection has just the ticket with its **oversized polo (\$750)** in a lightweight cotton-and-linen pique multicolor stripe.



Ami’s large-fit pants

## Capacious Trousers

After seasons of bandage-tight fits, casual pants are going wide this summer. Why not don **Ami’s pair in an offbeat shade of olive (\$810)** with your weekend T-shirt and white sneakers? Or go artisanal with **Bode’s cotton patchwork pants (\$1,225)** inspired by a vintage quilt and styled with an easygoing straight leg and waist ties. Or consider **patchwork denim (\$1,650)** from **Greg Lauren** with hand-stitched swatches from knitted sweaters for a one-of-a-kind pair.



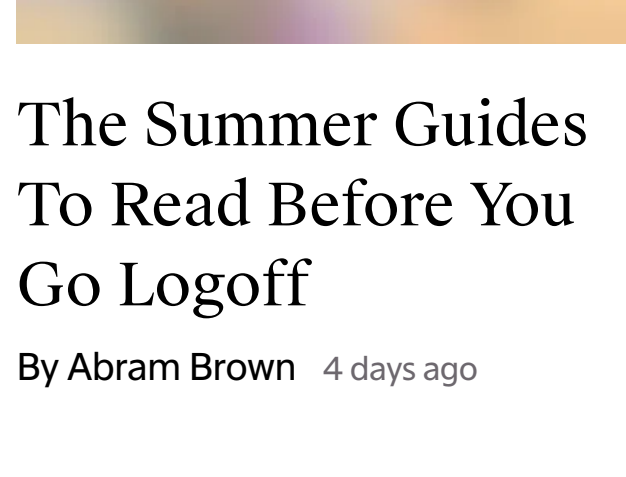
Prada Chukka boots

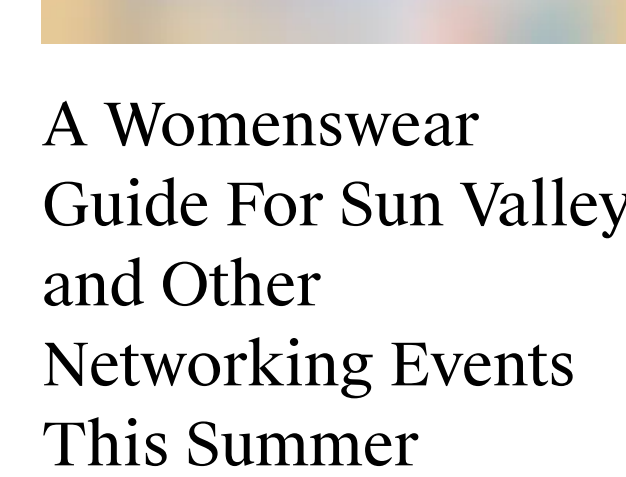
## Barefoot Chukkas


Ditch the clunky sneaker and cradle your puppies in **Prada’s unlined lace-ups (\$950)** in softest Nappa leather in a rich caramel hue with a spongy rubber sole. They’ll pair up nicely with your shorts or summer pants wherever you’re headed. Other easygoing choices include **The Row’s chukka (\$950)** in plush brown suede or **Loro Piana’s bootie (\$1,150)** that’s a new take on their ubiquitous Summer Walk loafer, in supple tan suede with a water-resistant finish and set on the brand’s familiar pebbled sole.

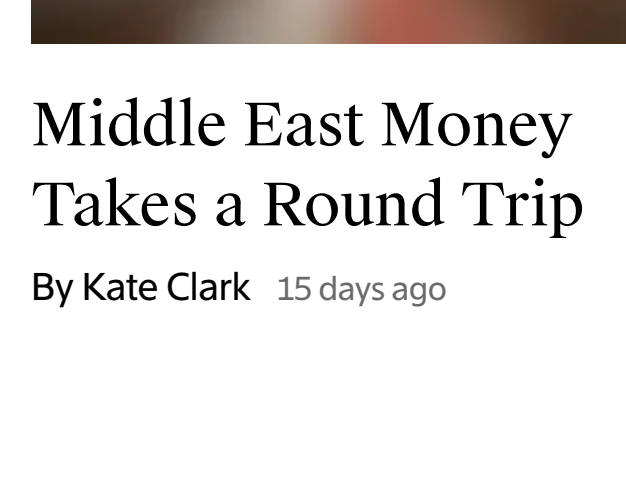
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