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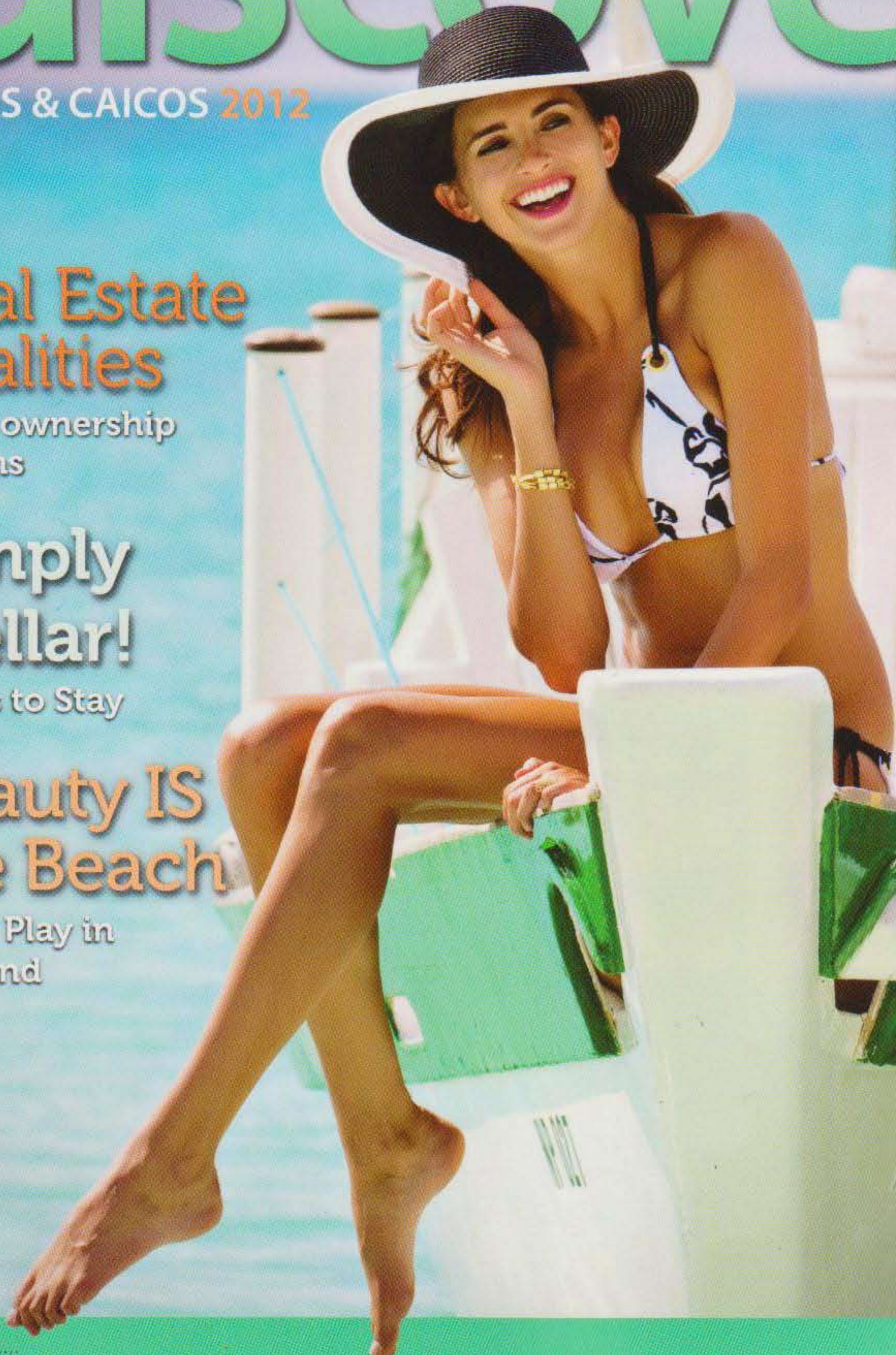
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# Fashionistas Welcome

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*Sapphire blue sequin skinny pants and Jackson Pollak inspired tank top from Philosophy Boutique*

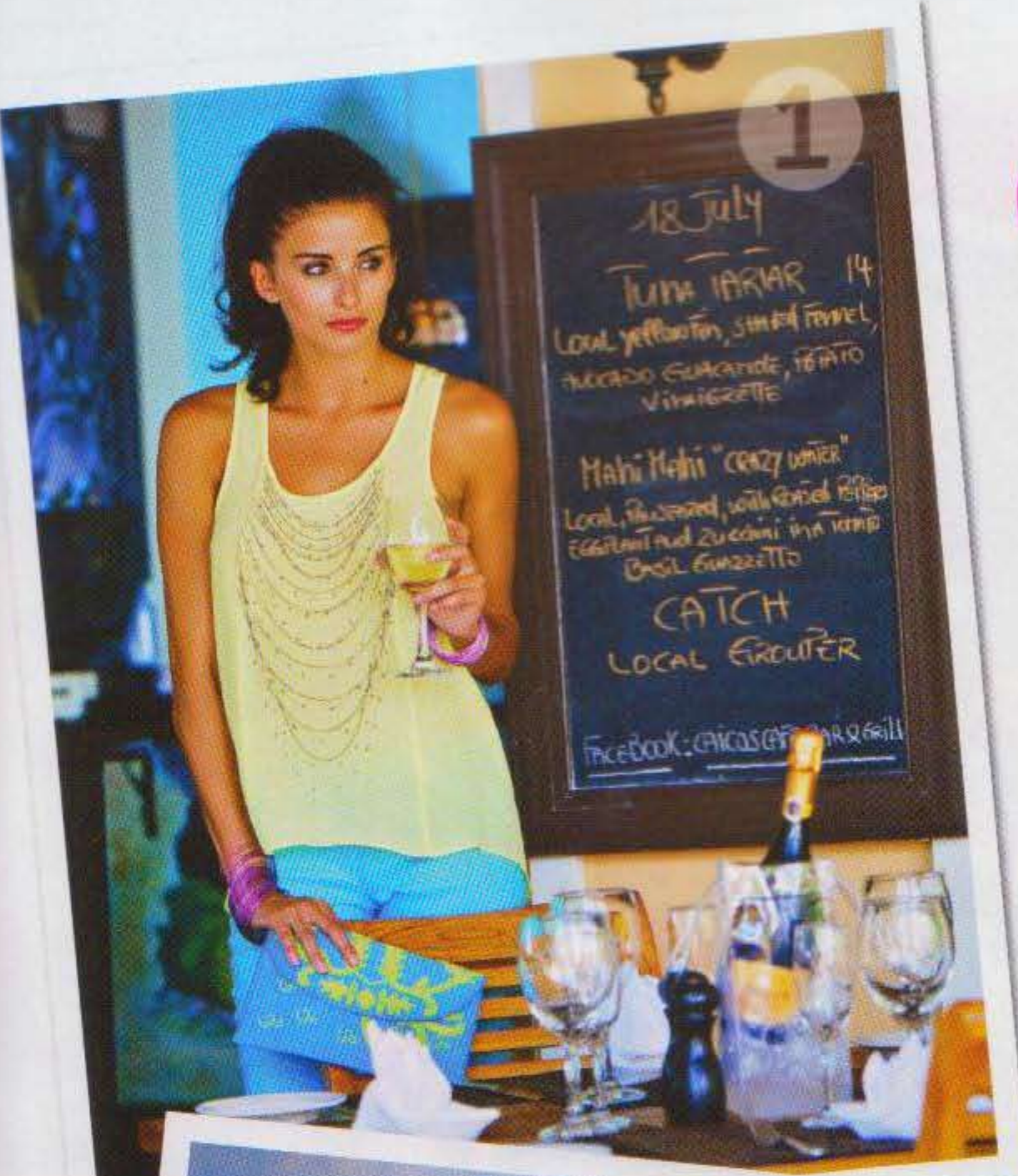


Winter officially descends on December 22nd, but here in the Turks and Caicos Islands, with average daily temperatures of 82F/28C, winter fashion need not fall victim to the practicalities of dropping temperatures. It's no secret that regimented rules have never found favor in this region appreciated for a casual and carefree lifestyle; fortunately fashion rules are no exception. The Caribbean is a place to live life, to play, to appreciate, to relax. Wardrobe choices should be just as enjoyable as the ceaseless summer activities. Our cover girl Jessica Miller features a few of the season's trends, Turks and Caicos style.

For those who live in Technicolor, dare to be as sizzling as the sun, as vibrant as the clear blue surrounding sea. Cobalt, saffron, aquamarine, chartreuse, pomegranate, and rum punch pink are sure-fire color hits. Color blocking is made for hues such as these. Jessica demonstrates in her sheer lemon tank, turquoise skinny Capris, and fuschia stacked bangles. Brights are very much at home in the Caribbean, and citrus hues have enjoyed a surge in popularity over the last year. Just keep in mind: neons tend to look best on darker complexions or in small doses (belts and bags), paired with balancing hues such as navy. Pastels are quintessential Caribbean and perfect for getting into a rosy, youthful frame of mind to match the scenery. Sorbet shades in tangerine, watermelon, and lime are just as tantalizing to the eye as they are to the taste buds. Explore Splash and Wish Boutiques at the elegant Regent Palms Resort for a rainbow array of lux and relaxed resort wear and exclusive designer jewelry.

Cheerful prints, mixed and mismatched, are a trend gaining plenty of momentum for the new year. Jewel tones such as emerald, sapphire, and ruby red are sure to make a splash, whether in stripes or graphic patterns. Floral prints in blossom hues such as daffodil, iris, pink peony, and lilac are light and feminine, ideal for beach cover-ups like Jessica's bell sleeved and lace embellished button down from Philosophy boutique in the Regent Village. Philosophy has something to catch every woman's inner fancy, from frilly soft frocks to edgy urban high fashion.

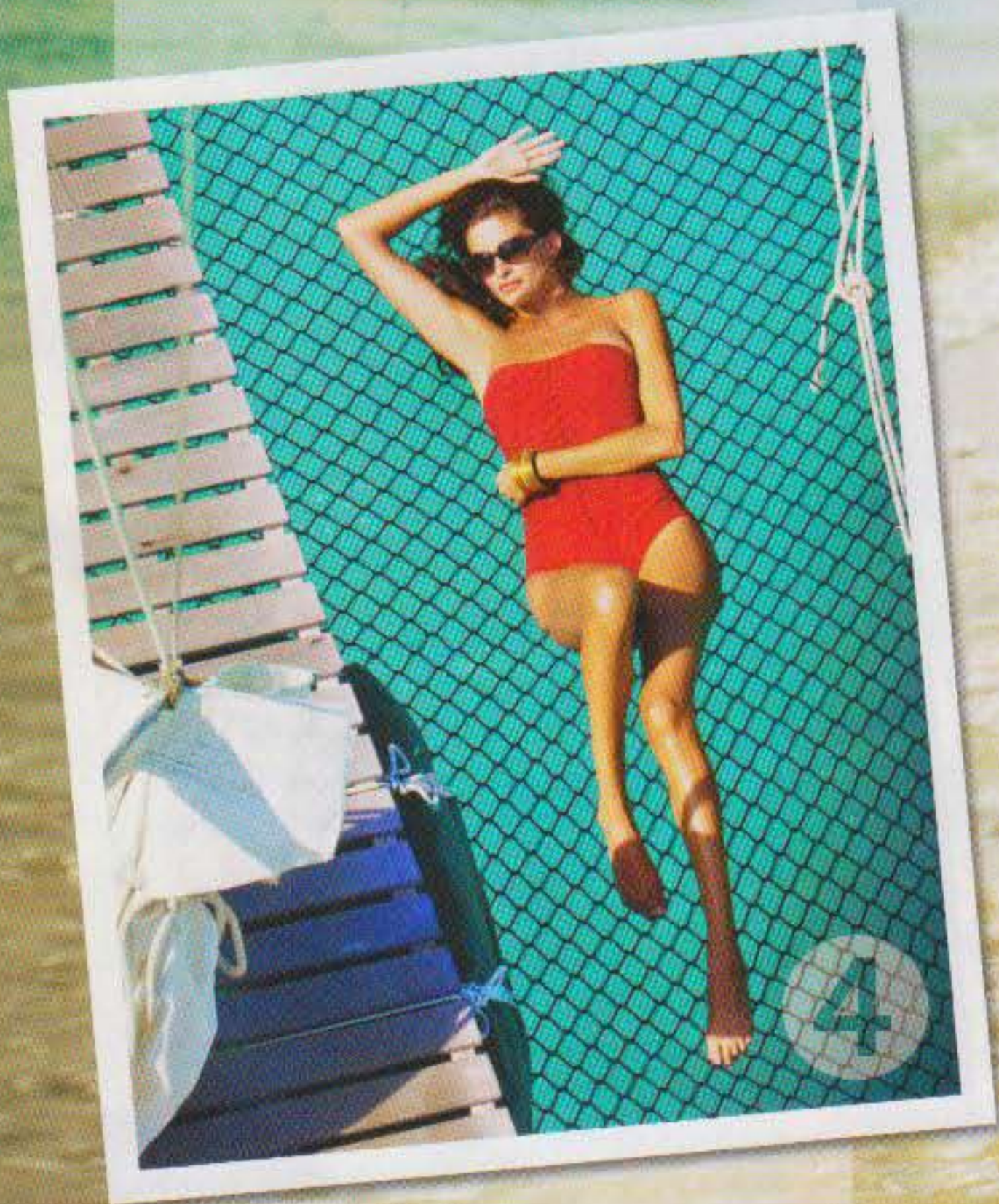
Caribbean style can't be encompassed without making mention of nautical looks. The Turks and Caicos are a sailor's dream so we took to the open ocean aboard Beluga to illustrate. Creamy ivories, regal reds, stormy sky blues, and Union Jack navy are the colors that embody nautical iconography. Jessica wears them well in a blue and white strapless bikini and a flowy braided rope detail multi-print top from the Grace Bay Club



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boutique. Here you can find ultra chic sandals and accessories but also a wide array of comfortable tunics and trousers well suited for a variety of sporting or leisure activities, from preppy to posh. Their classic, red ruffled bodice one piece swimsuit is a fitting example of a style that remains timeless despite the design's nod to the 40s and the 70s retro trends of the season. (photo 4).

If neutral hues are more your style, earthy shades of sand, sun bleached taupes, and crisp bright whites are well suited to our tropical dry forest environment. There is no better way to stay cool in the Caribbean than in light colored and breathable fabrics. Billowy blouses and loose maxi dresses transform effortlessly from day to night, saving room in your closet or your suitcase. Keeping it casual does not mean one need sacrifice sophistication; beige can certainly be beautiful. Jessica's champagne colored cocktail dress, paired with gold slipper heels and a chunky coral layered necklace, look pretty versus overly primped; perfect for a nice night out in Providenciales. In the islands, skin will always be in and Jessica's silver bikini is an eye-catching example of how shimmering metallics wear well on a Turks and Caicos tan.





- 1 - Chain embellished sheer lemon tank, turquoise skinny Capris, beaded clutch, and bright fuschia bangles from Philosophy boutique in the Regent Village
- 2 - Fuschia ruffled front monokini, floral print bell sleeved and lace trimmed button down, and brightly woven beach bag from Philosophy boutique in the Regent Village
- 3 - Cobalt blue and white strapless bikini, mixed print breezy blouse with braided rope detailing from the Grace Bay Club Boutique
- 4 - Classic red ruched and button front one-piece swimsuit, sunglasses, and woven gold bracelet and earring set from the Grace Bay Club boutique
- 5 - Champagne satin and tulle cocktail dress, metallic gold slipper heels, and chunky coral and gold chain necklace from Philosophy Boutique in the Regent Village
- 6 - Metallic silver string bikini, angular reflective bracelet, and mirror embellished headband, from Philosophy boutique in the Regent Village.



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