

LETTER FROM KATIE

I was trying to describe recently how I came up with collections. I don't yet have an absolute answer to this, but I described it as something akin to how an oyster forms a pearl. A foreign substance slips into the shell of the oyster, which causes irritation. When this happens the oyster produces nacre to cover the foreign substance to protect itself. This defence mechanism, in time, becomes a pearl. Something similar happens to me; it could be the smallest bit of information that hits me, and I suddenly become obsessive about gaining knowledge in a particular field.

One of these obsessions is the Amazon — the lungs of the earth. The Amazon rainforest is fascinating, but it always seemed inaccessible and slightly anxiety-inducing. In many areas in South America, it is advised to exercise caution and not travel within 20 km of the Colombian border due to high crime rates. This is precisely where I wanted to go. There is political unrest, and many environmental activists have lost their lives. It's never crossed my mind that I could go and see it for myself till this year.

I put my reservations aside and travelled to the Amazon rainforest in Ecuador, very close to the border of Columbia, with Esther Martinez, our Art Director and my very close friend. It was a trip of a lifetime that took both courage and strength. We trekked in muddy overgrowth with holes in our boots, swung on vines and used the pheromones from ants as a natural bug repellant. The sheer size of the orchids and leaves alone look like they only belong in storybooks. We saw pink dolphins, green frogs, monkeys and tarantulas. Turtles, Blue morpho butterflies and, to the best of my knowledge, even saw Psychotria Elata, aka Hot lips plant, which is now endangered due to habitat loss. Hot Lips features in this collection, Nature's Laboratory. I consider it the catalyst that started this collection or for the purpose of this letter, the foreign substance that created a pearl ...



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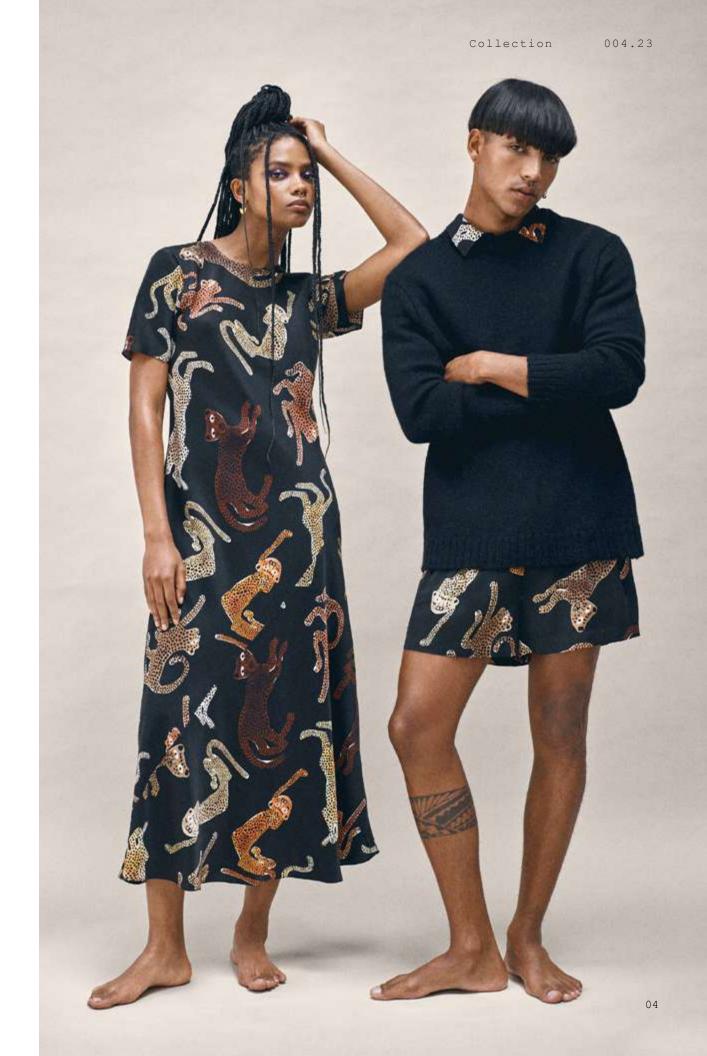
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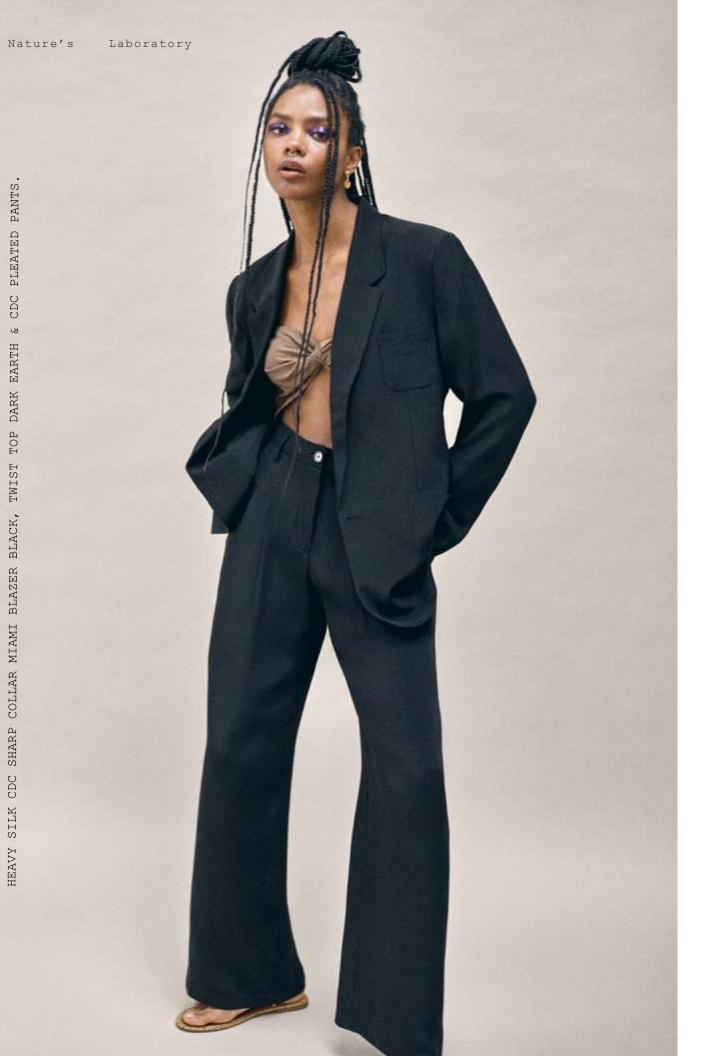
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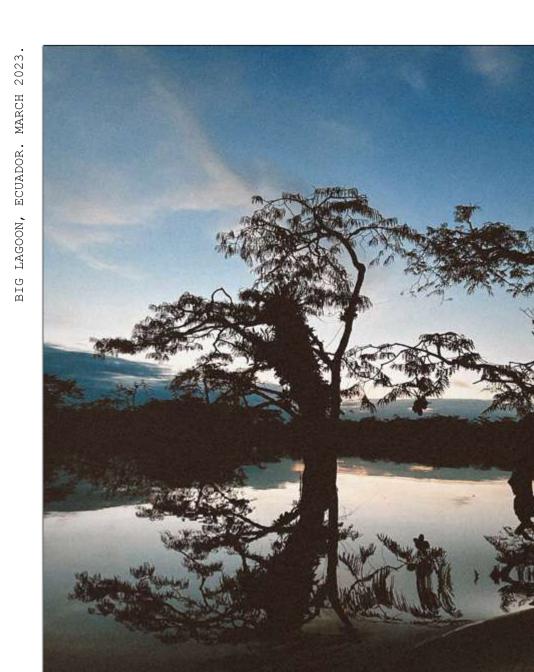




(shown on Larissa) SHORT SLEEVE BIAS DRESS JAGUARS BLACK (shown on Noah) SHORT SLEEVE BOYFRIEND SHIRT, TWILL RACER SHORTS JAGUARS BLACK α VIRGIN ALPACA KNIT CREWNECK BLACK.







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- KATIE KOLODINSKI







SILK TWILL BOYFRIEND SHIRT & SLOUCH PANTS DANDELION STRIPE.





LONG SLEEVE MESH TOP BLACK & HEAVY SILK CDC LONG SUIT SKIRT CUB.





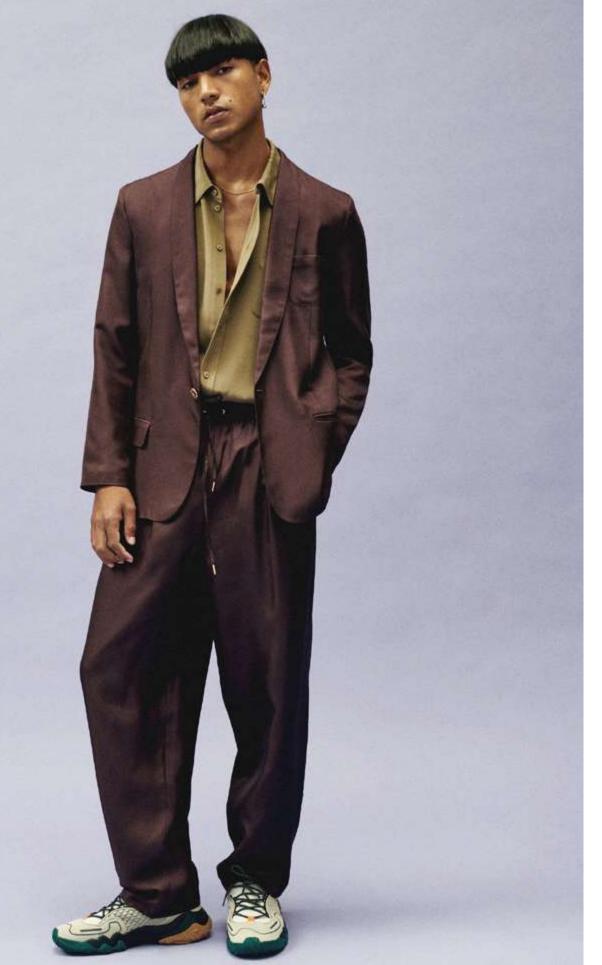
LUCIFER TITI MONKEY, ECUADOR. MARCH 2023.

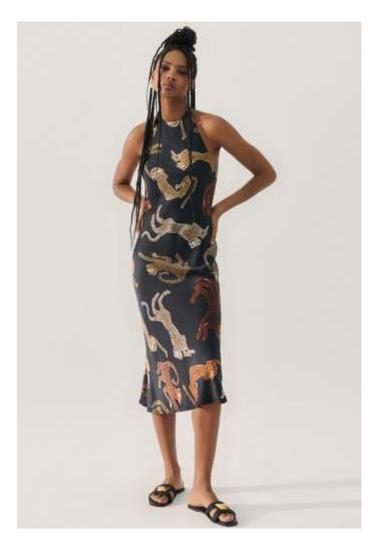
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(left) HALTER DRESS JAGUARS BLACK (right) 90's SLIP DRESS JAGUARS BLACK.



SILK TWILL SLOUCH PANTS CACAO & HEAVY SILK CDC SHORT SLEEVE BOYFRIEND SHIRT CUB.





Timeless silhouettes and innovative designs emerge in fabrications like Silk Cotton Crochet, Silk Mesh, Silk Jersey, and Virgin Alpaca, mimicking the textural diversity of nature through new versatile designs that standout.









CROPPED CAMP SHIRT DARK EARTH.





SILK JERSEY TANK LAVENDER, SILK TWILL BOYFRIEND SHIRT & SLOUCH PANTS CACAO.







SILK JERSEY LONG SLEEVE DRESS LAVENDER.







SILK JERSEY DRESS LAVENDER.



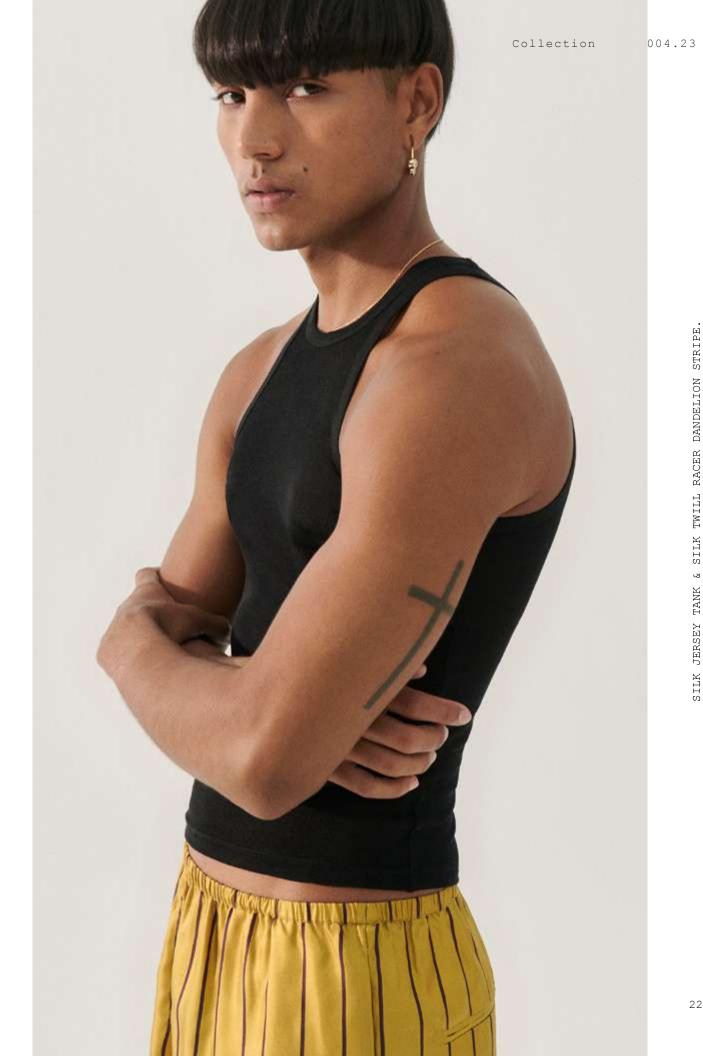
SEARCHING FOR AN ANACONDA, ECUADOR. MARCH 2023.

New colourways like Fudge, Dandelion and Garnet capture the way colour travels gradually through nature, from the warmest tones to the deepest magenta.

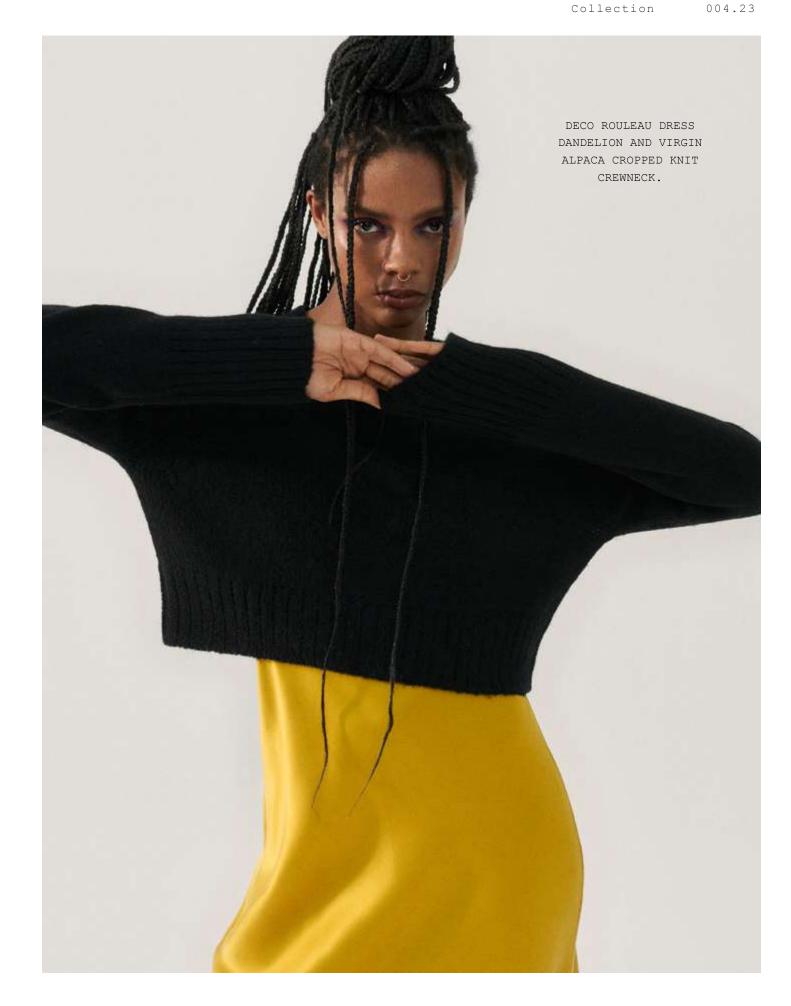


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DECO ROULEAU DRESS DANDELION.



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The inspiration offered by nature is endless. Through this collection, we share our interpretation of its offerings through new exclusive designs and limited-edition prints that capture nature in all her glory.





SILK TWILL BOYFRIEND SHIRT, SLOUCH VEST & RACER SHORTS CACAO.





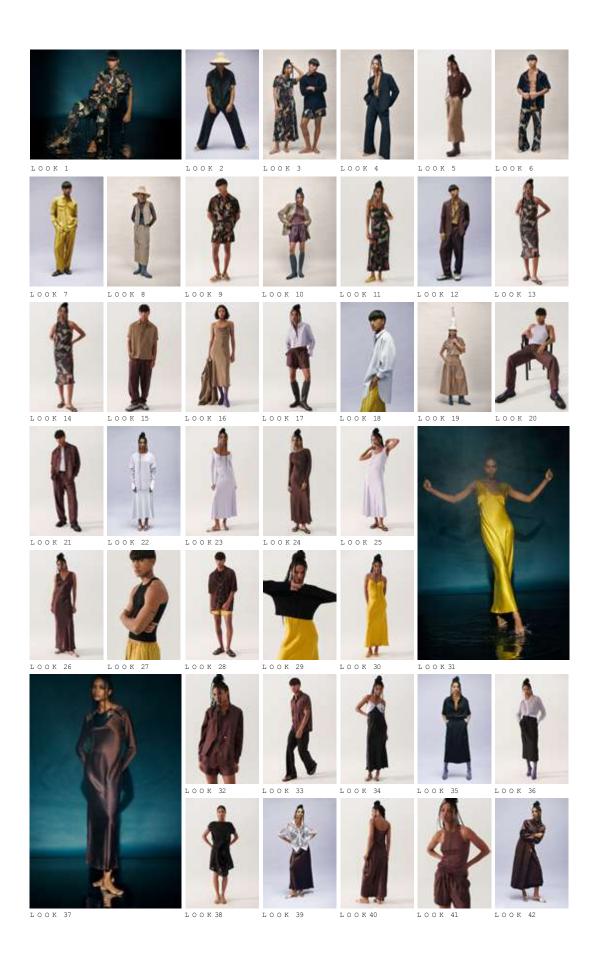












TOTAL LOOKS - FULL COLLECTION

Inspired by Creative Director Katie Kolodinski's journey in the Amazon, Reflections of Nature is an homage to nature as it occurs, embodying its ever-changing colours and moods in a new light.



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...Indigenous people represent 5% of the world's population; however, they protect 80% of its biodiversity. We had the pleasure of photographing Brazilian models Noah Alef and Larissa Joseph for part of this collection; both of whom are passionate about our planet's health. Noah is from the Pataxó indigenous tribe in Brazil and proudly wears his earring from home, embracing his indigenous heritage. His favourite print from the collection was the Jaguar print, as it is seen in their community as a protector of the environment and represents nature. Larissa had incredible energy, and she spends much of her time focused on reforestation projects. She and I have more in common than I imagined and I am so happy I could meet her.

For me, this collection is about making memories, facing fears, and choosing to live adventurously. It also highlights the importance of biodiversity and the people who dedicate their lives to preserving it. I would like you to hold a space for the environmental activists and indigenous people who have lost their lives or have been imprisoned for fighting for justice.

Katie K.

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Step into nature's biggest laboratory, a feast of textures, patterns and colours in harmony with nature. Release Two of this collection is an interplay of contrasts in different shades and prints inspired by creative director Katie Kolodinski's journey in the Amazon.







Nature's

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(left) 90'S SLIP DRESS LEOPARD (right) DECO ROULEAU DRESS LEOPARD.





SIENNA DRES



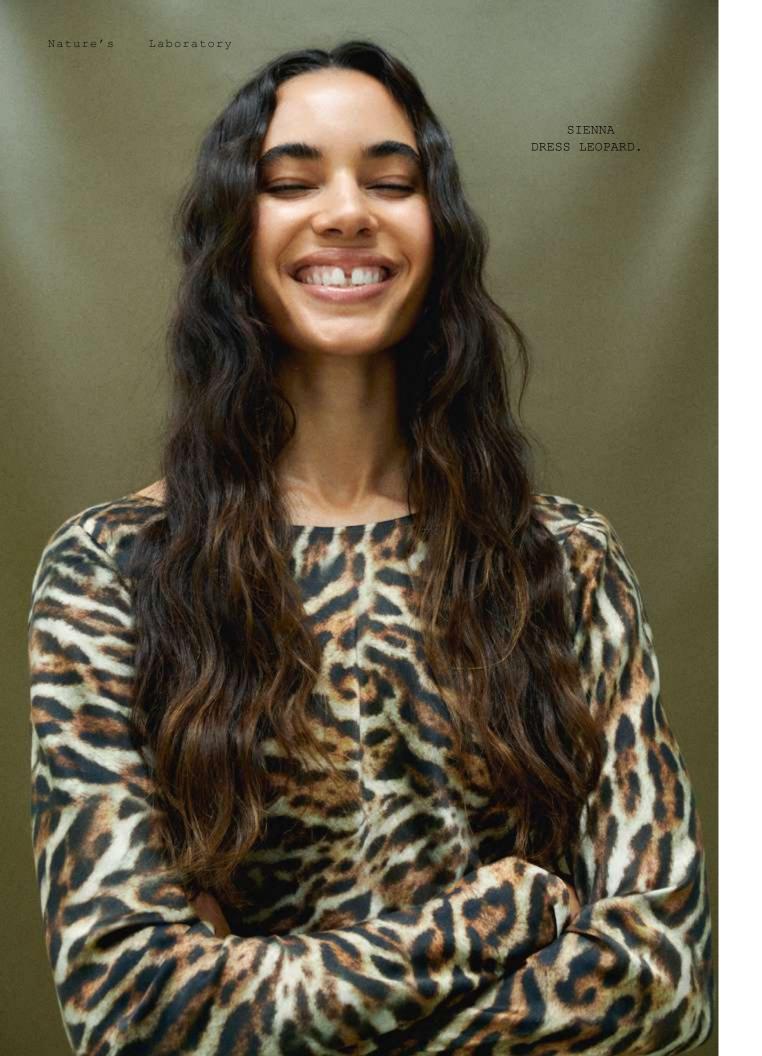


AMAZON TREKKING BOOT AND FERN.



New colourways like Lichen and Thyme are paired with versatile silhouettes to complement Release One, creating a harmony of layers and prints in warm and cool tones.









(left) SHORT SLEEVE BOYFRIEND SHIRT & BIAS CUT PANTS THYME. (right) COTTON SILK LONG SLEEVE ROUND SHIRT LEOPARD & SHORT SLEEVE BIAS CUT DRESS THYME.

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(left) ALPACA BOXY CARDIGAN NATURAL & DECO ROULEAU DRESS LEOPARD.
(right) VIRGIN ALPACA KNIT CREWNECK NATURAL & DECO ROULEAU DRESS LEOPARD.





STILL LIFE 2023.



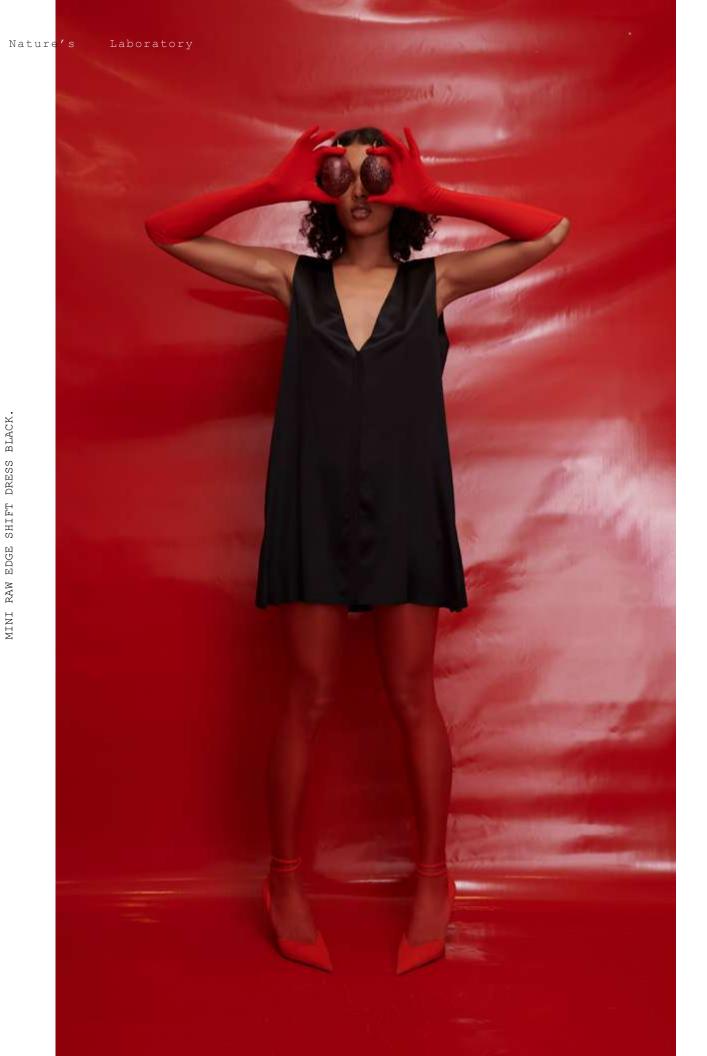


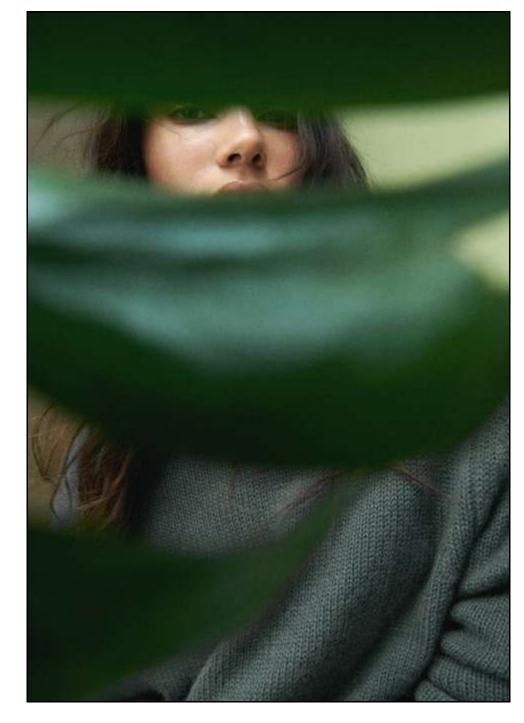




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VIRGIN ALPACA KNIT CREWNECK THYME.





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(left) STELLA DRESS GARNET. (right) 90'S SLIP DRESS GARNET.



SHORT SLEEVE BIAS DRESS SNAKE SKIN.



COTTON SILK LONG SLEEVE ROUND SHIRT WHITE.









(left) STILL LIFE 2023. (right) STRAIGHT NECK DRESS SNAKE SKIN.





2023. BOA IMPERATOR,







- KATIE KOLODINSKI



"Psychotria elata aka Hot Lips is the catalyst that started this collection. The "lips" are actually leaves and in their centre blooms little flowers, attracting hummingbirds and butterflies. I knew it was rare, and I may not see it but after five days of walking in the Amazon, I stumbled upon it in disbelief. From there, the collection was born — a marvel at nature's harmony and resilience."







SIENNA DRESS BLACK.







(left) SHORT SLEEVE BOYRFRIEND SHIRT & BIAS CUT PANTS JAGUARS HAZELNUT. (right) BOYFRIEND SHIRT & LONG BIAS CUT SKIRT JAGUARS HAZELNUT.

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Total looks - Full Collection

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