

## » LOCAL STYLE

One good thing about cooler weather is the opportunity it provides to wear more clothes. Look cute and on trend with new picks from some of Charleston's hottest stores.

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Have fun with fashion this season with fall's animal prints and a touch of lace.

### COPPER PENNEY

Ladies, dress in impeccable cosmopolitan style from head to toe with selections from this upscale boutique. From scarves to shoes, create a perfect outfit. Photos of you often selected as a "fashion don't"? Fear not. Friendly staffers are ready to help. So buy a new sweater or wool coat in an updated solid color if you need one, but not to hide behind. 311 King St., 843.723.2999, [www.shopcopperpenny.com](http://www.shopcopperpenny.com)

### COSE BELLE

Run by a mother-daughter team, this upscale boutique offers a unique selection of home furnishings and accessories plus women's clothing, jewelry and gifts. Pick up a beautiful new chest of drawers, perhaps one with shell button detail and paint design, and then some comfortable and fashionable clothing to fill it. Exclusive designers are among the options. 6 Beaufain St., 843.973.7213, [www.cosebel-lecharleston.com](http://www.cosebel-lecharleston.com)

### HAMPDEN CLOTHING

"Not every trend is for every woman, but why not have a little

fun with fashion this season and give one a try?" asks Stacy Smallwood, owner/buyer. Make your playful picks at her award-winning shop from collections by emerging to famous designers. Her advice: "A piece of plaid can be adapted to fit your style. Be bold in color this fall with a colorful pant balanced with a simple, solid top. Sixties style is back in longer hemlines and a touch of lace. The cape is a great way to wear an outerwear piece and still look stylish." 314 King St., 843.724.6373, [www.hampdenclothing.com](http://www.hampdenclothing.com)

### M. DUMAS & SONS

Good taste is always in style. Discriminating Southern gentlemen will find all the clothing, shoes, accessories and furnishings they need to look dandy or preppy here. Stock up on whatever you need, from bow ties to shorts, formal suits to golf shirts. Fall means back to school: Alums and students can showcase school pride with khakis and shirts embroidered with college logos. 294 King St., 843-723-8603

### RAPPORT

Build a serious wardrobe at one of King Street's newest additions. Camel and orange are hot this cool season, along with cashmere, boot-length skirts, stripes, wider pant legs and side zippers (which help maintain a flat front). Select from Armani, Ralph Lauren Black Label and other top designers' lines. Personal service and attention starts when you stroll through the door and extends past purchases with in-house tailoring (if needed). 235 King St., 843.727.0088, [www.rapportcharleston.com](http://www.rapportcharleston.com)

### SALT & SEAWEED

Find this season's newest trendy tribal prints and hues like cobalt blue, rust and dark teal at this laid-back women's boutique. Racks offer styles and selections appropriate for occasions from the beach to the city. Browse hard-to-find brands favored by starlets including Indah, Blu Moon, Quiksilver, Hurley and more. Need a cute jacket to help kick that maxi dress into fall? Stop here. 155 Market St., 843.793.2242, [www.saltandseaweed.com](http://www.saltandseaweed.com)