

Jackets for the Summer — What Real Men Choose

Mini-brochure: jacket types & when to wear, fabrics & weights, construction & fit, neutral colour capsule, outfit formulas, sizing & alterations, breathability & layering, care & packing, common mistakes & fixes, quick buying checklist.

Jacket Types — Where They Shine

Туре	Best for	Notes
Linen blazer (unlined/half-lined)	smart casual, office in heat	breathable; accept natural creasing
Unstructured cotton blazer	city casual	soft shoulders; patch pockets; seersucker works too
Seersucker sport coat	humid climates	<pre>puckered cotton = airflow; navy/stripes</pre>
Safari jacket/field	weekend/travel	belted optional; 4 pockets; olive/tan
Chore jacket	casual/creative	canvas/twill; minimalist; layers over tees
Light bomber/MA-1	evenings	nylon/cotton blends; rib hem; clean lines
Denim jacket (light wash)	casual	size to layer; avoid heavy rigid denim in heat
Linen/cotton overshirt	day-to-day	shirt-jacket weight; great over polos

Fabrics & Weights — Hot-Weather Heroes

Fabric	Why it works	Look for
Linen	maximum breathability	open weave, 200-260 g/m ² ; half-lining
Cotton twill/canvas	durable, casual	enzyme-washed; 220–280 g/m²
Seersucker	air gaps = cooling	100% cotton or blend; navy/stone
Tropical wool	drapes, crease-resistant	super-120s; 220-260 g/m²
Tech blends	light, quick-dry	stretch/mesh panels; travel-friendly

Construction & Fit — Comfort First

- Unstructured (no shoulder pads), minimal canvassing; **half-lined or unlined** backs.
- Add 1–2 cm ease in chest; sleeve head comfortable for reach; breathable sleeve lining (Bemberg/viscose).



Neutral Colour Capsule — Mix & Match

Outfit Formulas — Plug & Play

Context	Combo
Smart-casual office	linen blazer + Oxford shirt or polo + chinos + loafers
City weekend	seersucker coat + tee + light jeans + white sneakers
Travel	cotton chore jacket + knit polo + tech chinos + slip-ons
Evening	light bomber + black tee + tapered trousers + minimal trainers

Sizing & Alterations

- Shoulder seam ends at shoulder bone; blazer sleeve shows ~1 cm of shirt cuff.
- Hems: chore/safari mid-hip; bombers at hip bone; overshirts like heavy shirt.

Breathability & Layering

- Wear natural-fiber tees or polos; avoid thick synthetics under linen.
- Open weave + half lining = airflow; consider vented backs in tech jackets.

Care & Packing

- Steam, don't iron hard creases on linen; hang after wear.
- For travel: roll lightly and stuff sleeves into shoulders; use garment bag for blazers.

Common Mistakes & Fixes

Mistake	Fix
Too structured/heavy for heat	choose unstructured, half-lined, lighter cloth
Shiny synthetics	prefer matte textures (linen/twill/seersucker)
Too dark for daytime	add light neutrals (stone, sand, navy)

Quick Buying Checklist

- Unstructured jacket; half-lined/unlined back.
- Breathable fabric at 200-280 g/m² (linen, seersucker, tropical wool).
- Neutral capsule colour (stone, sand, navy, olive, light denim).
- Fits shoulders; comfortable reach; easy to steam/care.



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