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WHERE TO FIND MIAMI'S BEST OFFERINGS FOR THE FITTED, THE HUED, AND THE DOWNRIGHT DISTRESSED BY CHRISTINE BORGES



AG Jeans on Washington Avenue

7 For All Mankind

The Lincoln Road outpost selling the wildly popular label lives up to its name: Slim, tall, curvy, and petite will all find their fits here. Trending pieces for spring include light denim in both flare and skinny cuts.

1008 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach, 305-538-7355; 7forallmankind.com

AG Jeans

The Miami storefront of the Adriano Goldschmied name-sake now features Ozone technology in all of its denim, which reduces water consumption, the use of chemicals, and energy. This season's collection hits include cigarette-leg jeans in every highlighter color of the rainbow.

755 Washington Ave., Miami Beach, 305-604-7889; agjeans.com

AllSaints Spitalfields

The London staple's South Beach outpost was the second in the US, and currently specializes in a fit that sits right below the belly button. Its vibe—a little bit hippie, a little bit rock 'n' roll—is reflected in its selection of skinny jeans: Finishes include metallics and distressed, while rises run from low-waist to drop-crotch.

910 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach, 786-517-8180; us.allsaints.com

Barneys Co-Op

The Co-Op is heralded for carrying proven labels such as Citizens of Humanity and Current/Elliott, as well as a well-curated selection of denim by emerging designers. And the sales team is always on-hand to recommend great shapes, styles, and brands you might overlook.

832 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, 305-421-2010; barneys.com/co-op

Bloomingdale's

A good portion of the Aventura outpost's second floor is dedicated to all things denim. Look for brands such as Paige, DL1961, and J Brand, grouped together not only by designer, but by fit, style, and color. This season's standouts include lots of dark washes and a return to more dramatic, '70s-inspired flare bottoms.

Aventura Mall, 19501 Biscayne Blvd., 305-792-1000; bloomingdales.com

Diesel

The store's industrial ambience and ubiquitous music reflect the brand's playfully hip take on durable denim. This spring, they're keen on flares in indigo and cream, and wide boot-cuts in an extensive array of colors.

Aventura Mall, 19501 Biscayne Blvd., 305-933-6055; diesel.com

Intermix

Like its name suggests, all the items at this store—including the denim—are meant to be mixed in unexpected ways to produce uniquely stylish ensembles. Pair simple or wild styles by a bevy of brands (think Rag & Bone, Genetic Denim, and MiH) with everything from comfy, zip-up hoodies by Enza Costa to elegant, sequined tanks by Wren.

Bal Harbour Shops, 9700 Collins Ave., 305-993-1232; intermixonline.com

Macy's

Since it opened its doors back in 2005, this Macy's in Dadeland Mall has maintained its reputation as a mecca of denim. Expect a good variety of basics as well as the downright trendy, such as printed denim trousers and pastel-colored straight-legged numbers by brands such as Paige and Joe's Jeans.

Dadeland Mall, 7303 SW 88th St., South Miami, 305-662-3400; macys.com

Post Blue Jean Co.

This mom-and-pop jeans shop specializes in a boho aesthetic, a departure from the rhinestones and glitter in so many South Beach window displays. Come here to perfect your layered look, and peruse the selection of straight-leg and boot-cut fits by RCTS, Habitual, and Citizens of Humanity.

836 Lincoln Road, Miami Beach, 305-673-2124 OD

MAN UP

When it comes to high-end selvedge denim, men have the upper hand.

The term "selvedge" originated from the phrase "self-edge" and refers to the uncut edges created on old-style shuttle looms when weaving one continuous thread down the length of the fabric. The result is a denser weave and fray-less edges. After checking with the stores on this list, it seems mostly men benefit from the 100-year-old looms, found predominantly in Japan. Selvedge denim is often sold unwashed or "raw," and some aficionados wear it for months without washing, so as to attain proper fading.



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