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Hey, WHAT'S in the BAG, Weatherproof Guy?

MODE:ROAD



We're reading between the lines here, and ASSUMING that Jennifer Lopez (the *Weather Channel* version) told you it was going to be WET outside. No prob, mate; we know your kit's going to keep you DRY and FLY. →

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The Goods



Preparing for bad weather doesn't mean suiting up like the Gorton's Fisherman. Instead, **Lachelle Via** shows us how a man can look perfect in any storm:

- 1. JACK SPADE WAXED CLOTH BAGS** \$465 for the duffel and \$265 for the messenger bag, both in chocolate-colored, wax-treated woven cotton (866-999-5283 or 212-625-1820, www.jackspade.com).
- 2. HASPEL MEN'S SUIT** \$395 in pinstripe cypress. The suit's wool/poly/Lycra fabric uses Inanova technology to resist water and stains (available at Frank Stella, three New York locations: 921 Seventh Avenue, 212-957-1600; 1326 Third Avenue, 212-744-5662; and 440 Columbus Avenue, 212-877-5566).
- 3. BROOKS BROTHERS NECKTIE** \$59.50 in 100 percent silk with Nano-Tex stain-resistant technology (800-274-1815, www.brooksbrothers.com).
- 4. STRESSFREE OXFORD SHIRT** \$42 from the Gap; also incorporates Nano-Tex (800-427-7895 or 650-952-4400, www.gap.com).
- 5. ECO-DRIVE NIGHTHAWK WATCH** \$475 from Citizen, this water-resistant titanium watch uses light for power (800-321-1023 or 310-532-8463, www.citizenwatch.com).
- 6. CROSBY, HALLEN & COBB TRENCH COAT** \$550 in khaki oilcloth with flannel lining (available at Butch Blum, 1408 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, 206-622-5760, www.butchblum.com; AB Fits, two San Francisco locations: 40 Grant Avenue and 1519 Grant Avenue, 415-982-5726, www.abfits.com; and Gerry's, 353 Bleecker Street, New York, 212-691-0636).
- 7. UMBRELLA** \$30 from Brookstone in black has Teflon on the fabric for dryness and titanium on the ribs for durability. And it's practically pocket-sized when collapsed (866-576-7337, www.brookstone.com).
- 8. OXFORD SHOES** \$150 from Kenneth Cole in black leather, the shoes have a combination rubber and leather sole for puddle patrol (800-536-2653 or 212-265-1500, www.kennethcole.com).
- 9. FUJITSU STYLISTIC ST5032 TABLET PC** \$2,499 including Intel Pentium M processor, Microsoft Windows XP, 60-gigabyte hard drive and a fingerprint sensor. And look: no keyboard! Instead, use a stylus; the Tablet PC recognizes your handwriting (800-831-3183 or 408-746-6000, www.shopfujitsu.com).
- 10. TABLET PC CASE** \$349.95 from Otter Box, made for the Fujitsu Tablet PC. Case is water- and dustproof, and protects against minor bumps and bangs (888-695-8820 or 970-493-8446, www.otterbox.com).

Got Gizmo?



Nano, Nano

Forget the stiff chemical-coated fabrics of the past. New innovations from nanotechnology companies like **Nano-Tex** are enabling designers to build stain, spill and even static resistance into fabrics at the molecular level. "It's inherent in the fabric. It doesn't wash off or wear off," says Nano-Tex Americas President Renee DeLack Hultin. "You don't adversely affect the hand or the feel of the fabric."

When the first Nano-Tex clothes hit the market in spring 2001, they were mostly casual shirts and khaki slacks. Today, Nano-Tex tags are showing up across the marketplace—from togs at

GapKids to dress shirts from Hugo Boss. Last year, **20 million garments** had Nano-Tex enhancements, and the market for such "performance" fabrics is only expected to grow. Nano-Tex customer Eddie Bauer got in on the trend early and has seen exponential growth in demand. "Today, over 60 percent of their shirts have our technology," says Hultin.

So what Nano-Tex garments are in Hultin's wardrobe? "I've actually had some **custom suits** made," she says. "We're going into the workout arena, so a lot of the **workout clothes** I wear have Nano-Tex, too." —Britta Waller