

## The fash packer



Travel tips from B Akerlund,  
costume designer to  
Madonna and Lady Gaga

**Your dream escape?** "The Amanpuri Resort in Phuket with my husband. It's the most tranquil place. You can rent your own villa with personal chefs."



**Won't step on a plane without?**

"Gummy bears, an eye mask and I'm obsessive about my Evian Mineral Water Spray."

**Travel in style?** "I wear Rick Owens head to toe – comfortable, but also fashion-forward. And I have a 'travel kit' – my black Prada stroller bag, Chrome Hearts passport holder and my black Balenciaga travel wallet."

**Working holiday?** "I had the best experience in Tokyo, working on Madonna's video for 'Jump'. Everyone rolled out the red carpet."

**Best bed in the world?** "Chateau Marmont in LA has the best sheets."

**Best beach in the world?** "I prefer pools. The Hôtel du Cap in the south of France has a magical one."

**Best restaurant in the world?** "PA & Co in Stockholm for fantastic home-cooked Swedish gourmet food."

**Essential extras?** "My Forties-style swimsuit from Norma Kamali. Everything I pack is black, so I take MAC red lipstick [right] to spice up any outfit."

**Dream holiday companion?** "My American Express card – it has no limits!"

**Luxe travel moment?** "The incredible Four Hand massage at Esperanza in Cabo San Lucas in Mexico."

**Best souvenir?** "Black Death Vodka from Iceland. I love the bottle." ■



Lipstick in Russian Red, £12.52, MAC (0870 034 2676)



Amanpuri Resort, Phuket, Thailand



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