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What would Goodwood – the most glamorous weekend in the classic calendar – be without the dressing up? Choosing an appropriate outfit for the relevant racing era is one of the great pleasures; or, for those who leave it to the last minute, there's always the Goodwood shop...

Autumn is approaching and with it this weekend's Goodwood Revival. The unique charm of this motorsport party is that not just the racing cars, but also the drivers, the mechanics, the caterers – and of course the spectators – are dressed to suit the events of yesteryear. To be a genuine part of the event, rather than simply a spectator, visitors slip with wit and imagination into outfits which bring the Forties, Fifties and Sixties back to life. If you don't adopt the Revival dress code, you won't be turned away at the gate, but it's a big part of the fun – against the backdrop noise of throaty engines, big bands and rock 'n' roll.



But what to wear, when you join Lord March at his race circuit? To help out those in sartorial confusion, Goodwood has produced a small guide titled 'Dress and Style at the Goodwood Revival', covering the three suitable decades of fashion. Men, for example, might choose the Ivy League look, adopting 1950s U.S. college fashion, or be inspired by James Dean – complete with leather jacket and roll-up jeans. Ladies, meanwhile, might desire to be anything from a starched matron in hat and gloves, to the naughty girl of 1960s Carnaby Street or perhaps a film star of the black and white era. For last-minute help, you can always turn to Goodwood's online boutique (though even that is a little late for this year – but plan ahead for 2014, why not!). Here you will find slightly eccentric, quintessentially British creations, along with seamed stockings and hats – or for men who long to be covered in oil stains, there's always the practical option of plain white mechanics' overalls. Have a Glorious Goodwood!

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