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You're no bear. So move it.

No need to hibernate this time of year. Here's some fun, innovative gear to help you get out, get moving and stay fit.



RIDING HIGH

The ski bike has been around for decades, but never for under \$1,000. Enter the economical, aluminum-framed SkiByk SB100, which mates dual-suspension mountainbike components with two 99-centimeter (38 inch) skis. Easy to learn (one or two runs on the bunny slope and you're good), they're now legal at many resorts, including Mountain High in Wrightwood. \$989, skibyk.com



WARMTH ON THE GO

Is it a blanket, a jacket, a hammock warmer or a sleeping bag? The Kammock Bobcat trail quilt, just 19 ounces, can be cinched around your feet and/or legs with an elastic draw cord and has snaps that convert it into a light sleeping bag. \$199, kammock.com



POOL RUNNING AT HOME

Personal trainer Jennifer Conroyd, founder of a popular deep-water running class, has built an app that guides you through pool workouts that allow you to burn calories while saving your knees from wear and tear. The package includes the three-workout app, a flotation belt, elastic tether and Bluetooth headset. Online instructional videos teach correct pool-running form. \$159, fluidrunning.com



Micro Kickboard

SNOW SCOOTING

Think Razor scooter with a snowboard on the bottom instead of wheels. Designed for terrain parks, the Black Ice Snowpark Scooter can handle half pipes, rails, boxes and kickers. \$639, microkickboard.com

SNUG SNOWSHOES

The Tubbs Panoramic makes fit, always an issue with snowshoes, easy and precise with its new, exclusive Boa Closure System. Just reach down and spin a dial that tightens a web around your foot instantly. \$249.95, tubbssnowshoes.com

PITCHING COACH IN YOUR HAND

This regulation-size, full-grain leather baseball has a brain inside. Paired to its PitchTracker app via Bluetooth, it measures metrics like velocity, spin rate, extension, time-to-the-plate and timing delivery, and allows video capture so you can check correlation between form and results. \$99 plus \$9.99 a month subscription, diamondkinetics.com







HOW FAR IS IT?

TecTecTec's new ULT-X, its most advanced golf laser rangefinder, accurately measures distances up to an amazing 600 yards — precise within one yard. It also lets you know when you've locked on to the target and is approved for tournament play (because you can disengage the slope func-tion used to calculate elevation-adjusted distances). Less than half a pound, it features three scanning modes for measuring distances. \$249, us.tectectec.com



PERSONALIZED STEPPER

Still determined to stay indoors? OK then, this one is for you: When you download its app, Bowflex Max Trainer builds a unique workout program for you through an initial fitness assessment and analy- \sin of data from your previous workouts. And it keeps changing as you get fitter. The M6 model is \$1,699, and the M8 starts at \$2,299. Workout subscription is \$149 a year. bowflex.com



STAY IN TOUCH WAY **OUT THERE**

Do you like to ski, bike, kayak or hike off the grid? The waterproof and rustproof GoTenna Mesh, clipped onto your clothing, keeps you connected with the world even without any cell service or Wi-Fi. \$179, gotenna.com

If you want assistance, this clothing will help you out

By Kavita Daswani

The current crop of fitnessbased clothing and footwear includes T-shirts that improve your posture, pants that regulate body temperature and sneakers that can be worn to a business meeting. And one Los Angeles company is making sure that nobody is excluded by offering extended Looking for pieces to kick off

your 2019 workout routine? Here are some intriguing athleisureware picks that can take you from work to the gym, or the gym to happy hour:

Posture, posture

Pieces from Santa Ana-based AlignMed have "tension panels" that help correct posture and protect joints. Company founder Bill Schultz came up with the idea after using posture taping for his own neck and back pain and realizing there was a need for garments that discreetly served the same function. The brand's Tshirts, leggings and sports bras are constructed using a series of bands, panels and seams to reduce strain on the body, improve muscle tone — and, yes, to help the wearer sit up straight. "If you



ROBERT ZALESKI AlignMed

slouch, the body slows itself down," Schultz said, and that contributes to weight gain and fat storage. The clothing is designed for use during working out, but is also stylish enough for daily errands and traveling. \$95 to \$195, alignmed.com

Screen the sun

The first product launched by Los Angeles-brand Sundriven was lightweight women's gloves, created by company founder Mitzi-Jo Runyan to help counteract signs of



aging by what she describes as "unintentional sunbathing" (driving, playing golf, walking the dog ...). The success of the gloves led to a full line of women's athleisurewear meant to protect from the sun, with fabric that absorbs moisture from the body and releases it into the atmosphere. "We wanted to create a wardrobe that could transition through different aspects of life, from a yoga class to lunch, while keeping the skin cool and dry," Runyan said. A line for men and children is in the works. \$48 and up, sundriven.com



Year of Ours

The lace-up waist in the

for flexibility, which comes in

Hockey Leggings from Los Ange-

les brand Year of Ours is designed

handy for pregnancy, fluctuating

waistlines or simply to allow for a

heavier-than-usual meal. Inclu-

sively, many pieces go from extra

small to size 2XL, including Foot-

ball Leggings, made from athletic

jersey, and ribbed bralettes. Chic

enough to wear to brunch or a

gings are \$107, year of ours.com

casual happy hour. Hockey Leg-

INNOVATIONS, from left: posture focus by AlignMed; sun shielding from Sundriven; flexibility from Year of Ours and dressy athleticism from Cole Haan.



Dressy sneaks Loosen up

Not a fan of the suit-with-trainers look? Cole Haan's new Men's 3. Zerogrand Wingtip Oxford is for the walk/bike/Bird-to-work set, or perhaps those with a walking/ standing desk who would rather ditch the sneakers for a sleeker look. The shoe resembles a formal Oxford in a rich cognac leather. But the sole has traction pods for movement and comfort and plenty of padded support for those who need to be on their feet all day. \$400, colehaan.com



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