

CHANNEL 5 CHOICE

Glad Rags

Everybody has their favourite shops for clothes - often one where they do shop, and one where they would like to shop. Even if you don't intend to buy it's interesting to browse and see just how out of date your wardrobe is! Here's a selection of shops that might just take your fancy...

The Warehouse (Not part of the London chain!) They say: 'Glasgow's style is better' and here is a shop with a good range of designer clothes and accessories but you'll have to pay. Clothes £90-£400! Accessories £30-£100. Look out for a sale in Jan/Feb. 61 Glassford St, Glasgow.

Debenhams Wide range with something that will appeal to both your grandmother and your younger sister. Larger stores have shops within shops, such as Benetton, Dorothy Perkins, Burton's and Dash. High St locations.

Hudson & Hudson One of Cardiff's 'upmarket' shops with clothes for men and women, designer labels and their own. Separates from £40-£55. Dresses £80. Reasonably priced accessories, especially shoes and bags. Look out for their shops in London and Bath. Sale - 2nd week after Christmas. 98 St Marys St, Cardiff.

Collets International Bookshop A bookshop for political clothes! Good range of Soviet chic on sweatshirts, T-shirts, socks and badges. Wear your politics on your chest. 129 Charing Cross Road, London WC1.

Miss Selfridge Going upmarket with good and bad imitations of really stylish clothes. Quite reasonable prices and good accessories.

69a 50s and 60s 2nd hand, plus designer wear for women. ANC and SWAPO merchandise. Good value, trousers from £5, jackets from £10. 69a Renshaw St, Liverpool.

Joseph's Part of Leicester's 'Covent Garden' but without the tourist hordes or extravagant prices. Well-priced selection of men's wear, good jeans, shirts and suits. Silver Arcade, Leicester.

X Clothes Northern stockists of London 'names' (Willi Brown, Bassweejun, Johnsons, Sue Newall), with range of shoes and jewellery. Good selection of post-punk Gothic chic. Shops at 9 Duncan St, Leeds; 15 Chapel Walk, Manchester; 17 Market St, Sheffield and 25 George St, Hull.

Helter Skelter Eclectic selection of period clothes, PVC and

leather, mainly for women. Be prepared to spend to indulge your tastes. 84 Mill Rd, Cambridge.

Workers For Freedom! Wonderful fabrics, mostly quality cottons and very light wools. Design has the best of Italian casualness mixed with Soho style. For men and women. But how many workers do you know that can afford £95 for trousers? 4a Lower John St, London W1.

Paul Smith English classics with a whimsical edge. Would you wear 'space invader' socks? Good range of accessories, ranging from boxer shorts to watches, pens and the dreaded Filofax. Although too



pricey for most, shops are attractive and pleasant - well worth a browse. 43 Floral St and 23 A very Row in London; 10 Bayard Lane, Nottingham, plus new branch in Tokyo!

Narks S Spencer Worth a look for the quality of their clothes, styles from the unadventurous to the interesting. Keep an eye out for new range of women's underwear *a la* Calvin Klein, knitwear and thermal socks! Good exchange policy if you're lumbered with something dreadful as a present.

Top Shop/Top Nan Classic teen shop with prices aimed at young market. Quality ranges from rubbish to good, note the sweatshirts and T shirts. Good accessories - some have 'designer' sections with French Connection, Stirling Cooper and Strawberry Studio.

Benetton The Yuppie shop, being 'smart but casual'. Quality clothes in bland pastels - why no primaries? Unadventurous and safe.

The Dresser Designer goodies at prices that warrant immediate action' *i-D Magazine*. 'Cast offs' from Dior, Crolla and Gaultier on sale or return basis! 39 Sussex Place, London W2.