

Field's of Dreams

Marshall Field's fashion expansion

Serious fashionistas have more reasons than ever to visit Marshall Field's famous flagship store on Chicago's bustling State Street this spring—actually, more than 500 reasons. As the second-largest department store in the world, Marshall Field's on State Street has been going through some major renovations, expanding its enormous 10-floor showroom into a virtual retail paradise and adding more than 500 new vendors to its home decor and fashion stock. The latest additions to men's and women's apparel are notable collections by award-winning designers such as Tom Ford for Yves Saint Laurent, Dolce & Gabbana and Britain's "king of formal wear," Thomas Pink. Canines, too, can get dressed to the nines at The Down Town Dog boutique, a delightful doggie department with products for tail wagers of all sizes (think everything from puppy sweaters to crystal collars by Swarovski). Accessory aficionados will love the brand-new Chicago Designer Jewelry Shop at Field's, an exquisite boutique that sells unique pieces from innovative Chicago-based jewelersmiths such as Hearts Desire and Molly Holtzer. The Shop also allows customers to design and customize bracelets, earrings and other fabulous baubles, using a variety of materials supplied by some of the best gold, silver and gem merchants from around the world. For those who believe beauty is skin deep, Field's offers Reflect, a cosmetics section that lets clients create their own made-to-order beauty products. Merz Apothecary, boasting a venerable 138-year history, has also opened shop in Field's, carrying hundreds of exclusive European health and beauty potions. And those who like learning while shopping should check out the complimentary Field's audio tour, which gives visitors a lesson on Marshall Field's 151 years of tradition in the retail industry. —*Elio Iannacci*

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Marshall Field's expansion includes imported personal care products from Merz Apothecary (top left); clothing by Thomas Pink (above); and an upscale doggie care boutique (left)