

Bag design



*Evans
Handbag
1956*

Metal, decorated with faux pearl, with metal link strap

The three dominant handbag styles of the 1950s were the classic, structured handbag on a metal frame of lacquered brass or steel, the clutch bag and the open bucket bag, an elegant form of shopper. Handbags were used for their ability to complete an outfit, to provide a dash of colour or an accent to an outfit. Evening clutch bags were made in silver and gold brocades, kid and diamantÃ©, or in solid metal and outfits were composed as much as assembled. This metal and faux pearl minaudiÃ©re was worn by Mrs Carol Howard at her wedding on Boxing Day, 1956.

Metal and faux pearl minaudiere with circular designs and snake link strap