

## Bag design



*Mulberry  
Bag  
1976*

*String net with metal coils, brown leather, quilted cotton gabardine and pigskin*

By the mid 1970s, large, unstructured shoulder bags in textured leathers and buttery suedes replaced the previously popular ethnic look. With bags carried slung across the shoulders, numerous pockets and zips in evidence, most women seemed equipped for anything in the new age of feminism.

Handbags for British traditional country pursuits had long been made by companies such as Burberry and Simpson, and a newcomer in the 1970s, Mulberry, introduced hunting and fishing bags of embossed leather. This bag is part of a unisex ensemble in natural materials and colours, accessorised with multiple bags and belts slung around the body. A billiard-pocket maker supplied the string component of this quilted cotton and pigskin bag.

'Musette' bag of string net with metal coils and brown-leather strap; quilted cotton gabardine and pigskin shooting bag