

Summer Sales in Lamorinda: Let's Go Shopping!

By Sophie Braccini

Need a fun little outing for mother, daughter and girlfriends around town? Go shopping! This is the time of year when your local store managers need to make room for the fall fashion season. To that end, many stores are offering bargains that make the local shopping experience affordable and guilt free.

Let's start in Orinda, at Mccaulou's, 250 Village Sq, which has a number of interesting items on sale, including cute summer hand bags, sun hats and tank tops at 50% off. Summer jackets are marked down to about \$20. There are also a number of adorable kids' items on the Super Sale Merry Go Round. You can check the other two local Mccaulou's in Moraga and Lafayette, each of them can be a bit different in their selections.

One of the town's favorites, BB Gear, at 2

Theater Square, will start its half yearly sale soon. Get ready to check out the very special attire for casual or special occasions, at 50%, 60% and even 70% off.

In Moraga, at the Rheem Shopping Center, stop first at Lori's Perfect Tan, 552 Center street to get that perfect fit swim suit now on sale in the "values to go" section for around \$10. TJ Maxx, 472 Center Street, has a special junior clearance, you'll find charming summer tops in the \$10 range and large fashionable sunglasses for \$8.

In Lafayette, Specialtees at 979 Moraga Rd is having its Half Yearly Sale until July 30th. Some of the creative apparel can be purchased for half of the original price. This includes jackets in the \$250 range, a few dresses for less than \$50, and some tops for about \$100.



Jodi Weis with her daughter Kirstin Ricker and soon to be grandson (due in Nov), found what they were looking for at Jodi's favorite store, Erin Paige Boutique in La Fiesta Square.

Close by, Chico's, 3537 Mt Diablo Blvd., is having its summer clearance and will take an additional 30% off selected items. Colorful t-shirts are priced at \$19.99, jeans at \$33.99 and tops around \$30. Further west at 3541 Mount Diablo is Solo, a European style store. The summer sale will be going on until mid-August. Selected items are 50% off and with some beautiful silk cocktail dresses priced around \$120.

This little strip of Mount Diablo ends with Pendleton, the store of the original American wool blanket. Here, you'll find an assortment of selected items at 50% off. Examples include shirts for \$44.99 and suits for \$84.99. Finally don't forget to stop at Sandy's Unique Boutique at 3569 Mt. Diablo Blvd where the sales rack always carries that special attire like the cutest of dresses for \$65. Happy shopping!

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