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Argyle returns to the pro shop with a modern spin

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THE traditional Scottish argyle pattern has gotten a stylish update on today's golf courses. Asymmetric argyles were part of the American team's sharp and successful Ryder Cup kit in 2008, and young men have adopted the style for streetwear (you can get argyle flip-flops at Old Navy). More avant-garde designers have given the pattern all kinds of new twists, like the blood-splattered, skull-and-crossbones collage from Tattoo Golf. Even the stars of this year's British Open wore argyle: Tom Watson in a classic, V-neck Polo Ralph Lauren argyle sweater and Stewart Cink with his asymmetric argyle Nike golf shirt. It's an enduring motif that doesn't have to look fuddy-duddy, especially when combined with high-performing fabrics.



Classic Tom...



...vs. stylish Stew



Ashworth Garrison in nickel heather, \$90; ashworthinc.com

Greg Norman Argyle Zip-Mock Sweater, \$145; gregnormancollection.com



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