

From top:  
Emma Watson  
in *The Bling Ring*, Cavalli  
brooches and  
the Secret  
Garden Party



## IT'S ALL ABOUT... *The flash pack*

Hot-tub cinema, helicopter rides, bottomless champagne and plenty of bling. There's nothing understated about this summer

**O** utrageous, infamous and opulent; take a cue from Sofia Coppola's new movie *The Bling Ring* – about fame-obsessed Hollywood teens who rob celeb houses – and pimp your summer pronto. We're not suggesting you break into R-Patz's home (although we'd love a rummage), but **Hot Tub Cinema**, **Bottomless Champagne Afternoon Tea** (at London's flashy Intercontinental) and a glam **Ocean Liner Party** (SS: Atlantica sets sail on 27 July) – don't mind if we do.

Setting sail is de rigueur this season. Sip cocktails on a **Vestal Vodka Voyage** along London's Regent's Canal, celeb-stalk at the Chinawhite-hosted **Henley Royal Regatta** on 5-6 July or shake 'n' stir at **The Henley Festival's James Bond Gala Evening**. More of a festival gal? **Secret Garden Party** in Cambridgeshire is getting in on the act with its new lakeside Yacht Club Bar.

Be the (bling) ringleader and book a luxe

mini-break. **The Folly** – a hipster cottage in The Cotswolds with extras like helicopter rides and book-your-own-photographer – beats camping in the rain. London's **56 Welbeck Street** provides an equally swing-from-the-chandeliers getaway.

Noël Coward's decadent **Private Lives** (starring Anna Chancellor) is at the West End's Gielgud Theatre (until 21 Sept), **Swan Lake: Reloaded** (posh street dance!) comes to London's Coliseum on 6 August, while **Burton and Taylor** (with Dominic West and Helena Bonham Carter) is the jewel in BBC4's crown. Speaking of which, book now for the V&A's glam exhibition **Pearls**.

For AW13 style ideas, see **Dolce & Gabbana's** majestic crowns and bejewelled dresses, chandelier earrings from **Balmain**, and **Cavalli** sparkling butterfly brooches. But it's **Tom Ford** who gives the best lesson in OTT opulence. Tribal? Fur? Floral? All of the above? That's the spirit.

Maximum bling  
from Dolce  
& Gabbana  
and (below)  
Tom Ford



Bottomless  
Champagne  
Afternoon Tea

Balmain  
earrings (left)  
and BBC4's  
Burton and  
Taylor

