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Stella McCartney is now selling on Alibaba's Luxury Pavilion. Image credit: Stella McCartney

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The booming fashion industry is medieval in its approach to manufacturing and needs to modernize in order to radically cut the damage it is doing to the environment, British designer Stella McCartney has said, per Reuters.

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Luxury brands are notoriously controlling. A landmark ruling from the European Union's highest court late last year which held that U.S. cosmetics company Coty Inc. may legally block retailers from selling its products on online platforms, such as Amazon and eBay served as a reminder of just how far many of these sought-after names are willing (and legally able) to go to hold on to their carefully crafted auras of exclusivity, reports The Fashion Law.

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Type "Bobby Axelrod" into Google and the first recommendation that pops up is "Bobby Axelrod hoodie." So, to satisfy your curiosity: Mr. Axelrod, the cool-as-an-ice-cube-in-Alaska protagonist of Showtime's series "Billions," wears Loro Piana zip-ups. They're cashmere and just in case you're really interested in dressing like the man who makes the billions on "Billions," each one costs \$2,295, says the Wall Street Journal.

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