

# Charles L Thomas

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## ✦ About the Designer ✦



Designer, Charles L Thomas

Charles L. Thomas is quickly becoming one of the most refreshing up and coming handbag designers to arrive onto the scene. His creations are artistic but beautifully classic and bring quality to a whole new level. Thomas is setting a new standard of excellence by designing the perfect handbag that's fashion forward yet timeless. Understanding what a woman really needs and wants without compromising her femininity and ability to take on the challenges of life are clearly reflected in his work..

Charles' creativity began as a self-taught youngster who learned the skills necessary to set his passion into motion. By his early twenties, Thomas brought his originality, talent and well-honed skills to a new level. During his career as a ballroom dance instructor he became enamored with his fellow female dancers, so much so, they became his muses. He began to create elaborate ballroom dance gowns and sexy Latin costumes that were not only beautiful, but durable, functional and a literal extension of the dancer for whom it would adorn. This experience had a lasting impact on the creations of the future handbag designer. The challenges he overcame taught him valuable lessons in the art of blending style, quality, form, function and beauty.

In 2004, Charles L Thomas started his own label and as most legendary designers before him, he has been moved by an unparalleled ambition equal only to his incomparable passion for creative design.

Much thought, consideration, and hard work are evident in each and every handbag Thomas creates. By designing every creation from the inside out, the result is a stunningly beautiful, functional and well designed handbag through and through. Thomas is very much a hands on designer, paying particular attention to fine details. This ensures that his designs are not simply fashionable designs, but functional work of art. Although he acknowledges the trends, Thomas doesn't allow them to fully dictate his creations. Thomas' handbags come from his heart and his head, designed for the woman with discriminating taste, and are absolutely the perfect accessory to complement a woman's evolving wardrobe and life for years to come.

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## Fans of Charles L Thomas



"My favorite features of Charles L Thomas bags are the quality, functionality, and design. I love my new bags. I bought three!"

~Shari P., Marina delRey, CA

"I love my new handbag. I purchased the Paprika Spicy Shirley. The classic look is exquisite, while the handbag is very functional and has plenty of room. Definitely a great buy."

~Alicia M., Pasadena, CA.

"Just wanted to let you know I bought the paprika Spicy Shirley classic purse at the women's faire del mar. I have received so many compliments, " nice purse", "great looking purse," "smart looking purse." I sure am glad I bought from you. Always like to check out other items first. Yours was the best."

~Jinny E., Carlsbad, CA.

"I absolutely love love love my new Simone bag. It's style and function all wrapped up in this feminine look. The quality and detail is exceptional. Your attention to detail exceeds my expectation. The materials used knocks out the competition. I have many designer handbags from Gucci, Fendi, to LV and your quality and detail surpasses the bags I have. The Italian leather and micro fiber combination is just so luxurious. I'm so glad to have met you and look forward to your upcoming creations. Thank you Charles."

~Theresa Y., Oceanside, CA.

"I am absolutely in love with my new Shirley purse and couldn't be happier about my purchase. I was very happy to come across you and find my perfect handbag."

~Ashleigh W., Los Angeles, CA.

"I bought the Simone handbag and I am very impressed with the quality of this bag. It is truly very well made. I LOVE IT!"

~Donna H., Carlsbad, CA.

"The Shirley is just like she sounds, classic but fun! I love the elegant simplicity and the classic style that a woman can wear so well!"

~Kathy B., Carlsbad, CA

"I love The Claudia handbag! It's stylish and very high quality. I have the green trim color and it's beautiful and goes with everything. The bag is much more attractive than the picture shows. I would highly recommend the Charles L Thomas bags - the quality is wonderful."

~Sandy L., Encinitas, CA.

"I bought the Simone handbag. The quality is amazing. I look forward to using it for many years to come. I think it is stunning! I feel like I am carrying a one of a kind masterpiece. It is such a beautiful mix of mature lady charm and trendy young sophisticate."

~Renee M., Temecula, CA.

"Dear Charles, I've been using your great Shirley handbag almost every day. It's a very stylish but practical bag and I get compliments all the time!"

~Lauren R., San Diego, CA.

"I got the Jessica handbag for a friend of mine and I love it. It's beautiful! So much so that I bought another one for myself. You're a class act Charles."

~Judith M., San Diego, CA

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✦ The Collection Fall 2007 ✦

# the Spicy Shirley

Rich,  
exquisite,  
intoxicating

Item #  
SH-05



This exquisite creation is now available in an intoxicating Italian leather richly finished in three deliciously warm spicy colors to tempt your taste for the very best. Take a trip down the spice road in search of either exotic curry, sweet cinnamon, or hot paprika. Lined with a soft textured liner that's durable yet extremely luxurious. She stands 9" tall x 11" across and 4.25" in depth.

## Features include:

- \* magnetic flap closure
- \* two silver front snap turn lock closures
- \* grommets and flat purse feet
- \* leather framed side pocket and center zipper pocket w/ silver zipper pulls
- \* PDA pocket
- \* cell phone pocket
- \* key ring strap



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# the Claudia

Sophisticated,  
elegant,  
chic

Item #  
CL-01



Opal



Tarragon



Ochre



Indigo



Inside view of all colors

She's back... Bigger and better than ever! The combination of shapes and texture gives this unique creation a modern fashion forward style while still remaining classically elegant and chic. This structured design is adorned with a soft pebble grain woven fabric, trimmed with a smooth, polished rich genuine Italian leather and accented with brushed antique gold hardware. Lined with a quality red wine colored cotton. She stands 7" tall x 15 1/2" across and 5 1/2" in depth.

## Features include:

- \* sunken zipper top closer
- \* slide lock front accent
- \* leather framed inside zipper pocket
- \* cell phone pocket
- \* open PDA pocket
- \* key ring strap
- \* purse feet



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# the Raquel

Stylish,  
sexy,  
perrrfect

Item #  
RA-01



Imagine walking into room with this eye catching perrrfect companion in your hand. This beautifully structured and femininely shaped handbag combines a luxurious soft touch of genuine black and animal print calf hair combined with a rich glossy Italian leather and accented the brushed gold hardware. Lined with a simply gorgous gold satin that continues the sexy feel from the inside out. She stands 10" tall x 9" across x 4" in depth.

### Features include:

- \* sunken zipper top closer
- \* leather framed inside zipper pocket
- \* cell phone pocket
- \* key ring strap
- \* purse feet.



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## ✦ The Collection Fall 2007 ✦

# the Danielle

Fashionable,  
refined,  
subtle

**Item #**  
**DA-01**



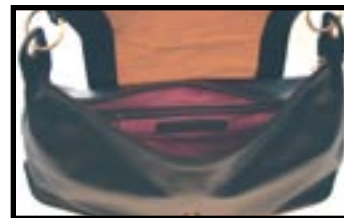
Forest Green



Midnight Black



Port Wine



Inside view of Midnight Black

This large shoulder bag combines style and sophistication without being what I call "over designed." It's unique strap detailing and streamline shape fits your arm and body like a glove. This bag was designed to be a staple in every woman's fashion diet. Rich Italian leather and accented with beautiful brushed gold buckles and hardware and lined with a rich red wine colored quality cotton just to add a touch of subtle yet refined glamour. She stands 9" tall x 16" across and 7" in depth.

### Features include:

- \* zipper top closure
- \* leather framed inside zipper pocket
- \* rear zipper pocket
- \* cell phone pocket
- \* PDA pocket
- \* key ring strap



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## ✦ The Collection Fall 2007 ✦

# the Kathy

Luxurious,  
stunning,  
fabulous

Item #  
KA-01



Bronze



Copper



Onyx



Inside view of the Bronze

**F**ashion forward, stunning and just plain fabulous! This fantastic creation is how the right balance of current trends, luxurious form and attention to feminine details means a handbag you will just love and love to show off. Crafted with softest yet durable Italian leather richly finished in three amazing colors to suit your finest taste and sense of style. Lined with a beautiful beige cotton. She stands 10 1/2 " tall x 13" across x 5" in depth.

### Features include:

- \* kiss lock purse frame top closure
- \* outside front flap pocket
- \* outside rear zipper pocket
- \* two side pockets and rear zipper pocket
- \* leather framed inside zipper pocket
- \* cell phone pocket
- \* PDA pocket
- \* key ring strap



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## ✦ Charles L Thomas in the Press ✦

The latest attention CLT handbags are receiving.



**HANDBAG**  
designer 101  
The Handbag Designer Resource

January 24, 2007

Charles L. Thomas on Handbag Designer 101

Selected as handbag designer of the week, Charles gives statistics on himself and his complete story on how he became the handbag the handbag designer he is today as well as showcasing a few of his creations.

 **IGUANA FASHIONS**  
INDIE FASHION BLOG CODE

January 22, 2007

New Charles L Thomas bags coming!

We had a request to feature more Charles L Thomas (CLT) bags, so we gladly obliged. The Iguana loves bags and CLT is one of our faves. By the way, Charles L Thomas is revealing his 2007 collection this month and we are definitely keeping our fingers on the pulse...stay tuned!



October 15, 2006

Fashionista Inc.com “A Modern Classic”

Not every handbag we carry has to be an abstract-shaped “shopper-chic” oversized satchel or a funky hipster clutch. There’s something to be said for a classic shape with a touch of old Hollywood glamour. Charles L. Thomas understands the appeal a modern classic can provide. A handbag that can remain in a woman’s wardrobe for years and never go out of style, the perfect choice for business, an elegant evening or a lady-like lunch.



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October 10, 2006

### Fashion Handbags by Leonard Simpson

**K**USI Good Morning San Diego "KUSI fashion expert Leonard Simpson was here showing us a few of the handbags from designer Charles L. Thomas



July 12, 2006

### Classic Glam Handbags

**L**isten to Charles' featured spot on internet radio talk about his passion, his handbags, and all that is classic glam in the world of fashion with Joe Swendoza and Allie.

BAGTRENDS  
BY PAMELA  
PEKERMEN

June 1, 2006

### Cameo Satchel Simone by Pamela Pekerman

**W**hen I was little, I would always admire my grandmother's jewelry. Even today, I'm still mesmerized by her amber necklaces, coral earrings and cocktail rings. But, it's the cameo pins, earrings and ring that I remember most from my youth. I've always been a lady trapped in a younger body, with a penchant for vintage looks. There was something magical and old school about that romantic, goddess-like face with her long, cascading curls.

**T**his beautiful combination of soft, antique, white leather and slate black beveled micro fiber is Victorian opulence with a modern lifestyle in mind - there's room for your PDA and cell. Simone is, of course, embellished with a cameo crafted by artists in the US with your choice of either a classic blue cameo or a sweet lilac cameo. I'll take the sweet lilac, thank you!



May 6, 2006

### NBC 7/39 Morning News Show in San Diego

**C**harles L Thomas was featured on NBC 7/39's San Diego News Show on Saturday, May 6th, 2006. Charles was invited to speak about himself, his fabulous handbag line, and his Mother's Day promotion, "Mama's got a brand new bag!"



April 6, 2006

### Couture in the City

**T**his year I am trying something different: I am buying gifts BEFORE holidays, not on the day of.

Mother's Day is just around the corner and as I was searching for a beautiful, but affordable gift for mi Madre, I stumbled upon Charles L. Thomas' hot handbag line.

Handbags are the perfect gift in my opinion because not only is the bag a gift in itself, you can fill it with blissful beauty products or hot to trot accessories.



March 6, 2006

### Five Star Reviews by: Lisa Tobin

**O**ne of our most anticipated new vendors on our new e-commerce site, GoShopYourself.com is Charles L. Thomas, a ballroom dancer turned handbag designer whose couture creations stress beauty, comfort and simplicity. With chic handbags made of only the finest materials, Charles's designs boast grace and beauty that ranks well up the fashion food chain. Louis Vuitton, eat your heart out! We spoke to Charles about his passion for design.

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Handbags and shoes...  
What a perfect combination!

Come see all of his beautiful handbag creations  
and meet designer  
Charles L Thomas  
at the WSA show in fabulous Las Vegas  
July, 30-August 1, 2007

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