## Furs Furs **Furs** In the forefront of fall fashion

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Don't settle for something as soft as a kitten's ear if you can manage chin-chilla or silky beaver.

Furs this season are a delicious feast for the eye and a delight to the touch as well. Color, shape and length are all part of the message.

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FURS CAN be at home in a football stadium, the local ice rink, on a shopping trip, in the poshest of restaurants or just out for a walk, she discovered. What milady has to decide is what



Snug as any bug, a warm fur hood is the answer to anyone's prayers when the chill winds be-gin to blow. Some hoods are made to be detachable for more made to be detachable for more versatility (above). George Tunis of Furs by Bricker designed the shadow fox coat (at right) with raccoon inserts. As fashion dictates this season, it has slim lines and a new smaller collar but still can bring warming comfort on a brisk day. Squared shoulders are still another trademark of the season.

> Photographed Gary Friedman

she wants her fur, or her fur wardrobe to do for her, beyond keeping her warm.

As for the designers and furriers, they continue to make new moves such as crocheting mink and oppossum and adding their own personal touches.

If opting for an unusual color, such a green, blue stripe or wine seems impractical, then a down-to-earth buyer will find furs are being fashioned that can be worn several ways. Some are even reversible.

"The worst thing is the prices," one local merchant lamented. "They're just astionomical."

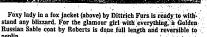
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fur business. And furs are looking younger beause of it.

LONG-HAIRED FURS, such as fox and lynx, remain strong favorites and raccom is still a big, big contender. But don't overlook fox bellies, coyete, and the new resurgence of super soft chinchilla, now in silver gray and rich beautiful to the still open the silver gray and rich beautiful to the still open to the silver gray and rich beautiful to the silver should be silver









From rich Russian fitch to sportive raccoon, fall's crop of furs is a bountiful harvest. At left, straight lines in a stroller length jacket distinguish a fitch-packet by Bricker's with detachable hood-scarl. The interplay of horizontal and vertical fur add to the eye appeal. Above, a raccoon greateoat with notel collar is a great thing to take along on a stroll through your flavorties shopping mall. This one goes as well with jeans and shirt as it would with a slinky cocktail dress or a pleated skirt and the new shorter boots.



