

The Neck's Best Thing...

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Not surprisingly, a sparkling engagement ring often takes center stage, but most wedding gowns call for another co-star on the big day: a necklace. Strapless dresses and open necklines transform a bride's décolletage into a blank canvas made for a show-stopping accessory close to the heart. Whether an ornate diamond pendant, a strand of colored stones (*something blue*, perhaps) or heirloom pearls, the right necklace can pull everything together from head-to-toe and make a real statement. Bravo!



Clockwise from top: Bouquet blue topaz necklace by A & Furst at Zadok Jewelers, 713.960.8950. Round, sterling silver cross pendant over dark blue quartz, with 18K yellow gold and white sapphire accents by JudeFrances Jewelry at Deutsch & Deutsch, 713.627.7787. Diamond and blue topaz drop necklace with 18K in white

gold by DeVille Fine Jewelry, 281.501.3810. Pear-shaped 10.74-carat sapphire pendant by JB Star at Lewis Diamonds & Timepieces, 281.332.8433. Platinum and diamond South Sea pearl necklace at Tenenbaum & Co., 713.629.7444.

