

# Glancing at golfwear

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Now men can enjoy the comfort of stretch pants on the golf course . . . No, they're not the cute little pink or blue slacks with foot stirrups that women wear . . . These are truly masculine slacks that look like a regular pair of men's slacks—but put them on and move around and you'll feel the difference, the comfort and mobility.

About three months ago, *DiFini* put these slacks on the market and they have been the unexpected pleasure of those who have bought and worn them . . . The fabric contains Lycra, *DuPont's* elastic textile fiber that gives and returns to its original shape . . . The slacks stretch horizontally up to a total of two inches, including the waistband that has Lycra sewn into it.

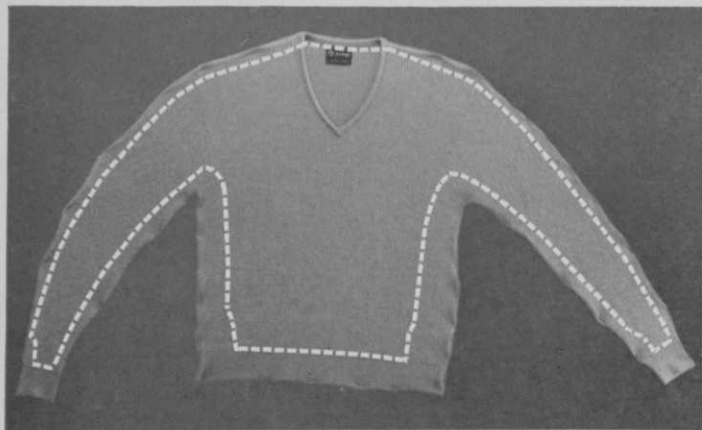
One of the newest methods used for stretch clothes is core-spun fabrics, and it's used in these slacks . . . The core-spun method employs an elastic fiber (such as Lycra) around which are assembled fibers that normally do not stretch (such as Dacron and cotton) . . . On the surface, the fabric gives the appearance of a regular Dacron and cotton fabric,

washes and resists wrinkles in the same way . . . But in each yard is the core of the elastic fiber, which will provide the stretch and recovery.

Stretch fabrics have been used extensively in women's wear with great acceptance, and the men's market is beginning to move along with it . . . It's ideal for sportswear and soon all clothing will possess some degree of stretch.

In addition to stretch slacks, this fall will see many stretch sweaters for men. The sweaters possess a two-way stretch (horizontally and vertically) . . . These should not be confused with ordinary knit sweater fabrics, which have a slight amount of give, but would not return completely to their original shape after stretching . . . Stretch sweaters are made of yarns that stretch and return to their original shape (see photo).

The five most important places that clothing should stretch are across the back, along the upper arm, at the elbow, at the knee and across the seat . . . Combine the stretch slacks and sweaters and the golfer can have complete freedom from clothing confinement. •



*One of the new stretch sweaters shows its paces. Dotted lines indicate normal size.*