

SAMIKA

2026 first edition



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lets enjoy a meal with Samika





Juan Miguel in the Apsara Midi

Pleated Skirt

Photo: Vincent Zheng

Styling: Pauline Deparalta





Food in so many cultures is a crucial part of community and tradition. In this shoot we really wanted to showcase the beauty of Cambodian food and the family it creates between the people who share a meal together. In Cambodian families everything is meant to be shared and savored together. In this spread we have a mix of dishes supplied by our resident Cambodian restaurant Bong housed in Crown Heights, some of the dishes include traditional Na Taing and pomello salad as well as herbs used in many Cambodian dishes throughout the table spread.

Table spread and set design done by Angelina Heng.



Photo: [_anxphotography_](#)
Set design: Sophia Tech















Tim Chiverton in the waffle tank
dress
Photo-: Vincent Zheng
Styling: Paulline Deparalta



In honor of my Tout, my great grandmother, Samik.

This first edition is an ode to the first presentation of Samika. Samika is a love letter to my culture and my family. The name itself is not only my middle name but a representation of the blend of my two cultures. I created this brand and collection as a way for me to not only honor and pay homage to my culture but to allow people to explore the beauty of Cambodia in fashion.

I want to make a special thank you to Angelina Heng and Avery Mohan, not only my best friends but my creative confidants and muses. Both of whom have supported me through thick and thin and taking over our very very small apartment. I truly couldn't ask for better best friends,

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with all my love,
Sophia Samika Tech





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