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### **From Wall Street to Street Fair – Silk Braces Are Back, and Better than Ever**

Not that they ever went away... Braces hold up more than pants, they hold up tradition. Invented in 1822 to hold up high-waisted trousers, today's braces (also called suspenders in the United States) are worn by celebrities from Daniel Craig as James Bond to Michael Douglas as Gordon Gekko, and of course Larry King, as himself.

The pinnacle of men's braces is considered by many (GQ, Esquire, and New York Times) to be Trafalgar's Limited Edition Hand Woven Silk Braces. These braces famously depict hobbies, avocations and notable events in a style reminiscent of Norman Rockwell's paintings, or vintage illustrations.

For example, Trafalgar Limited Edition Braces are available in a [Skull & Crossbones](#) pattern favored by secret societies and fashion hounds, a [Heraldic Coat of Arms](#), and even [Pin Up art](#). 100% silk with full grain leather ends and English solid cast metal hardware each pair of Trafalgar Limited Edition Braces is hand numbered and strictly limited, and made in the United States.

The weaving of silk ribbon for Trafalgar Limited Edition Braces is done on century old French looms employing age old techniques. Even the most adept craftsman can produce no more than 5 meters of narrow silk ribbon per day. The supply of fabric is limited by the small number of remaining antique looms and the dwindling number of artisans with the skills and inclination to tend them.

Many consider Trafalgar limited edition braces to be not only collectibles, but wearable works of art. As life at home and abroad becomes more technologically advanced and the availability of quality hand-crafted products diminished, the allure of Trafalgar limited edition braces continues to increase.

This holiday season Trafalgar Limited Edition braces are available at [www.trafalgarstore.com](http://www.trafalgarstore.com), and fine men's stores.

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