

London

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Our fashion
month focus
continues



after-show clutch...

ALEXANDER MCQUEEN

London Fashion Week parties call for exquisite *and* edgy accessories. Cue Alexander McQueen's brocade and velvet box clutch with jewel-embellished knuckle-duster. No cocktail rings required.

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PORTIA FREEMAN



NADIA SARWAR



ROSALIND JANA

home girls...
ONES TO WATCH

As show-goers arrive in London this week, the city's best dressed will be out in force. We'll be looking out for model Portia Freeman and bloggers Rosalind Jana and Nadia Sarwar – one an English rose from the country, the other a Midlands girl with East End edge.

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sole mates...
JEFFERSON HACK & TOD'S

To celebrate *Dazed & Confused* co-founder Jefferson Hack's No_Code shoe collaboration with Tod's, he took to the streets of London with Instagram photographer Cameron Alexander. From leopard brogues to metallic lizard loafers, each dapper flat is showcased in an exclusive shoot.

FIND OUT MORE ▶



classic vs new...
FINE DINING

We reveal why Scott's and White Rabbit top our favorite restaurant list: rollover the images for more.



What's in your LFW suitcase?

I usually wear more colors and patterns in London, so lots of printed separates and bold dresses. I'll also take oversized sweaters to layer over the top and my biker boots, which I'll wear with skirts or jeans.

Favorite London shows?

Erdem for the beautiful prints, McQ Alexander McQueen for the details and dresses and Christopher Kane to see what's next.

Handbag or hands free?

I tend to just carry a notepad, pen and invite and tuck my phone into my pocket.

GET KONCA'S LOOK ▶



trend topic...
BLACK & WHITE

This season's key looks come in high definition



STYLE TIP

Use Miu Miu's monochrome belt to cinch slouchy LBDs and oversized shirts.



3.1 PHILLIP LIM



STYLE TIP

Pair 3.1 Phillip Lim's magnified houndstooth dress with metallic boots and bare legs.



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STRIDING HIGH

It's the season of the statement legging and London label Les Chiffoniers is leading the way

Les Chiffoniers is back and so are British designer Leena Similu's trademark glam-rock leggings. Similu, who trained at Jil Sander and Stella McCartney before launching her label, has reworked her cult designs for fall in hot hues and floral prints. Alongside the signature leggings are covetable separates with everything from velvet sweatshirts, relaxed knits and sheer appliqué tees. The collection also features standout striped leather track-pants that fuse sport influences with an uptown spin. Fans of the strides include front-row regulars Kate Moss and Rosie Huntington-Whiteley.

STYLE TIP
Bold leggings and a sheer embellished tee make for a directional evening look.





STYLE TIP
Offset head-to-toe
monochrome with
baroque jewels
and wow heels.

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ESTEBAN'S *new* ADVENTURE

Fashion's wunderkind is back in the spotlight. Esteban Cortazar's new collection feels modern, linear and elegant

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STYLING BY ESTEBAN CORTAZAR



This page: blouse, skirt and sandals by Esteban Cortazar
Previous page: dress, sandals and choker by Esteban Cortazar

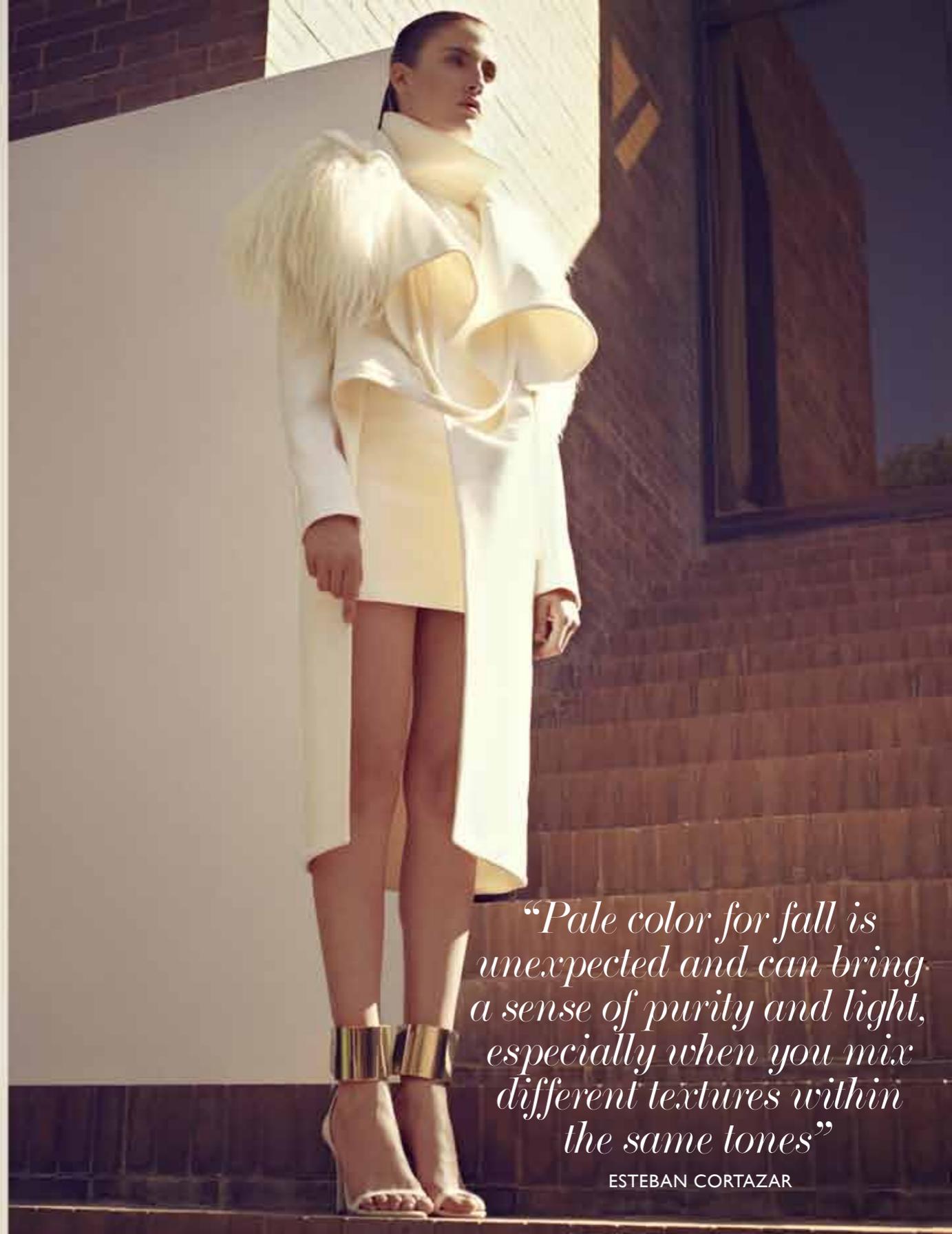
“The key to simple dressing is feeling comfortable and spontaneous with yourself”

ESTEBAN CORTAZAR

It’s hard to believe just how much Esteban Cortazar has already accomplished. He launched his own line ten years ago at the age of 18, became creative director at Ungaro at 23 and is now – aged 28 – relaunching his own label exclusive to NET-A-PORTER. Characterized by trans-seasonal clothes, accessories and shoes in a beautifully bleached-out palette, the 30-piece mix includes a sleeveless jumpsuit with a caped back, a belted wool coat with a removable fur gilet and an asymmetrical dress with cut-out details, all of which speaks of simplicity and finesse. “I wanted to capture a sense of purity through sensual and sculptural lines, evoking movement and light that caress the female form,” the designer tells us. “I’ve explored a balance between soft tailoring and draping techniques. I love that there is something for everyone; we’ve created a head-to-toe vision.” Be prepared to fall in love.

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Left: Top, choker
and rings by
Esteban Cortazar
Right: Coat and
sandals by Esteban
Cortazar



“Pale color for fall is unexpected and can bring a sense of purity and light, especially when you mix different textures within the same tones”

ESTEBAN CORTAZAR



Dress and rings by
Esteban Cortazar



Dress, rings
and sandals by
Esteban Cortazar

Jacket, top, pants,
sandals and rings by
Esteban Cortazar



*“The best way to wear
minimal shapes is by
layering and transforming
the pieces to create your
own personal style”*

ESTEBAN CORTAZAR



Left: Dress, sandals
and rings by
Esteban Cortazar
Right: Dress and rings
by Esteban Cortazar



*“Your hair and makeup
should be done to match
your mood, but always
with a sense of ease”*

ESTEBAN CORTAZAR



Jacket, blouse, skirt
and sandals by
Esteban Cortazar



*“The best way to
accessorize your look is
with jewelry that has a
harder edge and something
of a warrior feel”*

ESTEBAN CORTAZAR

Jumpsuit and rings by
Esteban Cortazar

leather RULES

From rebel hit to wardrobe mainstay, leather leggings are style saviors, says Natalie Rigg

Cropped, quilted, dyed or studded: leather pants are now a major fashion player. Once a closet signature of '70s punk rockers and radical bikers, they have become the go-to for chic urbanites. So when did they re-enter our style conscience? The runway resurgence kicked off in 2007 at Haider Ackermann and The Row, where skin-on-skin designs were worn in place of jeans with sharp tailoring – repositioning the edgy item as a luxe, everyday staple. Fast forward to 2012 and our love for leather leggings shows no sign of abating, with front-row mavens such as Emmanuelle Alt continuing to stride out in them season after season. For fall, they're reworked in more guises than ever before. How will you wear yours?

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THE CROP
Team flood-length pants with high-heeled boots or pumps to draw the eye to the crop





THE COLOR
For an alternative to timeless tones, step out in the new berry hues. Sync separates in the same palette for a modern edge.



THE CLASSIC
Pep a traditional pair of black leggings with a bright jacket and heels to give them an uptown spin



four other **WAYS TO WORK IT**



Caroline Issa



Jessica Hart



Anais Pouliot



Jourdan Dunn



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NEW YORK *notes*

With fashion month in full swing, US Editor Tracy Taylor reveals how to look front-row fabulous

Sound the style alarm – it's show season! Spring 2013? Bring it on. As someone who eats, sleeps and breathes fashion, this is the most exciting event on the TT calendar. I've shed tears at Gucci, felt chills at Alexander McQueen and marveled at the magic of Marc Jacobs. Think back to the anticipation of the first day at school – a school full of very well-dressed people – and multiply by 10,000.



As a fashion editor, I have to be on my outfit A-game for four weeks straight, so making sure my wardrobe inspires as much as the runway is vital.

Even for the most seasoned of show veterans, this is quite the task. The goal is to create looks that are chic yet versatile enough to work in every situation, from lunches on the fly to late-night dancing at No.8.

It's a case of careful packing with separates that mix and match like a dream. But here's the thing: fashion week is

also a prime opportunity to push boundaries and go all-out in the season's star pieces. Take London stylist Victoria Young's glittery Miu Miu shades, or Anna Dello Russo's jewel-adorned dresses – both glamorous and on-trend, but fabulously playful, too.

Right now, my packing choices for Milan and Paris are all about the thrill factor – one key statement

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piece that adds kapow to an outfit. Be it a golden brocade skirt, supersized earrings or a sparkling clutch, I'm never seen without one mouth-watering item. So, without further ado, here are the three winning pieces that fulfil the front-row criteria and tick off fall's key trends.

First up: the contrast sleeve. Seen on tops, dresses and jackets in a mash-up of colors and tactile textures such as perforated leather; it's sporty, luxe and just plain cool.

Next, it's all about the statement sweater, which, when worn with pop-bright pants or a side-slit maxi skirt, looks seriously chic. Lastly, I'm feeling the embellished pant – it's the ultimate 24/7 choice. I'm teaming mine with an understated tee and color-block sandals for day and night. And there you have it. Until next time, enjoy.

TT xx

Tracy's style solutions

THE CONTRAST SLEEVE

Ankle boots and pop-bright gems add a playful spin to a sports-luxe shift



THE STATEMENT SWEATER

Window-pane checks look striking with a graphic skirt and tote



THE FANCY PANTS

Do opulence the fall way: team brocade pants with neon heels and a bejeweled bib necklace



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THE BEAUTY EDIT

Because no chic outfit is complete without makeup to match...



on the runway... BACK TO BASICS

Dewy skin, rosebud lips and barely there mascara – girl-next-door beauty comes to the fore this fall. “It’s fresh and simple. Everything is flawless,” says Aaron de Mey of the pared-back faces he honed at Chloé. Makeup essentials? A sheer foundation, nourishing balm and just a smudge of illuminating blush – naturally.



ISABEL MARANT



CHLOÉ

“It’s fresh and simple. Everything is flawless”

AARON DE MEY, MAKEUP ARTIST



beauty insider...
YUNA PARK

Sixty seconds with New York's nail artist extraordinaire

How did you become a nail artist?

I worked in salons for years, then got my big break after makeup expert Linda Cantello took me under her wing. The '98 Yves Saint Laurent couture runway show was my first big job.

What inspires your work?

It all starts with the collections – I collaborate with the designer and we come up with the artwork together.

Three hot nail trends for fall?

Deep metallic reds and purple colors. I also love snakeskin-print nails.

Your go-to nail products?

I make cuticle oil by blending almond, avocado and vitamin E. For shaping and polish, I use Nail Tek and Essie.

Expert advice?

Make a habit of regularly pushing your cuticles back. Do this every time you wash your hands or whenever you're on the phone and they won't grow.



hair do...
WET-LOOK WAVES

With their artfully drenched locks and bandanas, the Rykiel crew is all about hair with attitude. Stylist Guido Palau saturated hair in Redken Guts 10 Root Targeted Volume Spray Foam and let it air-dry to get a tough, undone effect.



THE LAST WORD... FREDERIC MALLE'S CARNAL FLOWER SCENT IS REMIXED AS A HAIR MIST WITH A LIGHTER FORMULA BUT THE SAME SPICY NOTES WE ALL KNOW AND LOVE.



CULTURE & STYLE

This week's global hotlist of film, music, art and more

THEATRE GALLIC CHARM

Juliette Binoche is back on the London stage this month in *Mademoiselle Julie*, in which she plays a wealthy woman who has an affair with a servant. The best bit? The costumes by Lanvin's Alber Elbaz. *September 20-29; barbican.org.uk*

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PHOTOGRAPHY BOOK PRETTY PIN-UPS

Remember the bikini shot of *Dr No*'s Ursula Andress and those classic Bettie Page images? Photographer Bunny Yeager's pioneering shots are collected in new book *Bunny Yeager's Darkroom* (Rizzoli), with a foreword by Dita Von Teese.

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MOVIE
BACK TO SCHOOL

Two new movies take us back to the classroom this month: *Liberal Arts* sees Elizabeth Olsen play a student who falls for an older man, while *The Perks Of Being A Wallflower* stars Emma Watson (left) as one of three school outcasts in the early '90s. Expect nostalgia aplenty.

GET THE LOOK



MUSIC
BRIT GIRL

Lianne La Havas is fast becoming fashion's favorite voice. She stole the spotlight at Moschino Cheap & Chic's fall show with her neo-soul vocals and counts model Cara Delevingne among her famous fans. We caught up with the south London beauty ahead of her first solo tour to talk style and sound.



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ART
RUSSIAN EVOLUTION

We love a people-watching opportunity and with the Russian art-collector crowd being so super-stylish, there's no better place than *Art Moscow* to get spotting. The city's international art fair showcases the best emerging and established artists from 40 galleries around the world. Look out for three big-player galleries from Iran, a special section of young Russian talent and several surprise pop-up projects.

September 19-23; art-moscow.ru



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the PERFECT MISMATCH

Mix up your textures, play with print and get busy with layering – this is fashion's coolest clash

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