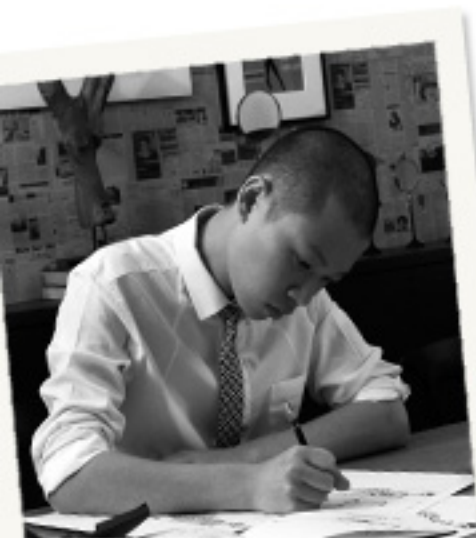


# FASHION FILE

Essential style news you need to know now



## sole man... JASON WU

"I had an urban warrior woman in mind," says Wu of his latest line of dramatic shoes. Here, we catch up with the New York designer to talk styling tips and tough-luxe decoration.

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LONG

SHORT

### LONG

Give above-the-elbow gloves the exposure they deserve with cap sleeves. Bottega Veneta offsets a long leather style with a polished skirt suit.

### SHORT

For a more casual take, push up the sleeves of a quilted jacket to reveal a short studded pair such as these at Burberry Prorsum.

**SHOP LONG VS SHORT ▶**

*ear to ear...*  
**BOLD JEWELS**

Oversized baroque earrings are everywhere this season, so dare to wear them in an unexpected way. Try with off-duty boyfriend jeans, or team with a sleek shirt and leather leggings at work.

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*designer confidential...*  
**MISSONI**

We uncover Angela Missoni's artfully layered FW12 collection



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*instant update...*  
**DO THE POWER SHOULDER**

The first lady of fashion, Anna Wintour, is renowned for wearing a jacket primly over her shoulders, but now the street-style set is taking the trend further. See how the likes of Hanneli Mustaparta (left) do it with city shorts, bare legs and knee-high boots – it's casual yet incredibly chic.

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# CYBER CHIC

*These are the high-shine pieces you need to go future fabulous*



CHIC STEAL



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**STYLE TIP**  
Try a metallic leather jacket over a cocktail dress for glamorous cool. Glitter jeans make a great alternative to denim.

**STYLE TIP**  
This trend is all about texture, so have fun with the mix. Patent, lamé and chainmail say it best.



CHIC STEAL



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*dressing from the*  
**FEET**  
**UP**

*When shoes are this spectacular, building your outfit around them makes perfect sense...*



**STYLE TIP**  
 Let bold, color-block heels dictate the palette of your outfit.



**STYLE TIP**  
 An athletic body-con dress is the perfect complement to sports-luxe sandals.



"I dress from the feet upwards on a daily basis," says shoe designer Charlotte Dellal, whose retro-glamour look stems from a passion for '50s-inspired pumps. Heel aficionado Nicholas Kirkwood concurs: "the Kirkwood girl styles from the ground up." In a season where head-turning heels and standout flats are key, it's only logical to let each pair set the tone of your outfit. Slip into Mulberry's sports-luxe sneakers and it feels right to add athletic cuts. Rock Chloé's dapper loafers and you'll find that a slick pantsuit is the ideal pairing. Here, we spotlight three chic showgoers who have toe-to-top dressing all sewn up.



**STYLE TIP**  
 Match gold pumps with dazzling accessories for night.



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*most wanted...*  
**NEON  
HEIGHTS**

*Take your wardrobe to the next level*

You heard it here first – the single-sole stiletto is the heel of the season. The hottest styles to step out in? Jil Sander's sporty ankle strap heels with flashes of fluoro. Guaranteed to add a shot of cool to everything from pencil skirts to brocade pants.

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*the*  
**SHOE**  
**GUIDE**  
*FW12*

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# *the silent* MASTER

*For 25 years, Pierre Hardy has quietly crafted shoes for fashion's biggest names. Yet, as Becky Sunshine discovers, his work speaks for itself*

He's created lines for Dior, Hermès and Balenciaga and is beloved of industry insiders, but now Pierre Hardy is finally getting the acclaim he deserves for his own 13-year-old label. Architectural, elegant and infused with fine-art references (Hardy is a trained artist), it is the epitome of Parisian chic. We speak to him about his new collection and the trick to stylish dressing.

**Your shoes for fall/winter feel architectural and modern. Was that the intention?**

It's almost always what I aim for. Modernist doesn't only mean cubes and abstraction and architecture – it can be soft and curvy, too.



SOFIA GUELLATY



ANNA DELLO RUSSO



**Tell us about your use of color and metallics.**

It used to scare me, but I think my use of color has matured. I've discovered that it's a vocabulary that can radically change the feeling of a collection. I try to use color to transform, or to offer a new vision. I love metallic because it makes shoes look like jewels or cars, which are two things I love.

**We love the mix of textures. Can you explain why you've done that?**

When I choose a material with a specific texture, or two or three on the same shoe, it is like dressing someone with different clothes.

**Platforms have reigned for so long; now we're into the single sole. So what's next?**

Thank goodness we are out of big platforms that make girls look like those "real housewives" on TV.



*"Women should dress from the feet up. Shoes are linked to how you feel and the character you play"*

PIERRE HARDY

For the future, I don't know, because fashion is very versatile. But a little plateau can help to give a flattering higher heel.

**Who would you love to see wearing your shoes?**

Definitely Jessica Chastain; I loved her in *The Tree Of Life*.

**Do you think women should dress from the shoes up, or from the clothes down?**

From the shoes up, of course – it's how I proceed most of the time. I think that shoes are linked to how you feel and with the character you're ready to play.

**Do you have a shoe muse?**

No, I don't design projecting the woman who will wear the shoes. I use my own images of beauty, or color, shapes and graphics that have impressed me. My inspiration comes from beyond fashion.



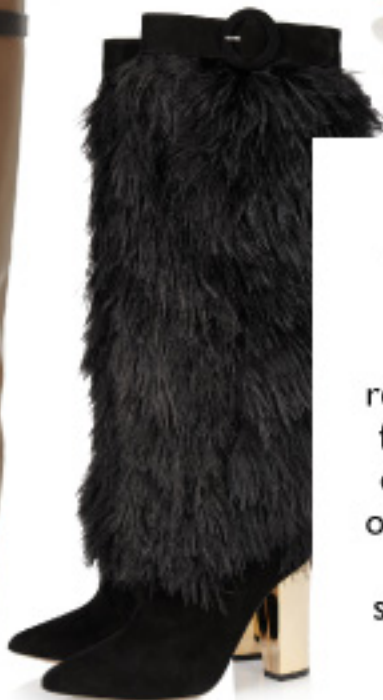
From left: Elisa Nalin, Eva Chen and Alexandra Golovanoff

**SHOP PIERRE HARDY ▶**



# THE SHOE GUIDE

Whether you're big on baroque or need a vertiginous heel, there's a pair for everyone this season. Here's our roundup of fall's finest



ALEXANDER WANG



## STYLE TIP

Fringed boots have a '70s feel to them – make them modern by wearing over jeans

## *Knee high*

Whether fringed, embellished, python print or wedged, knee-high boots have been reinvented in a multitude of ways for fall. Choose a classic pair to dress down a jewel-detail skirt, or add a playful twist to a draped jersey cocktail dress with something a little more opulent.

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MARNI

### STYLE TIP

Let your shoes do the talking and pair mixed-metallic boots with a minimalist LBD.



### High shine

Glossy patent and metallic leather heels lend a futuristic edge to any outfit. Maximize their impact by wearing embroidered pants, or team with a sleek black tuxedo for an alternative cocktail look.

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### Classically chic

This fall is all about the original single-sole stiletto and there are plenty of styles to choose from.

Try the new midi heels from Giuseppe Zanotti or Givenchy, red patent pumps at Yves Saint Laurent or go glitter-sprayed at Miu Miu.

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### STYLE TIP

Wear this classic shoe shape with everything from pencil skirts to slim-fit pants.



ISABEL MARANT



**STYLE TIP**

Give day dresses an exciting edge with a biker jacket and rock-star shoes.



LANVIN

*Rock star*

Complete with studs, buckles and platforms, the glam-rock look is a bold choice for fall. Seek out Isabel Marant, Chloé and Alexander McQueen for footwear with attitude.

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*Modernist mood*

It's time to sharpen up your shoe wardrobe. Go for sculptural heels, such as those at Yves Saint Laurent, graphic monochrome and orange wedges from Pierre Hardy or why not try Christian Louboutin's heel-less platforms – an architectural work of art.

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**STYLE TIP**

Team sharp shoe shapes with stiff peplums and power shoulders for maximum effect.



STELLA MCCARTNEY



## Opulent excess

Go for a sumptuous blend of the most decadent materials, from brocade and silks to jeweled finishes saturated with color. And wear with confidence – more is definitely more.

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LANVIN

### STYLE TIP

Cropped pants or pencil skirts are the best way to show off exit shoes.



ALEXANDER MCQUEEN

### STYLE TIP

Be bold: wear detail-heavy heels with an equally statement-making evening gown for double the drama.



## Dramatic exit

Look behind you! It's all about lavish heels or surprising soles, as designers turn their attention to the back. We're talking sculpted, sparkling and patterned – it's the hottest way to get noticed.

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# SMOOTH OPERATOR

*From expertly cut capes to sleek tulip skirts and sharp city shorts, leather has been reinvented for the new season*

*PHOTOGRAPHS BY BENNY HORNE  
STYLING BY NATALIE BREWSTER*





*Previous page, left: coat by Rick Owens; shorts by Michael Kors; shoes by Jason Wu; earrings and ring by Yves Saint Laurent. Right: coat and pants by Gucci; sweater by Valentino; boots by Altuzarra; necklace by Marni; rings by Maison Martin Margiela. This page, left: jacket by A.L.C.; dress by Versace; earrings by Pamela Love; bracelet and ring by Yves Saint Laurent; ring by Bottega Veneta. Right: top by Balmain; pants by Diane von Furstenberg; shoes and ring by Yves Saint Laurent; ring by Aurélie Bidermann*

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Left: stole by Marni; shirt by Miu Miu; pants by Mulberry; shoes by Proenza Schouler; earrings by Eddie Borgo; belt by Yves Saint Laurent; bracelet by Burberry; bracelet by Alexander McQueen.  
Right: jacket by Helmut Lang; dress by Derek Lam; earrings by Tom Binns; earrings by Erickson Beamon; gloves by Todd Lynn



Left: cape by Valentino;  
top by Maje; pants and  
gloves by Yves Saint  
Laurent; shoes by  
Dolce & Gabbana;  
earrings by Aurélie  
Bidermann.

Right: jacket and skirt  
by Proenza Schouler;  
top by Etro; earrings  
and ring by Yves Saint  
Laurent; ring by  
Dominic Jones; ring by  
Aurélie Bidermann



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Left: top by Michael Kors; skirt by Chloé; boots by Alexander Wang; earrings by Eddie Borgo; gloves by Versace.

Right: jacket and skirt by Lanvin; top by Yves Saint Laurent; boots by Oscar de la Renta; snood by MICHAEL Michael Kors; belt by Chloé; cuff by Eddie Borgo; cuff by Aurélie Bidermann





Left: blouse by Chloé;  
skirt by Haider  
Ackermann; boots by  
Isabel Marant; earrings  
by Gucci; necklace by  
Lanvin.

Right: jacket by Hakaan;  
blouse and shorts by  
Valentino; shoes by  
Christian Louboutin,  
earrings by Bottega  
Veneta; ring by Lanvin

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*need to know...*  
**SURF'S UP**

Don't stow away your swimsuit just yet. New indoor fitness workout SurfSET is causing a splash on US shores. Through a series of intense, surf-inspired movements, it promises to tone, heighten agility and strengthen core muscles.

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*body basics...*  
**WALK THIS WAY**

Look-at-me heels call for flawless feet. Podiatrist to the stars Margaret Dabbs shares her tips...

*1. Exfoliate*

Use a foot file on dry skin to target problem areas. Use a file with crystal technology for an even finish.

*2. Shape*

Basic but essential: keep nails tidy and cuticles in check between treatments with a crystal nail file.

*3. Moisturize*

Spray feet with a dedicated oil product three times a week to keep skin nourished and supple.

**SHOP STANDOUT SANDALS ▶**



**THE  
BEAUTY  
EDIT**

*No chic outfit is complete without makeup to match...*

*beauty insider...*  
**BONNIE CHEN**

The up-and-coming Chinese model takes 60 seconds out of her busy schedule to talk skincare, fitness and makeup essentials...

**How did you become a model?**

My mom signed me up for the Elite Model Look competition when I was 16 years old and I won!

**Ultimate career highlight to date?**

Being shot by Steven Meisel for a fashion story in *US Vogue* this year was a moment I'll never forget.

**Talk me through your daily skincare routine...**

I cleanse my face with a Clarisonic, then apply an SPF-based moisturizer whether it's sunny or not. I also do hot yoga three times a week to clear my pores.

**Top three beauty essentials?**

Clarins Double Serum treatment, Jurlique Rosewater Balancing Mist and Bioderma Cleansing Water.

**Your signature scent?**

I've been wearing Cool Water by Davidoff for over six years. It's androgynous and I love it.

**SHOP BONNIE'S STYLE ▶**



*micro trend...*  
**TWIN SETS**

Matching hues on fingertips and lips is the smartest beauty trend this fall. Look to Donna Karan, where Charlotte Tilbury teams up deep burgundy tones for avant-garde elegance, or to Jason Wu, where neon-coral pouts are paired with same-shade nails.

*in the bag...*  
**MAKEUP MUSTS**

We talk to some of fashion's most fabulous faces to discover the products they can't live without...



# CULTURE & STYLE

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

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*inspiration...*  
**'70S ROCK**

It's the decade that keeps on giving. 1970s glam-rock references studded fall's runways, from platform boots to leather leggings, and Hedi Slimane's first Saint Laurent Paris collection is rumored to be heavily influenced by David Bowie. Meanwhile, two huge rock books have just been published: *Trampled Under Foot: The Power And Excess Of Led Zeppelin* (Faber and Faber) by Barney Hoskyns is a history of the legendary band, and Philip Norman's biography of the most inimitable of front men, *Mick Jagger* (HarperCollins), is a must-read.

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*art...*  
**FASHIONABLE  
 FRIEZE**

London's Frieze Art Fair, now in its ninth year at Regent's Park, has become the London Fashion Week of the art world. Past attendees include Elle Macpherson, Valentino, Alber Elbaz and Francisco Costa, while Phoebe Philo's art dealer husband, Max Wigram, is among the exhibitors. There is nowhere more chic to get your art fix. *October 11-14; frizelondon.com*



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*photography...*  
**GOOD ENOUGH  
 TO EAT**



Fashion photographer Todd Selby has a new obsession: food. *Edible Selby* (Abrams), focuses on top international chefs, combining illustrations, vibrant images and mouthwatering recipes.



*travel...*  
**LIGHT THERAPY**

If you want to recharge your batteries, head to a Thalassa spa. The Quiberon site in Brittany, France, opened in the '60s, but the resulting microclimate from its position on a peninsula, and its excellent thalassotherapy treatments, keep guests coming back year after year. *thalassa.com*

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 NATASHA'S  
 LOOK



*music...*  
**WEIRD AND  
 WONDERFUL**

London singer-songwriter Natasha Khan, aka Bat For Lashes, is back with her third album, *The Haunted Man*, and with new music comes a new look. Gone are the boho pieces and glittery makeup; now Khan comes across as a more grown-up figure, with a neat bob, tailored suits and a penchant for a well-cut cape. *Out October 15; batforlashes.com*

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 STYLE ▶**



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