

Fashion Forecast

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Bold Combinations

Black anchors a brilliant color, and chunky accessories balance the powerful impact.

Neutral or Neon

Shades of blush, pale green, and earthy orange and yellow liven up khaki, espresso, and gray. Black, the old standby, pairs with neon tones like cobalt, hot pink, purple, and green for bold '80s style. Show your colors in a high-waisted skirt — the season's must-have. Try one in an A-line, pencil, or balloon style. In jewelry, brown is the color of the season; cocoa, champagne, and cognac shades dominate. Look for agate, geode slices, smoky quartz, and pearls. You'll also see metal tags and charms engraved with fun or inspirational messages.



Make your own

A big-bead necklace (p. 96) holds its own with strong separates.

Message bracelets

These decoupage bangles are made from foreign fashion mags.



Seasonal brights

Pair a black puff-sleeve jacket with an electric-blue jersey dress.

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Patent slingbacks

The hefty wood platform heel on these peep-toes lets them transition to cooler days.

Stylish Neutrals

Neutrals are sexy in body-conscious silhouettes.

Shades of blush and brown

Pair a sheer, flirty blouse with a high-waisted skirt.

Dramatic drops

Try superlong earrings in fall's newest shades.



Make your own

A peach-pearl necklace (p. 52) adds to the outfit's feminine appeal.

Make your own

A clustered-bead bracelet (p. 104) incorporates rich autumn tones.



Mary Jane wedges

Caramel wedges play up the blouse's details and emphasize the long, lean line.



Graphic Top

Try a printed top in a mix of the season's neutrals.

A new vintage

Cheers to a purple-wine hue that's universally flattering.

Make your own

A crystal necklace (p. 80) picks up the top's array of colors.



Make your own

Go edgy with jeweled bobby pins (p. 48).

Black flats

Square-toed flats offer fashionable comfort.

