



Suits you, ma'am

This season prepare to be wearing the trousers, not just in the daytime but for night-time chic

If you like the androgynous look, go for boy glamour and add a shirt and tie to your suit (Paul Smith and Tommy Hilfiger). As long as the cut is relaxed – almost verging on boyfriend trousers (we love Chanel's take on this trend) – and you go for a classic dark shade, you will look as feminine and sexy as if you were wearing a prom dress.



If you're more of a skinny-shape fan, drainpipe cut trouser suits are also a great option. You can go for a tailored or more casual style and a longer jacket, possibly belted (as seen at Dsquared) to create a fuller silhouette.

When it comes to textures you'll be spoilt for choice: from traditional cotton and wool mixes to more sophisticated leather, sequins

and satin, ideal to mix and match according to your mood.

Evening suits are a night-time must if you want to look sharp. These trouser suits take elements from the classic tux shape, tailcoats and riding jackets.



TK Maxx gold collection

This collection is well worth noting, and now it's also available online. The Gold Label department features savings of at least 70% off the RRP on clothing, shoes and handbags from the world's premium designers. Just look out for a distinctive black and gold 'Gold Label' swing tag with the messaging: Very Important Purchase. www.tkmaxx.com



Muks launches Luxe Mux range

With signature styles favoured by the likes of Kate Moss, Beyoncé and Kate Hudson, Muks introduces its new Luxe Muks range. With a nod to the 1970s bohemia, the collection presents knee high wedge styles as well as cute ankle boots with a Mongolia trim.

Prices start at £175 at www.muklukstore.com, Harrods and Net-A-Porter

Mary Portas launches her first shop

Retail expert Mary Portas has launched a shop and collection aimed at grown-up women, in partnership with House of Fraser. The concept store opened in August within the department store's Oxford Street branch and online at www.houseoffraser.co.uk/maryportas. Mary says: "I've spent my entire life working within and commenting on global retail. When shops are truly great, they provide remarkable and extraordinary experiences to brighten up peoples' lives. My new shop is exactly what I have always wanted to do in retail, my sincerest hope is that it provides the ultimate shopping experience." Her shop will sell her main line as well as collaboration lines with Charnos tights, Playtex, Clarks shoes and Radley handbags.

