

STYLE.COM REPORTS TOP TEN MUST-HAVE ITEMS FOR SPRING

NEW YORK, January 9, 2006 – STYLE.COM, the online home of *Vogue* & *W* magazines, today announced the ten key pieces a women's wardrobe shouldn't be without this spring.

1. **Wide Belt**

Mastering spring's new proportions is a cinch with a wide belt, be it in sexy red vernis or soft velvet.

2. **Babydoll Dress**

This spring head back in time with a '60s-style babydoll dress; an instant way to turn heads.

3. **Cuffed Shorts**

Teamed with a cropped jacket or a button-down and vest, cuffed shorts go way beyond weekend wear.

4. **Superlean Pants**

Spring's must-have pants are strictly tailored, superlean, and slashed just north of the ankles.

5. **Wedge Heels**

With hemlines scaling new heights, it's only fashionable that wedge heels follow.

6. **Chunky-Heeled Platforms**

Sleek stilettos have been replaced by chunky-heeled platforms, a perfect match for spring's no frills silhouette.

7. **Anything Nude**

The non-color of the season is nude, occasionally paired with black for after-dark appeal.

8. **Nauticals**

Nothing says spring like blue-and-white sailor stripes and bold brass buttons.

9. **Small Bags**

This spring marks the return of sleek handbags and the exit of luggage disguised as handbags.

10. **Extra-Large Tote**

While handbags will be smaller, an extra-large tote is the season's other essential accessory.

“Spring 2006 is all about fresh options,” said Nicole Phelps, Executive Editor, STYLE.COM. “From pants, to shoes and handbags, you will see a cleaner look for spring.”

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