

Fashion FORECAST

Easy Elegance For Work And Play

(NAPSA)—Shape, structure and a return to elegance were popular themes on this year's runways.

In response, fashions embrace fabrics rich with texture such as velvet or leather and feature striking or playful details such as Mandarin collars and chunky cables.

A true classic, the color black, has reemerged as the foundation of a chic wardrobe, complemented by a palette of jewel-tones such as turquoise, sapphire, ruby and amber. Oversize tops balance out slim and figure-flattering silhouettes.

The looks are sophisticated yet simple for any fashionable woman to enjoy. Chadwick's, a popular online fashion resource known for great values in career and casual clothing, offers a few pointers on how to sport this season's key trends:

Cashmere

One of the world's most luxurious fibers and a terrific layering piece for the transitional season, cashmere is as strong as ever. This season, look for affordable options in a variety of colors, versatile styles featuring different necklines (crewneck, V-neck and turtleneck), as well as classic cardigans with buttons, zippers and even cozy hoods.

Suits and Blazers

The suit and blazer have returned. Embrace new prints and patterns and look for fresh fabrics such as suede, napa leather and bouclé. The fun is in the details, so



Sleek, sophisticated and soft to the touch, leather blazers are a stylish way to keep warm.

select pieces with shorter silhouettes, accents along the seams and added broaches to complete this sophisticated and refined look.

Slim Figure-Enhancing Pants

Reemerging this season is the slim, figure-enhancing pant. Select flattering, slim-fit silhouettes for career and casual in this season's wide range of great colors such as smoky blue, eggplant and espresso. One of the most popular jean styles is boot-cut in dark denim and soft corduroy. Fashion brands such as Chadwick's offer "tummy control" versions of the boot-cut jean. Suede jeans are another great way to spice up a wardrobe this season, offering a smooth and flattering look that is chic for work or weekend.

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