Fashion FORECAST

Plus-Size Fashions Offer New Femininity And Confidence

(NAPSA)—This season's warmweather fashions introduce skinenhancing colors and dress-andrun versatility, sweeping in like the sun-warmed breezes of spring, with promises of carefree, lightas-air living.

"This is such a fun season for fashion," says Stephanie Sobel, General Merchandising Manager for Roaman's, the catalog for women size 12 and up. "The hottest designs are as flattering to women of all shapes and sizes as they are comfortable. They perfectly reflect the energy and positive spirit of today's active woman."

Here are the trends to watch:

• New Color Basics—The spring color palette brings some intriguing surprises. The spectator look is back in black and white. Black is a popular neutral, but it is joined this season by midnight indigo, camel and saddle as anchors for a fresh new look. Bright reds and lime greens bring spicy accents as contrasts or when worn solo.

Metallics return, especially in warm tones from pale gold to bronze. Blues reflect the optimism of the season in versatile shades—from aquatic to turquoise to neon bright—and figure strongly in solids and floral prints. Pastels—particularly pink, the full range of peach from pale apricot to orange, blue and lilac—bring out a soft, feminine radiance in the skin.

• Easy Shaping—Functional dressing is important this season. Silhouettes are simple and made for movement, with dressy slacks paired with long jackets or big shirts. Separates are hot, with great variations on the classic T and tank, and pants are



For plus-size women, the season's fashions offer plenty of sleek, comfortable choices.

cropped at the ankle or at Capri length.

• Enter the Comfort Zone— Time for a sigh of relief: this season—finally—comfort is king! Fabrics breathe and circulate air. Great cottons return, and polyester is better than ever, making care easier and blending with natural fibers to resist wrinkles. Even swimwear combines tummy control with full range-of-motion skirts for real comfort and flattery.

Spring and summer 2001 can be sleek, feminine and carefree for the plus-size woman. With Roaman's, she can find fashion-forward looks that satisfy at pleasing prices. To discover a wide selection of fashion options in sizes 12 to 60, call 1-800-677-0201 for a free catalog.