Holiday Fashions

Celebrate The Holidays In Style

(NAPSA)—This holiday season you can make the most of your wardrobe with a little forethought and a few simple additions.

"You don't need an extravagant occasion to justify the perfect holiday ensemble," says style expert Amy Cafazzo. "You can make a basic outfit unique and sexy by starting with a simple dress (perhaps one you already own) and adding elements to create fresh new looks that take you to any event in style."

Follow these tips from the experts at Marshalls as you plan your holiday wardrobe:

Foolproof Formal—Velvet is the quintessential luxurious look that can be dressed up or dressed down. Store your lip gloss and camera in a velvet clutch. A beaded shrug over your bare shoulders adds a hint of sparkle, and after the holidays, you can throw it on with jeans and a tank for a more casual look.

Sophisticated Chic—By pairing a pencil skirt in an elegant fabric, with a belt that cinches at the waist, you achieve a look that is sophisticated yet edgy. Appear long and lean by adding sheer tights with your favorite patent pumps.

A Family Affair—Break free from the usual basic black and opt for winter white. Bring this neutral tone to life by playing with textures such as faux fur, wool and cotton. A formfitting skirt with pleats will add movement to this always-classic style.

Sassy Simplicity—While long dresses or skirts play it safe, shorter dresses can offer an elegant alternative. A silk dress in jewel tones offers the ultimate in elegance. Couple it with a structured clutch and gemstone bracelets to make a modern statement.

Party Hopping—Black evening pants, a structured camisole and elegant extras with textures, such as velvet, satin or lace, can take you from a charity event to a friend's cocktail party in a flash.

Haute Stuff—With a piece that makes a statement, like a metallic tunic dress, not much else is needed. Just add your favorite pair of tights and pumps and you'll be ready to ring in the New Year in style.