



fashion faux pas

By Leon Hall



Kirsten Dunst



Maggie Gyllenhaal

DEAR LEON,
KIRSTEN DUNST AND MAGGIE GYLLENHAAL'S FASHION CHOICES ARE SO ECLECTIC AND ORIGINAL THAT THEY ALWAYS HAVE A GLOW ABOUT THEM. WHAT TIPS CAN YOU OFFER SOMEONE WHO LOVES THIS LOOK?

— SARA FROM DALLAS, TEXAS

Dear Sara,

These two stars are similar in that neither is a real beauty in the glossy Hollywood-sense of the word. But each can be very striking and memorable when she applies the basic rules of simplicity in her hair, makeup and wardrobe. I have seen each of them looking spectacular in simple clothes and horrific in fussy, contrived outfits.

Wearing classic clothing can put you on your local best-dressed list if you approach every look you create without trickery and camouflage. Take these tips to heart, dear Sara:

1. You can be totally feminine without getting lost in lace.
2. Ruffles can turn you into a preening hen when they do more than frame the face or edge a sleeve.
3. Empire silhouettes and too many layers create a brood sow when you only wanted to be a princess in the barnyard.
4. Mixing too many bright colors and patterns will send you back to the trailer park you ran away from.
5. Never confuse classic with boring, as you can elevate your bland basics into stratospheric red-carpet comets with a great piece of sparkly jewelry, a pair of scarlet slingbacks or a fresh gardenia behind an ear, tucked into your cleavage or pinned on your lapel.

DEAR LEON,
I AM JUST A REGULAR SINGLE GUY WHO ENJOYS LOOKING GREAT AND BEING WELL-GROOMED AT WORK AND IN MY PRIVATE LIFE. I ALSO LIKE TO SMELL NICE BUT EVERYTHING I TRY IS EITHER WAY TOO STRONG OR TOO FEMININE. DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS?

— PETER FROM TORONTO, CANADA

Dear Peter,

I get similar questions all the time. Always try a fragrance sample before you make your purchase, as all scents change according to your body chemistry. Kiehl's Original Musk Blend No. 1 is one of the best male fragrances in the world. It works on many skin and body types. It was originally called Love Oil back in the '20s, so be careful how much you use — it does work.



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