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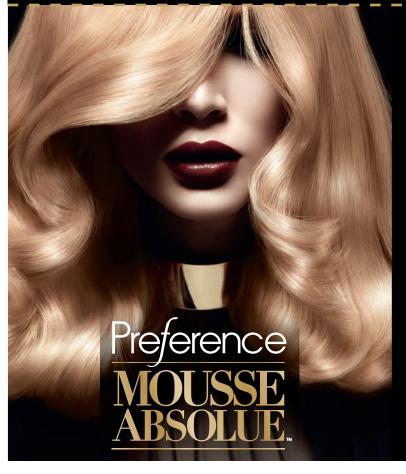
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what we want this week

## FAIL-SAFE GIFTS

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Dear Jeanne,

This year I'm forgoing the usual night on the town on Dec. 31 and heading to the cottage. How can I bring some pizzazz into my New Year's Eve ensemble without looking out of place in nature?

—Gillian

#### DEAR GILLIAN:

Lucky you! My idea of heaven is a cozy New Year's Eve in cottage country, especially after this whirlwind of urban holiday parties we've been running around to.

I'd say comfy but ultimately luxurious knitwear is a great place to start when it comes to cabin dressing. I'm also a big fan of fur trim (and it certainly doesn't have to be real to look great). A little fur collar could add the right dash of glam to your look.

Metallic cardigans would do the trick too. And there are all kinds of fancy sweatshirts out there, as the embellished sweatshirt is one of winter's hottest trends. Of course, if you want to walk on the wild side, you could always have fun with one of those crazy vintage Christmas sweaters. Why not camp it up a bit? There are so many of those fab, colourful old sweaters around and they usually go for a song.

When it comes to bottoms, try a pair of velvet jeans. Try a stretchy black pair that are both comfy and glam at the same time. Or up the oomph factor with jeans that feature jewel-encrusted detailing or studs.

As for footwear, give your feet a treat and try a pair of sequined Uggs. I'm also a huge fan of glam mukluks, and recently got a pair of tall black fur wrap ones from Manitobah Mukluks that are to-die-for. The white furry variety are also pretty spectacular and would make a great New Year's Eve statement.

You can also glamorize your hair, which would certainly elevate any cottage look. I find the hair accessories at Anthropologie are pretty awesome and might be all you need to give you the pizzazz you crave.

Finally, give your nails a coat of glittery polish, or get creative with nail art. How about the letters H-A-P-P-Y on one hand and numbers 2-0-1-4! on the other?

The best thing about "dressing up" for the cottage is that no one will really be judging you. It's a place where we should all be able to really let our hair down and have some good old-fashioned fun—no matter what we choose to wear.

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## Keeping Talley

Save your pennies, people! Fashion force of nature André Leon Talley has joined e-commerce site Zappos as artistic director. With hopes of attracting a more highbrow clientele to its high-end shoe site Zappos Couture, which sells brands such as Alexander McQueen and Gucci, the site has signed Talley to a one-year contract. The Vogue alumnus will oversee fashion shoots and videos and the site's editorial content. —Brooke Halnan

Clicking on Kors

for 2013, and U.S. designer Michael Kors tops the list as Most Searched Fashion Designer in Canada. Miley Cyrus's non-stop twerking scored her top spot in the Most Searched Celebrity category. —B.H.

#### THE KIT WILL RETURN

We've gone to eat turkey. The Kit print feature will return in three weeks. Miss us? Read the December 2013/January 2014 issue at **thekit.ca/newissue**. Happy holidays! With love, The Kit



High-fashion 'phones

Alexander Wang has put his design magic into a limited edition collection with Beats by Dre, the headphones all the cool kids are wearing. The designer has been known to align himself with the hottest musical acts, making this partnership seem right in tune with his growing brand. In true Wang style, the line includes headphones with a sleek minimalist matte black design with gold features. Sounds like music to our ears. From \$149 at beatsbydre.com. —Jessica Dilworth



## Best of the Brits

The U.K.'s fashion elite gathered in London in early December for the 2013 British Fashion Awards. Christopher Kane was anointed Womenswear Designer of the Year, while Burberry nabbed both the Designer Brand and Menswear Designer of the Year. One Direction heartthrob Harry Styles took home the British Style Award (as voted by the public), beating out favourites Alexa Chung and Kate Moss. Those 1D fans sure know how to make things happen, don't they? —J.D



The style news that got us talking this week

## A very Goopy Christmas

Ever wondered how Gwyneth Paltrow does Christmas? As a Hugo Boss fragrance ambassador, the actor and lifestyle guru shares some tips on how to get into the holiday spirit in a Boss Jour Pour Femme video on YouTube. She admits to using an Excel spreadsheet to keep track of her gift purchases and starting to prep for the holiday in October. —B.H.



## ECCO'S HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE





The **ECCO Reyes** is a classic pump with an edge that keeps her dancing all night long. She can dress these up or down for every occasion.

Classic, elegant and stylish, the **ECCO Dixon** will be perfect for all his

holiday festivities.

Make her holiday complete with the ECCO Belaga. A gorgeous fusion of rich embossed leather and elegant brushed hardware.







Surprise her with the **ECCO Leather holiday** collection. This modern metallic collection is ideal for day or night, suitable for any occasion.





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# THEYEAR

From twerking to Tina Fey to Kim Kardashian's makeover, we chart the highs and lows—in dollars and sense—of 2013

ugh.

"Ain't Laurent without Yves.

Rihanna and Chris Brown are

seen about town together. Ugh. Just

BY JILL DUNN

Tina Fey and Amy Poehler to script canoodling with George Clooney into their hosting gig (can you blame 'em?). Just wait and see what future faux hookups are up their sleeves—the pair ink a hosting deal for the next two years.

CC creams, the "colour-correcting" cousins of BB creams, hit the market. While BBs are all about instant gratification, CCs have long-term skin-correcting benefits. Chanel, Juice Beauty, Olay and a flurry of others all offer their own takes.

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News flash! Boss-lady brows are here to stay—Cara Delevingne lands her first Vogue UK cover. The model also trademarks her ame, so expect to keep seeing her star rise

(along with sales of brow gel).

What Not to Wear is cancelled. It was a good run, as co-host Clinton Kelly told People:

After 10 seasons on the air,

Hedi Slimane's collection for Saint Laurent Fall

diehard fans saying it "ain't Laurent without Yves.

(Parisian retailer Colette sells tees with the saying

2013 has a grungy hippie chic vibe that leaves

and Slimane severs their long relationship.)

"Im proud of the work we've done and the lives we've changed. And I'm relieved I don't have to point out that dark-wash jeans look dressier than light-wash jeans every day of my freakin' life."

The rise of the **statement** sweatshirt—bedazzled, oversized or emblazoned with digital prints, the fashion sweatshirt is most definitely not just for the gym.

Honey-based beauty products flood summer makeup bags and bathroom cabinets. Rodial Bee Venom Moisturizer, Burt's Bees Lip Balms, Fresh Crème Ancienne Honey Mask and Honey Marc Jacobs perfume all gather, um, buzz.

Angelina Jolie shines a spotlight on breast and ovarian cancer genetic testing with her dramatic op-ed for the New York Times, revealing her



Paging Elle Woods! Reese Witherspoon's

'Do you know my name?" retort reverberates around the globe. America's weetheart confesses she'd had "one too many glasses of wine



"Do you know my name?"

Kim Kardashian scores her first invite to the Met Gala (courtesy of Kanye, no doubt, as it was rumoured Anna **Wintour** previously shunned the reality star). Her "customized couch couture" Givenchy gown is widely panned.

> Rita Ora is named the face of Madonna's clothing line, Material Girl. With her outlandish style, we wonder if she'd be better off putting out her own.

We've been missing our favourite Girls

for months, but they turned head for the

red carpet. Neither **Lena Dunham** with

wrong reasons on the Emmy Awards'

HIGH



Do we hear **royal wedding bells** (again)? This month, **Cressida Bonas** and **Prince** Harry meet up for several weekend rendezvous holidays.

Marc Jacobs makeup arrives in Sephora in all its glossy glory (the slick packaging was inspired by Jacobs's own black lacquered coffee table). An MJ Beauty Lash Lifter will set you back only \$31.



The Nicolas Ghesquière era

at Louis Vuitton begins!

up to the job.

Marc Jacobs's big shoes

will be hard to fill, but

we're sure the former

Balenciaga designer is

Step crews, thumping soundtracks, diverse models and a whole lot of attitude have the front row sitting up and leaning in at the Rick Owens Spring 2014 show.



"Sleeping facials" let us get pretty while we snooze. The gel-like formulas melt into the skin, so we wake up looking more refreshed with less-visible lines—no rinse required. It's all the benefits of a mask, without any of the goop.



"It's really about the rubbing of the thighs.



Responding to critics on the quality of Lululemon Athletica activewear, founder Chip Wilson says chubby thighs and full bums can make the pants pill. Tsk, tsk. (He resigns the next month.)

hired staff to take their selfies too.

Lady Gaga, undisputed queen of red carpet exploits (meat dress, anyone?) arrived at the American Music Awards on a human horse. The stunt has us questioning how she will deliver her Christmas presents—somehow it seems

a flying sleigh won't cut it.

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Yes, it's snowing, but you don't have to wear ho-hum black and grey. Embrace powder pink blush—the hottest shade for outerwear this season, thanks to Phoebe Philo at Céline. Try the shade on an oversized

duster coat—you'll feel like a Hitchcock heroine.





Beyonce's beauty fan-cident in Montreal! caught in a wind machine, but the total pro doesn't miss a note of "Halo" (moment of silence for her do).







# FAIRWEATHER





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the standout year for some seriously important women. We salute them! BY BROOKE HALNAN



#### 1. JENNIFER LAWRENCE

Her easy-going attitude and quick wit had us wishing she was our bestie. After winning a Best Actress Oscar at 22 and continuing to stun as the face of Dior, JLaw is taking over as Hollywood's It girl

#### 2 ROBYN DOOLITTI F

Doolittle's revelation in May about a video of Toronto's Mayor Rob Ford smoking what appeared to be a crack pipe put the Toronto Star City Hall reporter in the spotlight. Since then she has discussed the drama on CNN's Anderson Cooper and Piers Morgan Live and written a book Crazy Town: The Rob Ford Story, due out in February.

A welcome change from the typical risqué female pop artists of today, Ella Maria Lani Yelich-O'Connor (a.k.a. Lorde) landed on everyone's playlists with her hit tune "Royals," a testament to her killer vocals.

#### 4. KERRY WASHINGTON

In a case of art imitating life, the Scandal star's character, Olivia Pope, made Vanity Fair's list of the Top 10 best-dressed TV characters of 2013. Meanwhile Kerry nailed red-carpet appearances from the Oscars to the Emmys, and closed out the year with a Golden Globe nod.



took her Red tour on the road, headlined nabbed a slew of awards (including Artist of the Year at the AMAs)—all the while hitting best-dressed lists everywhere.

#### 6. REBEL WILSON

The funny girl has had some serious success since her roles in Bridesmaids and Pitch Perfect. This year, the comedian co-produced, wrote and acted in the hilarious sitcom Super Fun Night—talk about a triple threat.

#### 7. MILEY CYRUS

Miley Cyrus sailed into superstardom after calling off her engagement with Liam Hemsworth of The Hunger Games in September. Her boundary-pushing fashion choices, non-stop twerking and bad-gal antics made her a household name this year.

#### 8. MALALA YOUSAFZAI

The Pakistani student, 16, continued to fight after she was shot in the head by the Taliban last year for advocating for girls' education. She spoke to the United Nations in July, wrote a memoir, was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize and given honorary Canadian citizenship.

#### 9. KIRSTINE STEWART

We love us a power woman, and after leaving CBC in April to take the job of head of Twitter Canada, Stewart confirmed what Beyoncé always knew: Who runs the

#### 10. KATHLEEN WYNNE

It was Wynne to the rescue when Dalton McGuinty stepped down from his position, making her Ontario's first female (and openly gay) premier.

#### 11. LYNN COADY

You don't have to be a musician or actor to get noticed. The Nova Scotia native made headlines when she won the Giller Prize for her short story collection Hellgoing.

#### 12. ALICE MUNRO

For Alice Munro, age is just a number. After announcing her retirement earlier in the year, the 82-year-old Canadian literary luminary won the Nobel Prize for Literature









Designer Rachel Roy has dressed Michelle Obama to Kim Kardashian, publishes a magazine, heads up a charity, and raises two kids. Here's how she does it all with style



You might not know her, but you definitely know her look. And not just because her perfectly put-together ensembles have been seen on Gwyneth Paltrow, Sofia Vergara and Solange Knowles. Rachel Roy debuted her fashion collection in 2004 and has since expanded to include the more accessibly priced Rachel Rachel Roya

What's with our obsession? It's Roy's philosophy. "We don't actually need another garment, we choose things on how they make us feel," says Roy. Her clever mix of prints and playful pairings of opposite pieces (think leather moto jacket with girly ruffled skirt) are a perfectly modern take on our wardrobe staples, and we've never looked back. Get to know her different sides:

#### MEDIA MOGUL

Roy loves connecting with her customers on social media, discussing anything from her workout routine to her kids. "I definitely focus on the positive. If I do discuss something sad, I try to share it in a way that says here's how I get through it." She's also sharing that message through her digital magazine, The Life at rachelroy.com.

#### HI-TECH DESIGNER

Her commitment to wearability inspired features like Power Mesh. The lining, which sewn directly into Roy's form-fitting dresses, eliminates the need for shapewear. And when Roy launched her Rachel Roy footwear this season, she designed the stunning stilettos and booties with triple cushioning, so they're actually comfortable.

#### FASHION PHILANTHROPIST

Committed to empowering women and children, where possible, Roy collaborates with artisans in the developing world on items for her line. "You can help to change the lives of thousands by helping them become financially independent and self-sufficient," she says.

#### CUSTOMER CENTRIC

Most designers will tell you about the exotic trip or obscure artist that inspired their latest collection; Roy raves about how her customers look in her clothes. She takes where they are wearing them into account: to the office, on a date or out for dinner with friends. "I think of options for them to make their life easier," says Roy.

For how to rock a jumpsuit and to see Roy's most famous fans, visit thekit.ca/rachel-roy/



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"You can't go wrong with a moto boot, but this one is extraordinary with studs and buckles across the back. Wear it with skinny jeans or leggings and a plain sweater or jacket. Let the boots be the focus."—Aynsley Wintrip Harris, co-founder "These boots have been a wardrobe staple for women in Italy for decades. We're so thrilled to offer them to Canadian



Caroline Whittington creates stunning amethyst studs using stones of varying shapes and hues-making each set totally unique to you. The Washington-based maker is also an experienced graphic designer and illustrator, and shares this advice: "If you really want to

go for something, do it 100 per cent and give it your all."

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Arrestingly perfect Bourjois Paris gift sets will put a sparkle in someone's eyeor add a little glamour to your own look.

## THE **LICENSE TO KISS** SET

Not that you need any help under the mistletoe, but iconic Bourjois Paris Effet 3D Lip Gloss now shines through in miniature format. Treat your lips to goanywhere, do-anything 3D volume and shine—with deep hydration that lasts up to eight hours. Don't be surprised when your plumped-up pout has them circling back for more.





### THE **HIGHLIGHT & DEFINE** SET

Capture the magic of the season by playing with shadow and light. This limited-edition eye-enhancing Bourjois Paris set includes four double-ended Khol & Contour Pencils in Black/White, Pink/Grey, Blue/Silver and Brown/Caramel. That's eight shades for the price of four! Sculpt, shape and layer to your heart's content. The smooth, hypoallergenic formula lasts for up to 16 hours.

#### **TOP TIP**

Variations are endless when you outline the inner and outer corners of the eye or layer the colours over your whole lid.

## THE **DECADES OF BEAUTY** SET

Take a trip back in time with this limited-edition Bourjois Paris beauty fantasy that brings the time-honoured traditions of this 150-year-old brand racing up to meet the present. Definitive luxury, pure glamour.

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