



Spring Forward

Now that the dreary days of winter are behind us, lavender, florals and satin will be here to brighten up our wardrobes.

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Spring Fashion week from New York to London saw tons of color headed down the runways. Denim got the glamorous treatment (skinny jeans with an evening gown, anyone?), and florals were mixed with stripes. Taking a cue from the Pantone color of the year, “ultra violet,” the softer shade of lavender is popping up everywhere. Here we break down a few of the biggest trends and key pieces you can incorporate into your springtime style.

Lovely Lavender

With a certain romantic nature to it, a shade of lavender screams of warmer weather and brighter days ahead. While pastels in general are a hot trend this season, lavender is taking the spotlight. For a bold move, give a lavender trench coat a try. Bonus: Trench coats will be everywhere this season, and you can't go wrong with the classic belted coat. To add just a simple touch of the hue,

top off your look with a lavender-colored scarf or statement earrings.

Where to Find?

Lands' End has a fantastic cropped trench coat in a gorgeous wild orchid color, and give your local Pimp Boutique a try. The stores and online site have a variety of lavender shades, and don't forget to check out the pretty floral dresses and tanks.

Shiny Satin

The perfect companion to lavender, this silky fabric will be popping up in everything, from blouses to pants. The light-weight fabric is perfect for warmer days ahead, and cooler summer nights. To fully embrace this trend, try wearing a



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satin pair of pants to work. If you wear a looser pair of satin pants, top it with a crisp button-up to avoid a pajama look. Add a bit of satin to your spring with a satin scarf or breezy tank.

Where to Find?

Check out J.Crew for a dark navy satin pant with a tux stripe to give your work wardrobe a serious update. Cliché Boutique in Minneapolis has new spring arrivals on site, and a must-have emerald green satin ruffled blouse is one of them.

Fresh Florals

Who doesn't love seeing bright flowers in the spring time? And what's better than wearing them? Try mixing florals and stripes together lends for a new take on both patterns. Accessorize with prints by adding a floral hand-bag to a solid color dress, or a striped top with floral pants.



Where to Find?

The Kate Spade Cameron Street bag takes a bold twist with bright flowers, perfect to pair with your little black dress. And if you are still on the embroidered trend, try a sweet button-up with floral accents. Local boutique Kittsona has many floral embroidered tops, but give the red pinstripe garden dreams top with red embroidered flowers a try.

Give some of these trends a try this season and give your look a fresh twist for spring. Remember to have fun; create your own look by finding that perfect style that gives you the most confidence. Happy spring!

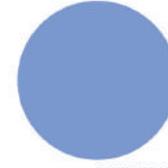
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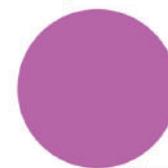
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