



JAZZ UP YOUR PERSONAL CLOTHING STYLE!

Girlfriend, Is It Time To Jazz Up Your Style With A Fashion Makeover? Raven Says, If Your Look Is Boring, You're Wasting An Opportunity To Be Fabulous!

HERE ARE SOME QUICK STYLE IDEAS TO MAKEOVER YOUR LOOK

COLORS

With all the colors in the universe at your fingertips, don't play it safe and stay neutral all the time. On the other hand, don't go crazy with clashing colors that don't flatter your skin tone. Look at paint chips and makeup colors to get ideas of what combinations look good together.

FLOWER POWER

Are you stuck for inspiration? Go to nature for new ideas. The vibrant colors and shapes of flowers may inspire you. Go all white like a daisy or use the gorgeous deep color of a rose to accent a bold blue or subtle neutral. How about a stunning lilac to inspire you? Ideas are all around if you look to the beauty of the outdoors.

SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW

You may have some treasures hidden in a closet at home you've never even explored. Is there a lace shawl great grandma once wore? Pearl earrings? A classic '40s blouse? Secondhand stores are a treasure trove of interesting vintage pieces that can be mixed with a pair of jeans or a black skirt for a jazzy, offbeat look. It just takes looking. Study photos in old books from the library or watch old movies to investigate older fashion trends. It's fun and inspiring too.

WHEN IN DOUBT, ACCESSORIZE!

Sometimes a new handbag and shoes in matching or coordinating colors are enough to breathe new life into an outfit that's feeling a bit stale. On a budget? Check bargain stores for wild accessories to freshen things up. Even a new tee in a great color can liven up an older outfit. Have fun, get wild, take a chance!

MIX AND MATCH

Now that you've found that colorful, bargain, or vintage piece that you can't live without, mix and match it with some of your own wardrobe basics. You'll be amazed what you're inspired to put together when you give it a try!

DRESSING FOR YOU

Sure, changing your style is taking a chance. But it's no good to play it safe and boring all the time. Take a chance on pepping yourself up with a little change. Enlist a trusted friend to take a look at your ideas and give you her take on what works and what doesn't. A true friend will be honest about your look.

YOUR BODY TYPE

Always remember to flatter your figure. The right style makes all the difference. Try to check out new looks in a three-quarter-length mirror to make sure you're minimizing figure flaws and playing up your best assets. Once you've found your new look, believe in it and believe in yourself and others will too!

FLOWER DECORATING – You and your room!

Fresh flowers on your desk can brighten your mood and your IQ! Add a lucky bamboo plant next to your computer and it could give you some good luck in school or in meeting that cute guy!

Window dressing

Your windowsill can be livened up by using a distressed terra cotta pot, old water pitcher, or antique teapots and adding sun goddess flowers such as African violets or primroses.

Fresh is the best!

The easiest way to makeover your room is to get some lilacs, peonies, or tea roses for your bedside table. They will always be sure to send you into sweet dreams of your latest crush and give your room a lovely aroma.

Hair Decorating

If you want a carefree look, why not try adding a real flower to your barrette, bobby pin, or ponytail hair tie? If you are feeling really adventurous have your best friend braid in a few flowers.

Press Your Own Flowers

Dried flowers are another fun idea in making over your room. Here's an easy way to do it!

Materials Needed:

- Your favorite flowers or foliage picked and ready to press
- A large phone book or dictionary
- A sheet of newspaper
- More books or heavy objects -- about 20 pounds worth

Instructions:

1. After picking your favorite flowers and foliage, put them in the refrigerator to keep them from wilting while you prepare your pressing materials.

2. Place the flowers or foliage on the inside fold of the sheet of newspaper. Make sure there are no overlapping leaves, petals, stems, or the like, and fold the top half of the newspaper sheet down over the flowers.

3. Open the dictionary or phone book and place the newspaper in the middle at about letter M.

4. Close the dictionary and place the other books or heavy objects on top.

The drying process takes about three days. Once the flowers are pressed and dry you can use them in arrangements, art work, as gifts, or whatever you like!

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