

Spring Suits Offer Large Style Choice

Curve-accenting femininity plays a major role in Spring suits, presenting a picture that is typified by the full skirt and brief jacket silhouette featured in an eye-compelling, texture-some fabric.

Although they all predominantly follow similar bodice molding, waist-nipped, arched hips and full-skirted lines, newest suits are to be found in as great a variety as the flowers in a fresh-blooming Spring garden.

Jackets, or example, range from the very brief rounded bolero types, with curved contours accentuated, in many instances, by slope-shouldered, melon shaped three-quarter sleeves, to the longer length jacket, that ends just below the hipline, with a slightly rippled peplum or half-beled back.

Little Spencers
Other jacket styles, most presenting brief outlooks, include little spencers, arch hips, basques and figure-hugging tops with deep dolman sleeves, removable capelets or high-placed seam or pocket detail.

Typical of Spring's new brief jacket silhouettes is a suit with a waist-length poodle cloth, spencer jacket, with three-quarter dolman sleeves, teamed with a full gored gabardine skirt.

The very full, easy full and eased slim skirts, on hand for Spring, also present a variety of choice. Many feature all-around pleats. On others, pleats are grouped in novel effects. And still other skirts are stitched to the hipline then pleated to the hem, featuring the long torso line.

Fullness in new suit skirts is also achieved by the use of many gored or confining fullness to the back with the front giving a straight hanging appearance.

Softer Outlook

Although slim skirts are predicted to continue their popularity through the new season most have been eased immeasurably, often with low kick pleats placed either front or back, for a softer outlook.

Distinctive of the full-skirted silhouette is the suit with a full four-gored skirt and short, molding asymmetrically closed jacket.

New costume suits, following the full skirt-brief jacket pattern set for the season, offer added news interest in their greater than ever versatility. This season they are chameleon-like with removable capelets on cardigan jackets, crisp fabric printed blouses accompanying them, and in redingote coat designs that have jacket-effect tops and come with matching skirts. One costume suit even has a printed petticoat and blouse that can be worn as a completely separate outfit.



The sub-teener looks pretty as her big sister in her party frock. Here, an organdy apron effect is gaily embroidered, the bodice is stripe accented, her belt is black velvet. By Individuality Frocks.

One perfect version of the costume suits, featured for Spring, offers a two-in-one costume for outdoor and indoor wear. The tiny rippled capelet can be worn for outdoors, then removed to reveal a molded, cardigan neckline jacket in a dressmaker mood.

Great Variety
Newest texture-conscious fabrics and colors employed for suits complete the picture of femininity and great variety at hand for Spring.

Silks are expected to hold a prominent place in Spring suit fashion, as are brocades, bengalines, failles, novelty taffetas, pebble tweeds, metal shot woads, boucles, poodle cloths and gabardines.

Colors vary from easy to blend neutrals and perennially popular navies and black to yarn dyes, small plaids, novelty checks, pastels and two-tone combinations that make use of contrast solid colors with contrast texture fabrics for skirt and jacket, or achieve contrast with a plaid or a check combined with a solid tone.

PREVENT LINT

To prevent a linty tinge on dark cottons, use fresh suds for different colors. Never use the wash water in which white clothes have been sudsed.

'52 Luggage Asset for Latest Style Color, Style Texture Shown

Luggage and leather accessories, designed for Spring '52, mean as much fashion-wise as new Spring clothes. Now costume cues, in colors and fabrics, they can be the finishing touch to ensembles, and also a most impressionable asset.

An abundance of color, style and texture in luggage gives a wide choice to match or blend with travel clothes and accessories. For those with an eye for wool, there is luggage in checks, herringbones and tweeds. If linen is preferred, it is also available. Or for those who desire the smoothness of leather or plastic, there is much variety to be had now in color and style, with matching or contrasting trims.

Along with its fashion-conscious outlook, newest luggage is lighter and made to be more lasting than ever before. According to the Luggage and Leather Goods Association, one-third more can be packed in today's luggage than its counterpart of ten years ago.

Along with luggage, there are new innovations in leather accessories that supply accommodations for papers, tickets, bills and change. New feminine wal-

Junior Styles To Mimic Dad

Junior will look like a tiny replica of Daddy, this Spring, in trousers, sweaters, jackets and coats all mimicking the grown-ups in fabric and styling.

The trench coat, complete in all details, including iridescent lining, is warm enough for those "in between" days and sturdy enough for a small boy's hard wear. Popular too, in Spring coats, are the fly-front water-repellent twills, styled to make son and father look like brothers.

Tartans appear in sleeveless sweaters with fabric front and knit back. Sport shirts, in bright houndstooth checks, splashy tropic prints and bright solids, fit well with a knitted waist-band.

Tots just learning to walk won't scrape knees as much with the new overalls that have foam rubber pads slipped into knee pockets.

AND YOUR TIE?

The man who is portly and short, or just one of them, should beware of loud patterns, loud colors and off shades. While the tall, lean man, or the athlete, may make the sky the limit in patterns.

Ties, that are capacious enough for all such necessities, yet small and slim, are available in a wide range of colors. These can be matched to other purse pieces such as key, cosmetic, cigarette and eyeglass cases.



Stylized cotton knits in gay, solid colors, are the fashion this Spring for the younger set's play and party activities. Above, he wears a "Fireman's" polo shirt, cotton knit boxer trunks and socks. Of Durene mercerized cotton yarn. By Scout-Tex.

ALL OVER

The trim is the thing for Spring with big bows, miniature back belts, delicate "liner" collars of organdy on suits and dresses, featured for '52.

Wallets Are Ample Size

Convenience is tops in men's wallets. They are ample in size and outstanding in versatility. Removable card or photo cases, check books and inner-folds add to the appeal of these masculine accessories, but not to their bulk.

Even with new innovations they have been whittled down to streamlined proportions and fold remarkably flat under a heavy load.

Some of the more completely organized wallets feature a removable leather photo card case, which can be interchanged with any standard checkbook. Some contain a special flap in the bill compartment which forms a secret pocket for bills of larger denominations or private papers.

For the man who likes to keep his bills, papers and change all together, there are a variety of wallets, in many leathers, which carry ample expanding coin purses with plenty of room for change. An unusual one contains a partition in the bill compartment for better organization of the contents, plus two deep utility pockets. A leather card case is enclosed in one, while the other new wallet offering contains double vision windows for identification or photos.

LET IT GLEAM

Wash costume jewelry in any liquid shampoo and see how fresh and gleaming it immediately becomes.

New Designs in Spring Umbrellas

There's a promise of sleek, bright fashion in the rain with newest spire-slim umbrellas available for Spring.

New elongated umbrella designs, in silky fabrics, can be had to complement or contrast with Spring ensembles whatever their color. And this means from tip to tip of the umbrella. While others may be had in ombre shades, gay candy stripes or with contrasting handles, such as a mirror clear, black lacquered T-shape handle that stems from a vividly-hued umbrella.

WAIST NIPPERS

Pert little waist cinchers are now available to help make a tiny waist a miniature of itself. Often made of rayon satin, waist cinchers hook or lace about the waist to ease away the inches gently but firmly. A daily dunking in mild suds keeps it fresh and firm for continued wearing.

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