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**How would you describe your style?**

I'd say effortless, very casual and comfortable, although I'm always in 10-inch heels -- the higher the heel the closer to heaven. And it always has a platform.

I'm a no-fuss kind of girl. Give me a boyfriend t-shirt, sexy jeans and fab shoes! For some women, more is more but it detracts from me. I think it's important that you wear the clothes and not the other way around. If you don't feel comfortable in something,

don't try to rock it. Just because it's trendy doesn't mean you should wear it.

I like to invest in good pieces and fill in the rest with less expensive accessories and staples.

**Who are your favorite designers?**

For the high-end, I love Matthew Williamson. For formal wear, definitely Reem Acra and Elie Saab. Chanel and Prada have fabulous handbags. Gucci is great for their angular, edgy look. For something more

affordable, I'm in love with JustFab.com. I wear their shoes to death! And, they have great handbags, accessories and jeans. I've even become a style expert for them.

**Do you have any favorite stores?**

bebe is an absolute favorite. It's affordable but very current. You can feel like a star and still afford rent at the end of the month, and that's not a bad thing. BCBG is also great for me. No matter what I need, I know my size and I can run in and pick it up easily. When budget is not an object, Intermix is great, Barneys is fabulous!

I subscribe to the age old rule of mixing high-end with affordable, so I go to Forever 21 for staples like t-shirts and tanks.

**What's the most sentimental item in your closet?**

I have two lovely vintage Chanel purses from my grandmother who at 85 years old looks amazing and is still an exceptional dresser! I remember when I was growing up, I'd look in her closet and think she was so cool. Her style is very eclectic, elegant and classic.

**What's the oddest thing in your closet?**

In high school and college, that would have been easy. I went through a very rebellious period and used to duct tape my clothes. I wore a lot of mesh and safety pins -- very Goth rock n' roll. But, nowadays -- how about an official jury summons! Or... maybe flats.

**How would someone describe the person who lives in this closet?**

I think eclectic, petite, inspired. I have a lot of different stuff. I don't have just one particular style. I have a very simple style but I'm all over the place -- dresses, jeans, faux fur. I'm really into solids and classics. I don't want to look at a photo of myself in five or 10 years and be mortified at what I'm wearing. I think less is more.

**If you could trade closets with anyone...**

Kate Hudson. I love her style. She's my girl! I think she has great style and I love the way she wears clothes. She has a very sexy way about her. But, she wouldn't want my closet!

**What's your go-to outfit?**

That's easy. Skinny J brand jeans, BCBG nude suede ankle boots, a grey v-neck t-shirt from Forever 21, and my black hooded leather jacket from Q40. I like the ease and comfort of jeans with a t-shirt and great heels.

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