

Denim Done Right

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What's the one thing that just about all of us own and have in our closets??? Denim of course! Jeans can be dressed up, dressed down, long, short, wide, skinny, colored, distressed, or just regular and are a staple for just about everyone.



Jeans over the past couple of years have evolved and changed and there are a ton of different looks out there right now that are begging to be tried. Take the wildly popular "Boyfriend" jean that is the hot look to date. The style is characterized by a baggy-ish fit, sometimes hole-y details, low slung waist, and finished with widely cuffed



hems. If you're into this comfy laid back look

style it up with cute round-toed ballerina flats, a slightly oversized tee or v-neck tee, and a longer length cardigan. For a less "slouched" look pair these low-slung babies with a prettier top that's more fitted but still flowy and don't have heels instead of flats—I am partial to something strappy and sturdy.



Some of you may loathe the next season's hottest denim look... The acid wash jean is back and in full effect ladies so grab yourself a pair and shimmy right on in. This 80's inspired wash is for the more



fashion adventurous, but is a cool way to update your denim repertoire. Wear your acid washed skinnies with a cool pair of fringed or ankle-style boots (I like white), and a graphic printed tee with some sort of girly image like this grayscale rose featured above. And, don't forget a belt to tie it all together. In this particular instance a thin white studded one would work well!



So, what about the gentleman who wants to have the hottest denim around town? Designer

denim has gotten a little out of control in my opinion... Spending \$300.00 on a pair of jeans



seems like crazy talk—there are less expensive ways to have the latest craze without spending oodles of dough. For guys, I can't help but stick

with basic denim as being a favorite. I like darker washes in a bootcut style worn right at the hips. However for those of you out there who want to try something a little more edgy there are some new styles out there that you may want to give a whirl.



As with the ladies, the distressed look is in for guys too—the fit is a tad more baggy and the denim is strategically shredded and ripped in various places. To complete this casual look don a cool pair of retro-style kicks, a comfy tee, and a brightly hued anorak or warm-up jacket.



Skinny jeans are also in for the gents, and are most current when done in an ultra-light wash. I am partial to this rocker style on a dude who is blessed with height and long legs. If you are daring enough to throw on a

pair of these second skin pants make sure you style them up with city chic accessories. These days London England is abuzz with men waltzing



around a-la-Mick Jagger in pointy loafers, the standard straight leg denim,

rocker tee, swaddled up scarf, and sweet shades.

Whichever new style you decide to try make sure that it flatters your figure. If you're shy to try a dramatic new style simply roll the bottoms of your favorite denim for an updated-retro look! That's a great look for both guys and gals!

