

The Importance of Accessories

**“Accessories are the
exclamation point of a woman”
Michael Kors**



In the world of fashion and styling it is not all about the clothes, actually for me its more about how you accessorise a look that actually makes it stylish. It allows you to enhance, elevate and individualise your look. It also allows you the freedom to transition a outfit from day to night, perhaps swapping those boots for heels, stud earrings to statement pieces and adding a fabulous belt to show off or create your curves.

Personality

Equally it allows you to express who you are, bringing perhaps a main stream look and turning it into your own, this could be through a pop of colour or adding a well tied scarf, the possibilities are endless.

Flexibility

It allows you to repeat the same outfit time and again but dressing it differently gives you the flexibility of a whole new style. Just be sure to pick out different accessories that accentuate the ensemble.

Add colour

Use your accessories to embrace colour, small accents here and there. For example adding coloured earrings can transform a basic white tee into instant glamour.

What about Make up as an Accessory

I use lipstick as one of my accessories, I love using bright vibrant lipsticks within my personal styling, for me they uplift my mood and tie a whole look together.

Check out my Accessories Edit – Shoe & Bag Combinations to help you get started.

Ultimately fashion accessories allow you to individualise a outfit and can also really help hone your style.

Introducing Colour – The Edit

“People will stare, make it worth their while” Tom Ford

Here are my top current pieces for adding that splash of colour to your wardrobe. Not sure where to start please read my blog post [“Afraid of wearing colour – Don’t be”](#)

*All prices correct at time of producing, always worth clicking through on the things you like in case they have been reduced!

Jewellery

Now I couldn’t start coloured jewellery without putting in the gorgeous Blue Angelite & Rose Gold Bracelet from Clockface Beauty £32 – [here](#)



Marble Effect Resin Statement Earrings, Monsoon £9 – [here](#)



V by Laura Vann Audrey Cubic Zirconia Geometric Ring, John Lewis £85 – [here](#)



Jewel Drop Statement Earrings, Marks & Spencer £12.50 – [here](#)



Mulberry Bayswater Leather Bracelet, Icy Pink/Gold, John Lewis
£125 – [here](#)



Hoop Earrings with coloured stones, Zara £11.99 – [here](#)



Pack of colourful bracelets, Zara £14.99 – [here](#)



Sienna long drop earrings, Accessorize £7 – [here](#)



Belts

Cotton crochet belt, Mango £17.99 – [here](#)



Leopard print belt, Whistles £55 – [here](#)



Wavy Edge Belt – Camel Multi, Boden £29.40 – [here](#)



Shoes

Lauretta – Green, Dune £64 – [here](#)



Marsa – Pink, Dune – £75 – [here](#)



Flora Flats – Chartreuse Lizard, Boden £98 – [here](#)



**Afraid of wearing colour –
Don't be!**

**“The best colour in the whole
world is the one that looks
good on you.” Coco Chanel**

Embracing colour doesn't mean going full neon or wearing that bright orange you think washes you out, but colour also allows us to be a little more adventurous and really enhance and brighten up your look. So how do you introduce colour into your wardrobe?

Jewellery

Now, I sound a little like a broken record, somehow accessories creep into all my blogs, but there is good reason for that! They can totally finish and enhance an outfit, and are one of the best ways to express your style. One of my friends described the fact that all my outfits look complete as them being “polished”, and that is completely down to how I take that dress from a high street store, mix it up with some bold earrings and bracelet and suddenly it looks different, more individual and often more luxury. So be bold with your accessory choices, if you are wearing black, team with some red, pink or blue earrings, or why not embrace the neon trend through your colour choice of necklace. Take a nice clean look and add a pop of colour – go on give it a try!

Gently does it

Perhaps start with something like a pink shirt to go with those jeans instead of always reaching for the neutrals, and wear it a few times so you get used to seeing yourself (and others get used to seeing you too!) in it, when you feel amazing, the next step might be a coloured trouser.

You definitely don't need to scrap your neutrals

If that is your thing, then embrace it, but there is nothing to stop you teaming it up with something like a blush pink pair of sandals, or a deep mustard heel. The colour can happily sit alongside the colour palette you are already comfortable with.

Colour through print

A printed top or even a scarf with a neutral background, can be the perfect way to ease yourself into colour, create a bold statement but in a way that is comfortable for you.

I believe anyone can and should embrace colour, note how you feel at the end of the day when you've added a little splash, from personal experience my brightly coloured clothes seem to attract a compliment which always feels amazing. Start small with jewellery or shoes, find the colours that work for you and make you feel great, and work your way up to that gorgeous bright dress you just never dared to wear – I promise you won't regret it!

Not sure where to start, here are my top choices for the beginning of your colour journey, [Introducing Colour – The Edit](#)