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EUGENIE BOUCHARD AT WIMBLEDON: GETTY IMAGES

# GIVE EMTHE SLIP

The cool-kicks trend hasn't lost momentum. Sans laces and with an eye on texture, our picks are even easier to get into \_INGRIE WILLIAMS









QUICK SILVER
All the thrill of metallic party heels, none of the toe-crunching regrets. Michael Michael Kors Boslip sneakers, \$128, at Capezio and capezioshoes.ca



From cropped trousers to leather leggings, a digital take on plaid will give any look a boost. **Céline** checkered sneakers, \$650, at Holt Renfrew



WHAT A STUD

With hardware in rose gold and silver, underscored by a blush hue, punk merges with pretty. Sam Edelman Braxton sneakers, \$140, available at Hudson's Bay and thebay.com



NATURAL WONDERS
An oversized serpentine finish leads simple sneakers to walk on the wild side. H&M snakeskin print sneakers, \$35, at H&M and hm.com/ca



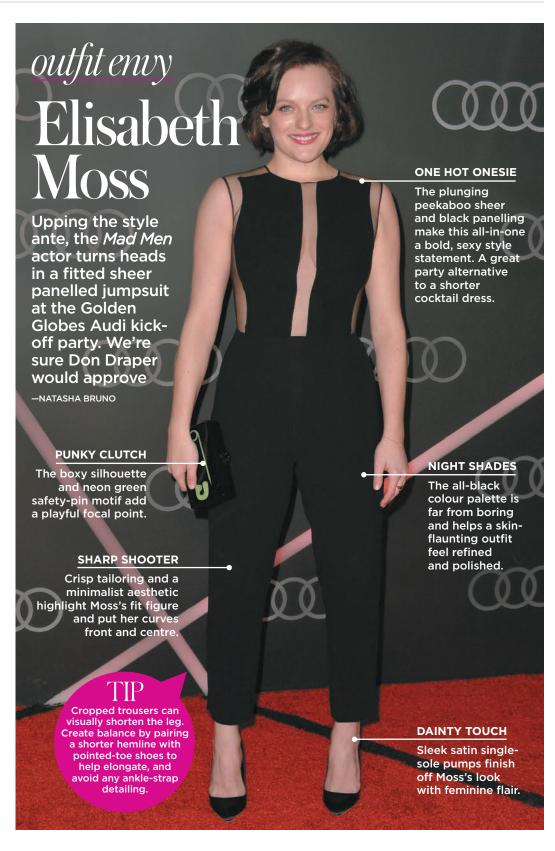
# one-minute miracle

# CITRUS SANITIZER

Don't let the number of people who've picked up that dumbbell/used that yoga mat put you off your workout! This zesty hand sanitizer is the perfect antidote. Its non-sticky formula is free from triclosan, an antibacterial ingredient harmful to the environment, and its fresh fruity scent means you'll want to apply it again and again.

-ALEX LAWS

The Body Shop Satsuma Hand Cleanse Gel, \$2, thebodyshop.com



# radar

The people, places and things in the world of style that got us talking



WEAR: SOULCYCLE & SHOPBOP

Iconic spin studio SoulCycle and online retailer ShopBop have collaborated on a line of tees, tanks, sweatpants and hoodies. From \$55 to \$155, shopbop.com.



#### COVET: TORY BURCH FITBIT Fitbit, a leader in fitness

technology, has partnered with Tory Burch on a line of accessories for the Fitbit Flex. The super-stylish offerings promise to make tracking your activity and sleep look cool and are scheduled to hit Burch's

stores and website this spring



### **KNOW:** TISCI FOR NIKE Givenchy creative director

Riccardo Tisci has teamed up with Nike to create a line of clothing and running shoes that will bear his initials, due to hit stores in spring. Maybe we'll be able to afford some designer kicks after all.



### **SHOP:** PETER PILOTTO Look chic swimming your

Look chic swimming your lengths! Fashion label Peter Pilotto has collaborated with Target on a collection spanning everything from swimwear to evening wear, with the brand's trademark prints and bold hues. From \$15 to \$80, in stores Feb. 9.



### GIVE: S ID CARDS

The Sarah Jessica Parker Collection includes more than 70 cards for birthday, friendship, Mother's Day, graduation and, of course, Valentine's Day. Available exclusively at Hallmark Gold Crown stores across Canada in Feb. From \$5 to \$8.



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1. STAR PLAYER Relieve dry, itchy skin everywhere from lips to

Free Eight Hour Cream Skin Protectant, \$25, at Hudson's Bay,

makeup before breaking a sweat with moisturizing cloths

containing pro-vitamin B5. Simple Cleansing Facial Wipes,

with vitamins E and F. Dove Go Sleeveless Unscented

\$11, at drugstores 3. SMOOTH MOVES Moisturize underarms

oil and grime a cleanser can leave behind for a more radiant

post-cardio glow. Eucerin DermatoClean Clarifying Toner, \$12,

Moisture Oil-Free SPF 15 Facial Moisturizer, \$16, at drugstores

moisturizer that protects skin from UV rays. Neutrogena

at drugstores 5. OUTDOOR PLAYER Go for a quick-absorbing

Anti-Perspirant, \$5, at drugstores 4. TONING UP Remove excess

Shoppers Drug Mart 2. WIPEOUT Clear skin of pore-clogging

elbows to heels with this cult classic. Elizabeth Arden Fragrance

# ask jeanne

6. SQUEAKY CLEAN Gently cleanse away dirt and oil with skin-

Facial Cleanser, \$13, at drugstores 7. FIGHTING POWER A spritz

Tonic Re-Hydrating and Soothing Toner, \$35, at Murale 8. FRESH

loving cotton and rice extract, and aloe. Burt's Bees Sensitive

of anti-inflammatory rose water and Dragon's Blood extract

APPROACH Rinse sweaty hair with this paraben-and sulfate-

free shampoo. Be.better Tea Tree Oil Shampoo, \$6, at Rexall 9. SHINE DEFENCE Minimize shine with a pressed powder free

of gluten, mineral oil or talc. Cover FX Blotting Powder, \$22,

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Lululemon headbands, \$12 each, at lululemon.com

at Murale, coverfx.ca. Props: Nike Sneakers, \$195, at Nike Store.

will revitalize and refresh. Rodial Dragon's Blood Hyaluroni

# Slushy weather is hindering my shoe wardrobe! Can you suggest functional boots I can wear on a night out that do not sacrifice style? —Freya

DEAR FREYA:

For all of us who adore our fabulous footwear, this really is the big question. I can't tell you how many pairs of gorgeous leather boots I've ruined because I foolishly didn't want to sacrifice "high style" for the sake of sensibility. But a couple of years ago, I just gave in and stopped being in denial of the fact that I live in a place that sees lots of snow and ice every winter, and to add insult to injury, all the salt that's used on the roads and sidewalks really wreaks havoc with my fine leather footwear.

So I went on a quest to find the most fashionable boots that I could that would keep my feet dry and not get ruined by the elements. Guess what? I actually found a few pairs, thanks to a couple of wonderful

brands. First, La Canadienne, a Montreal company, turns out a wide variety of cool boots that are both stylish and functional, made with the finest Italian materials and guaranteed waterproof for the first six months. I got a patent leather pair a couple of years back that are quite chic and really do fare well in the snow and sleet. Some of the wedge boots are attractive as well.

Another boot brand that I'm impressed with is Aquatalia. Constructed from the best weatherproof materials that keep your feet dry and cozy, these Italian-made boots are sublime. I'm happy to say I have the cutest Aquatalia wedge booties with fur trim—and a retro vibe—that have garnered me countless compliments.

There's no getting around the fact that in fashion, as in life, compromise is often a necessity. The last thing any of us want to do is look like victims—and that includes having our fabulous footwear victimized by slush! So have a look around. You will be able to find some reasonable alternatives, I assure you. You may have to abandon the skyhigh stilettos, strappy evening sandals and luscious little dress booties for a few months, but think of how great it'll feel to get back into them once all this bad weather is behind us.

Send questions to askjeanne@thekit.ca. Jeanne Beker is a contributing editor to the *Toronto Star* and host of Fashion Television Channel. Follow on Twitter @Jeanne\_Beker



It's little wonder some consider yoga pants part of a standard weekend wardrobe. A recent study by market researchers NPD Group shows just 19 per cent of fitness apparel sold in Canada is actually worn for sport or exercise. Give credit squarely to the labels. Both Canadian retailers and athletic-wear manufacturers alike are experimenting with fabric, texture and fit. Their new lines are technical, figure flattering, and fashion

forward. Translation: There is workout wear that's just right for you, whether you're a cross-fit enthusiast or the closest you've been to exercise in weeks was watching our cover girl, Canadian tennis star Eugenie Bouchard, while she dominated at the Australian Open. Here are our favourite new lines. We promise they'll help you feel (and look) good playing sports and watching them. (They might even help your backhand.)

# FOR THE WEEKEND WALKER

#### WHAT: HYBA

Reitmans expands beyond cozy knits and office staples with its new line of activewear, Hyba, in January. The cheerful palette, moisture-wicking fabrics, flat seams and wide waistbands that sit flat on the hips will be a hit with Pilates devotees and casual hikers alike.

WHY WE LOVE IT: THE SHAPE

Not everyone appreciates second-skin yoga pants. The details on Hyba garments include figure-flattering ruching around the midsection of sporty tanks and hidden mesh panels built into yoga pants to smooth out the tummy.

#### THE GAME CHANGER: SIZING

Reitmans is renowned for its democratic sizing, and Hyba offers clothing in sizes from XXS to XXL. Yoga pants are available in inseam lengths from 28 to 34 inches. Another perk? The whole line is affordably priced.

From left: Hyba hooded jacket, \$50; vest, \$26; mesh sweatshirt, \$36; leggings with side zip, \$40, all reitmans.com





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- BEAUTIFUL BRIDAL TRENDS
- HOT HATS AND HAIRSTYLES THEY WORK WITH
- 100 REASONS TO BE HAPPY



## FOR THE URBAN YOGI

#### WHAT: LOLË

Instead of focusing on being active as a single endeavour, Lolë knows our lives are busy all day—and designs its gear accordingly. With Canadian ready-to-wear designer Andy Thê-Anh at the helm, Lolë's a studio-to-street line.

#### WHY WE LOVE IT: DURABILITY

Beyond Lolë's stylish silhouettes and technically sound fabrics, it's the durability of these pieces that wins us over (Lolë garments are built to last over five years). Another bonus? Its environmental commitment: Lolë mixes organic cottons and eco-friendly fabrics to create soft, feminine pieces.

#### THE GAME CHANGER: THINKING BEYOND THE SPORTS BRA

While Lolë covers the basics with this line (think leggings and tanks), it's the extras that are exceptional. Its solution to a raincoat is a breathable waterproof material cut in a chic trench silhouette. Another must-have: the Supta one-piece. This loose jumpsuit is an instaoutfit that can be pulled on after a workout or on the weekend.

From left: Lolë cropped pants, \$80; jumpsuit, \$120; jacket, \$220; pants, \$100, all at lolewomen.com

# FOR THE TECHY TRIATHLETE

#### WHAT: NIKE

Whether you're training for a half-marathon in all-weather conditions or working on military-inspired drills at the gym, Nike's innovation is key.

#### WHY WE LOVE IT: TECH SAVVY

From Dri-FIT fabric that slicks water away from the skin to the Nike+ Fuelband that makes daily activity fun and consistent, Nike's commitment to technology makes your workouts easier, no matter the sport or weather.

#### THE GAME CHANGER: NIKE+ FUELBAND SE

Set activity goals online, then watch as this sleek bracelet, designed to wear all day, tracks

not only your workouts but also the exertion of your late-night karaoke-a-thon. The Fuelband converts movement into energy and keeps tabs on whether you're meeting your target. To keep people motivated, Nike also launched its Nike Training Club fitness app, with more than 150 easy-to-follow 15-, 30- and 45-minute workouts. Not that you'll need it—everyone stops to ask you about the bracelet, so it's hard to be lazy.

From left: Nike+ FuelBand SE, \$149; Flyknit+ running shoe, \$195, Dri-FIT hoodie, \$80; all at Nike stores and nike.ca; women's tennis dress, \$110, at sportinglife.ca



### ULTIMATE GYM KIT

Four editors share their (low-tech, analog) workout wonders

#### **BANG PROTECTOR**

I have hardcore bangs. They're long, they're blunt, they get in my face. To keep them back during lunch-hour yoga, I use a stretchy, wide Lululemon headband. Bonus: it doubles as an eye mask during shavasana.

—Emma Yardley, online editor LULULEMON HARMONY HEADBAND \$18, LULULEMON.COM

#### **WOW WRISTLET**

I always take my gym card, phone and wallet into my Zumba class. I had a really nice one from U.K.-based leather brand Tula, but it was upgraded recently when I got a gift from another Brit label, Mulberry.

—Alex Laws, senior editor

MULBERRY WRISTLET POUCH,

\$470, MULBERRY.COM

#### **BEAUTY BALM**

Lip balm is a must, as I find leaving the gym post-workout equals instantly dry lips. If the balm is tinted I'll even use it on my cheeks so I don't look like I just finished a workout!

—Christine Loureiro, editor-in-chief

CARMEX MOISTURE PLUS
TINTED LIP BALM, \$5,
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UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS

I know this line is generally for college students but I could live in my Pink hoodies. The oversized hood is so soft you can bury yourself in it and leave a spin class incognito.

-Vanessa Taylor, fashion editor PINK HOODIE, \$50, VICTORIASSECRET.COM



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BY JILL DUNN

### NEW WRINKLE **ERASERS**

Have you ever thought of your fine lines and wrinkles as skin "injuries"? The latest wrinklebusting science is straight from the field of regenerative medicine: equating skin wrinkles to micro scars. (Collapsed collagen and elastin in the lower levels of our skin cause wrinkle dips and grooves, or "scars.") According to physician and surgeon Dr. Peter Lorenz, who directs the Scarless Skin Repair Laboratory at Stanford School of Medicine, the key is to stimulate the pro-regenerative proteins in the lower levels of our skin so the wrinkle is prompted to "heal" itself, resulting in a smoother surface.

Take Giorgio Armani Beauty's latest formula: Crema Nera Extrema. After screening more than 350 plants, the company tapped the healing powers of the South African resurrection plant,

Myrothamnus flabellifolius—though deprived of vital elements for decades, it can revive itself when put in contact with water after mere hours. On skin, it can kick-start

GIORGIO ARMANI BEAUTY CREMA **NERA EXTREMA** SUPREME REVIV-ING CREAM. cells to behave \$380, AT HOLT like younger **RENFREW AND** versions of SELECT HUDSON'S themselves. **BAY STORES** 

Even the gold standard of wrinkle smoothers, retinol (favoured by dermatologists for its clinically proven wrinkle-combatting nature), is getting an upgrade. Once tough to tolerate, it's now being controlled in time-release formulas (which slowly and steadily infuse skin with the treatment instead of a one-time blast), outperforming its predecessors sans redness or flakiness. "Our latest treat-

ment is formulated with a patented encapsulation system that protects the retinol from oxidation," says Ann Marie Mac-Donald, president of Toronto-based Miracle 10 Cosmet ics Inc. "When the product is applied, the capsule breaks down and delivers the retinol to the skin in its most active form."

The treatment also contains blackcurrant seed oil, sunflower seed oil and rosemary leaf extract, which

MIRACLE 10 MIRACLE10.COM are anti-inflammatory, and skin-

healing vitamin E and lavender.

### **SKIN PLUMPERS**

Gravity may be a hit at the box office, but it's another story when it comes to your skinno one wants droopy jawlines or sunken

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cheeks. While nothing short of a laser can truly resculpt or reshape your face, these new ingredients can help to restore skin density and improve overall tone and elasticity.

Peptides are the most trusted ingredient to bring the bounce back, but

what's new is the way they're being formulated. Combining collagen-stimulating peptides with botanicals like algae yields maximum effectiveness, as we see in the latest Strivectin Tightening Face Cream.



KIEHL'S SUPER MULTI-CORRECTIVE CREAM. \$68, KIEHLS.CA

Kiehl's latest anti-ager, its Super Multi-Corrective cream, was 17 months in the making. It safeguards against sagging with a triple-threat blend of beech- tree extract derivative (a sugar found abundantly in beech trees that helps improve skin's overall firmness), as well as jasmonic acid, which triggers a self-repair process in skin cells to correct loss of suppleness and elasticity, and hyaluronic acid, known for its ability to improve skin firmness and improve plumpness."These work together to impact the top, mid and deepest layers of the skin, and provide improvement in skin's texture, tone and elasticity." says Adam Geyer, consulting dermatologist with Kiehl's.

### **SKIN** LIGHTENERS

It used to be that harsh ingredients like hydroquinone (which effectively bleached the skin) were the only option to put the brakes on excess melanin production (responsible for those pesky dark spots).

But the new smoothing and brightening ingredients give you that same seamless effect without the irritation. Clinique's Repairwear Laserfocus (introduced two years ago) has already been upgraded -a testament to just how quickly new innovation is being churned out in beauty labs. "Our new resurfacing technology includes a group of ingredients that, when combined, improve skin texture and smooth the surface by more than double the effect of the original formula, after only two weeks of use," says Dr. Tom Mammone, CLINIQUE executive director of Clinique research and

development. "The first ingredientsalvia sclarea, or clary extractsupports the restoration of the skin's barrier layer. The second ingredient, acetyl

LASER FOCUS, \$59. CLINIQUE.CA glucosamine, is an integral part of the connective tissue that holds cells together. It supports the skin's natural structure by helping to naturally break the bonds between skin cells, encouraging

CLINIQUE

REPAIRWEAR

exfoliation," says Mammone. Meanwhile Lancôme's latest skin-perfecting serum targets the main colouring concerns for each skin type: blotchiness for fair skin, sallowness in medium skin tones and scars and hyperpigmentation in darker skin tones.

The end game with each pearlescent cream is to have a more uniform complexion, so it delivers immediate luminosity and long-term correction benefits.



LANCÔME DREAMTONE **CUSTOMIZED SKIN TONE** CORRECTING SERUM, \$110, LANCOME.CA

### **HYDRATION HELPERS**

While exfoliation keeps pores clear and makes skin glowy, too much can actually age the skin, stripping away the moisture barrier (crucial to lock out age-inducing aggressors).



**KORRES** GREEK YOGHURT ADVANCED **NOURISHING SLEEPING** FACIAL, \$59, AT SEPHORA AND SELECT SHOPPERS

This results in what's known as trans-epidermal water loss (a technical term for when water escapes the skin's surface, resulting in chronic dryness). Enter the hot new hypermoisturizing import from Korea: sleeping facials. These gel-like formulas are slathered on before bedtime, allowing your skin to sip a long drink while you get some shut-eye. What's different about these, as opposed to night creams (which treat) or traditional masks (which you have to rinse off), is that these masks are about delivering intense hydration and balancing



LUXE SLEEP MASK, \$365 AT HOLT RENFREW

They melt in right away (no need to rinse) so that you look plump and refreshed in the morning. Teeming with hydrating ingredients like ceramides and hyaluronic acid, they help halt chronic water loss so your skin doesn't shrivel during the day. Beauty sleep is finally living up to its name.

Jill Dunn is a freelance writer and beauty expert in Toronto @JillD tweets



### **EXCLUSIVE**

Jane Wurwand, founder of Dermalogica and ambassador for glowing skin, shares her top tips to an ageless complexion

1. THE NUMBER ONE ANTI-AGER IS SPF 30 "Instead of 'sun protection,' we need to iza tha idaa af defence," says Wurwand. "It doesn't matter if you're on a beach in the summer or a ski slope in winter-anytime you're in daylight, you're subject to UV damage, which is the worst skin offender.'

2. TONER IS YOUR FIRST MOISTURIZING STEP, NOT A CLEANSING STEP "Toner is a product in transition, Wurwand explains. "It used to be that cleansers were oil-based, non-water-soluble, so you needed an astringent, alcohol-based toner to remove excess oil residue." With the advent of water-based foaming cleansers, astringent toners are too strong. Now, toners help even out patchy spots before applying serum or moisturizer.

3. FACIAL FILLERS AND **BOTOX CAN'T REPLACE GOOD SKINCARE** "Botox and fillers might be good for lines, but they don't do anything to treat the texture or tone of your skin," says Wurwand.

she says.

#### 4. USING TOO MANY **PRODUCTS IS A FAUX PAS**

"I think the biggest flaw I see with people's skincare is that they use too many products and they're confused. I can't see how you can use more than five products in one day -who's got the time?" she says. "Lots of light layers of moisture will be the best: a hydrating toner, serum, primer, moisturizer and an eye cream.'

5. EXFOLIATE BUT DON'T **OVERDO IT** "An editor

once told me that our Daily Microfoliant is like a gateway drug," says Wurwand, laughing. "The skin is an organ of protection-too much exfoliation starts to stress the skin and it can become inflamed because it's trying to protect itself."

**DERMALOGICA** SPECIAL CLEANSING GEL, \$43, ULTRA SMOOTHING EYE SERUM, \$65, AND AGE SMART SUPER RICH REPAIR, \$101, AT SKIN CENTERS AND DERMALOGICA.CA



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to spread my message." And so, rather than keep waiting to be right for the part, I decided to go ahead and create a business of my own where I fit the role.

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We wanted everything at the Target spring preview. (Especially in the Peter Pilotto line.)



MODEL MAN Behind the scenes of our next Mr. Kit issue: our fashion editor, Vanessa Taylor!



Alex Laws jumps on board at the launch of Forever 21's active line.



There's a lot of research that goes into a beauty story. (Our kind of research!)



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Siting pretty during the photo shoot for our April cover (it's all about spring makeup.)

OUR FAVOURITE ITEMS FROM E-TAILERS WE LOVE

"This is a must-have flat, and in black and white, it is in line with one of the strongest trends for Spring," says Christine Carlton, co-founder, The September. "I love the silhouette of this shoe. The pointy toe gives it such an elegant and clean look."

> Tabitha Simmons Alexa pointy-toe leather flat, \$645

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Playing off perforated and polka-dot trends, Pine & Boon's Leather Dot Pouch is an absolute must. It's also maker Jess Mariés favourite item of all! "I love how simple it is," she says, "but those dots create an extra element of interest."



Pine & Boon leather dot pouch, \$48

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