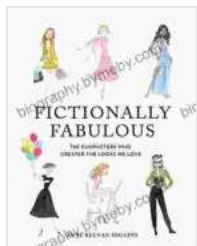


The Characters Who Created the Looks We Love



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Fashion is a powerful form of self-expression. It can communicate our personality, our mood, and our values. But where do the trends we see on the runway and in magazines come from? Who are the people who create the looks that we love?

In her new book, "The Characters Who Created the Looks We Love," fashion historian Susannah Frankel explores the lives and work of some of the most influential fashion icons of all time. From Coco Chanel and Christian Dior to Audrey Hepburn and David Bowie, Frankel tells the stories of the people who have shaped the way we dress.

Frankel's book is a fascinating journey through fashion history. She introduces us to the designers who have revolutionized the way we think

about clothing, the models who have brought their designs to life, and the celebrities who have made them famous. Frankel also explores the cultural influences that have shaped fashion trends, from the rise of the suburbs to the sexual revolution.

"The Characters Who Created the Looks We Love" is a must-read for anyone who loves fashion. It is a beautifully written and visually stunning book that will transport you to the world of style and glamour. Frankel's insights into the lives and work of these icons will give you a new appreciation for the power of fashion.

The Designers

Coco Chanel is one of the most iconic fashion designers of all time. She is credited with revolutionizing women's fashion, introducing the little black dress, the pearls and cardigan sweater, and the Chanel suit. Chanel was a master of simplicity and elegance, and her designs have remained popular for decades.

Christian Dior was another legendary fashion designer. He is known for his feminine and glamorous designs, which were popularized by celebrities such as Grace Kelly and Marilyn Monroe. Dior's "New Look" was a reaction to the wartime austerity of the 1940s, and it helped to restore glamour and femininity to women's fashion.

Yves Saint Laurent was a groundbreaking fashion designer who challenged traditional gender roles. He is known for his androgynous designs, which were often inspired by menswear. Saint Laurent was also a pioneer in the use of non-traditional materials, such as leather and vinyl.

The Models

Twiggy was one of the most famous models of the 1960s. She is known for her androgynous look, which was characterized by her short haircut, long eyelashes, and thin figure. Twiggy was a muse for fashion designers such as Mary Quant and Yves Saint Laurent, and she helped to popularize the "mod" look.

Cindy Crawford is one of the most successful models of all time. She is known for her beauty and her athletic figure. Crawford has appeared on the covers of countless magazines, and she has been a spokesperson for brands such as Pepsi, Revlon, and Omega.

Kate Moss is a British model who has been a fashion icon for over two decades. She is known for her edgy and androgynous style. Moss has been a muse for designers such as Alexander McQueen and John Galliano, and she has been featured on the covers of magazines such as Vogue and W.

The Celebrities

Audrey Hepburn is one of the most iconic actresses of all time. She is known for her timeless style, which is characterized by its simplicity and elegance. Hepburn's most famous role was as Holly Golightly in the film "Breakfast at Tiffany's." Her iconic black dress and oversized sunglasses have become synonymous with style and glamour.

Marilyn Monroe is another legendary actress who is known for her style and beauty. She is often associated with the "dumb blonde" stereotype, but Monroe was actually a very intelligent and talented woman. Her most famous role was as Lorelei Lee in the film "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes."

Monroe's signature look was a white halter dress and a platinum blonde wig.

David Bowie was a groundbreaking musician and artist who is known for his androgynous style. He is often credited with popularizing the "glam rock" look, which was characterized by its glitter, makeup, and outrageous costumes. Bowie's style was constantly evolving, but he always remained true to his own unique vision.

The Cultural Influences

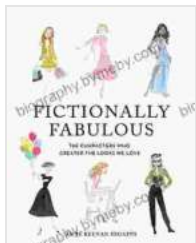
The rise of the suburbs in the 1950s had a major impact on fashion. Women who were living in the suburbs wanted clothes that were comfortable and easy to care for. This led to the popularity of casual wear, such as jeans and t-shirts.

The sexual revolution of the 1960s also had a major impact on fashion. Women began to wear clothes that were more revealing and less restrictive. This led to the popularity of miniskirts, hot pants, and other revealing styles.

The rise of hip-hop culture in the 1980s had a major impact on fashion. Hip-hop artists began to wear oversized clothes and sportswear, and this style was quickly adopted by young people all over the world.

Fashion is a constantly evolving art form. The characters who have created the looks we love have left an indelible mark on history. Their designs, their models, and their celebrities have helped to shape the way we dress and the way we see ourselves.

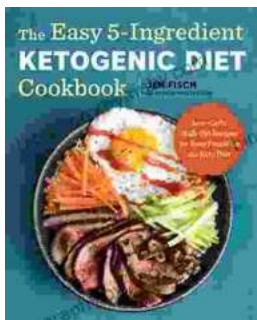
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