

# The Wardrobe Studio

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## NEWSLETTER #4

A new fashion season is once again upon us, and although many of you are probably still enjoying lazy summer days, it's time to start thinking about your winter wardrobe - pack away those strappy sun dresses and bikinis, and bring out your coats and boots!

If you're wondering what to buy from the many new styles already coming into store, take a look at some of this season's top trends:

- **Gothic** - white ruffled blouses, black jeans and killer statement shoes are key pieces in this seasons gothic trend - think Morticia meets Sleepy Hollow.
- **70's** - from rock chic to glam hippie, the seventies seem set to stay. Look out for paisley prints, faded wide leg jeans and fringed bags and boots.
- **Grunge** – reminiscent of the early 90's, grunge has made a comeback with battered jeans, checked shirts and printed vests being a big feature - think Amy Winehouse at her best!
- **Tartan** - definitely this winters most prolific print; tailored trousers, blazers, coats, skirts and even tights, bags and shoes are to be found in plaids and tartans.
- **Lace** - sharp cuts and clever styling give this traditional fabric a modern make-over.
- **Sequins** - sprinkled over t-shirts and more, sequins are one of this season's most popular details.
- **Colours** - black, grey in all shades, white and navy are this winter's favourite neutrals. Other colours to look out for are red, purple, teal and inky blue.
- **Investment pieces** - a white blouse with ruffle or tuck detailing, an oversized "boyfriend" cardigan, a full ballerina skirt, a trench coat, a biker jacket, a pencil skirt, tweed trousers, a blazer, a faux fur gilet, leggings, platform shoes and shoe boots are all hot items to add to your shopping list for winter.

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## Winter shopping

If you are thinking of hitting the shops soon to stock up on winter essentials, you might want to consider a Professional Shopping Session to insure your money is well spent and you have help wading through the different styles, picking the pieces best for you. March and April are great months for winter shopping, and I'm offering a free professional make-up session (valued at R400 and valid for a year) with any three or more services, or a styling package booked over this period. [Click here to read more....](#)

## Stylist Training Courses

After countless calls and emails from people wanting to know more about what I do and how to become stylists themselves, and not that many training options available in South Africa, I decided it was time to offer something myself. Joining forces with Allison Bassett (stylist extraordinaire and treasured friend) we have put together two fun and practical training courses that will teach you everything you need to know about this exciting industry, and how to become either a personal stylist or fashion stylist. Courses are set to start in May of this year and are not to be missed if you feel this could be your calling! [Click here to read more....](#)

Until next time when I'll share with you some of the best local places to shop and what you should be shopping for!

Warm regards,

**Alice**