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Womenswear

Inspiration and design

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About this report

Coats, dresses, tops, knitwear, trousers, denim and tailoring, item by item.

The waist returns and handcraft moves into everyday clothes. Shapes get defined again, sneakers step back for elegant shoes, and colour comes back in full: purple, true red and Klein blue over sun-faded whites and sand.

How to read the stages

Emerging new, test in small quantities

Rising growing, build into the range

Peaking at its height, sell through

Fading moving out, reduce or rework



Inspiration

The waist returns

After years of oversized shapes the waist is back. Peplums, basque waists, balloon and bubble shapes and belted or wrapped fronts define the body again.

Why now

Forecasters see a return to elegance and shape. A defined waist refreshes existing silhouettes without new categories.

Seen at

Li Edelkoort, "Craft of Black": Wraps and belts the waist tightly; SS27 bridal and evening: Corseted bodices, basque waists and bubble skirts; Double belt: Returns as a waist accessory

Key pieces

Peplum, Basque waist, Bubble hem; basque waist bodices.

18-4048 TCX, #2F5FC0 and 13-3920 TCX, #CFE0FF

Source: FashionUnited, Spring/Summer 2027 trend report



Inspiration

Elegant ease

Dressing gets refined again. The tie returns, shirts are tucked in, trousers are pleated and slightly puffed, and elegant mules and pointed flats replace sneakers.

Why now

Fabric forecasters say street style and sneakers are giving way to elegance.

Seen at

Loewe: The return of the tie; Munich Fabric Start forecasters: "Everything is becoming elegant"; SS27 menswear: Slimmer ties, pleated and puffed trousers

Key pieces

Slim ties, Mules, Pointed flats; tucked shirts with slim ties.

17-6333 TCX, #4F7A3C and 12-5404 TCX, #E4F0DA

Source: FashionUnited, SS27 Paris coverage and SS27 trend report



Inspiration

Undone

A deliberately unfinished look: straps falling off the shoulder, exposed or unhooked undergarments, top layers left unsewn and raw, frayed hems on muslin-like cottons.

Why now

A relaxed, personal take on elegance, and raw edges suit natural fabrics.

Seen at

Altuzarra: Deshabille looks; Christian Cowan: Undone layers; Coach and Prabal Gurung: Muslin looks; LII: Double-layer minis

Key pieces

Raw hems, Slip straps, Muslin; unfinished raw hems.

17-0610 TCX, #8F897C and 11-0608 TCX, #F2EFE8

Source: The Zoe Report, NYFW SS27 trends; FashionUnited, SS27 Paris coverage



Inspiration

Reworked denim

Denim reimagined: white cut-off shorts, cobalt-painted jeans, wax-coated bootcuts, embroidered and beaded denim, upcycled pieces and matching denim suits.

Why now

Denim is a core volume category, and new finishes refresh it without new fits.

Seen at

Area: Cut-off white shorts and trousers; Simkhai: Wax-coated bootcut jeans; PatBo: Embroidered and beaded denim; 7 For All Mankind: Skinny jeans

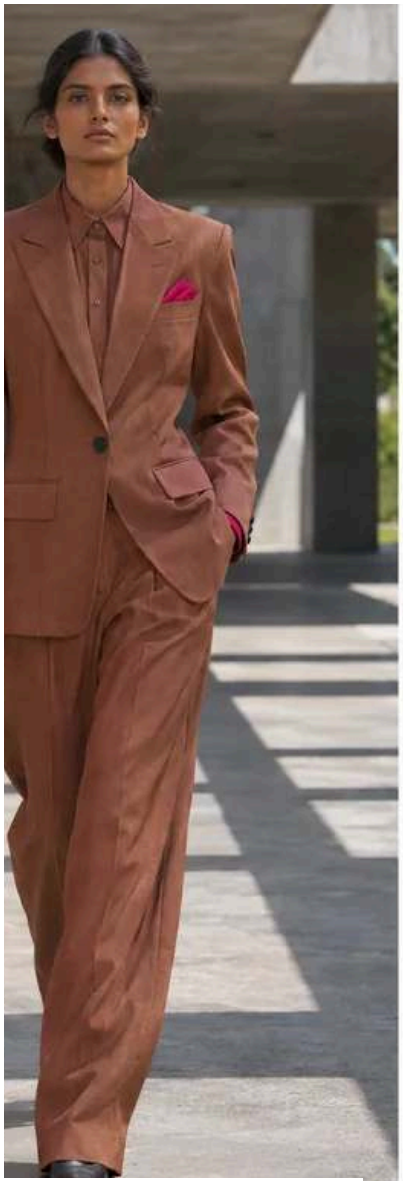
Key pieces

Cut-offs, Coated denim, Denim suits; cut-off denim shorts.

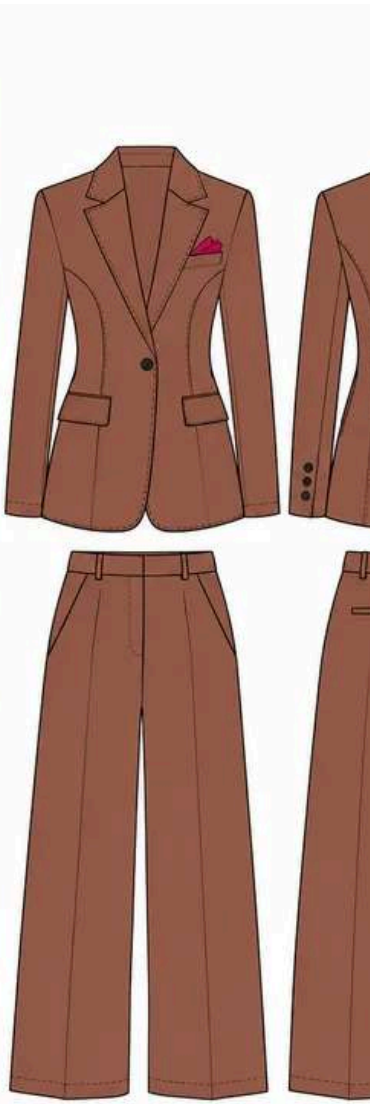
19-4057 TCX, #24446F and 13-3920 TCX, #C9D8EF

Source: The Zoe Report, NYFW SS27 trends; FashionUnited, SS27 Paris coverage

Moodboard



Black tailoring with fuchsia accents





Corseted tea-length crinoline dresses



Cropped parkas over evening gowns



Cup-bodice gold column gowns



Lace-up corset-back sequin gowns



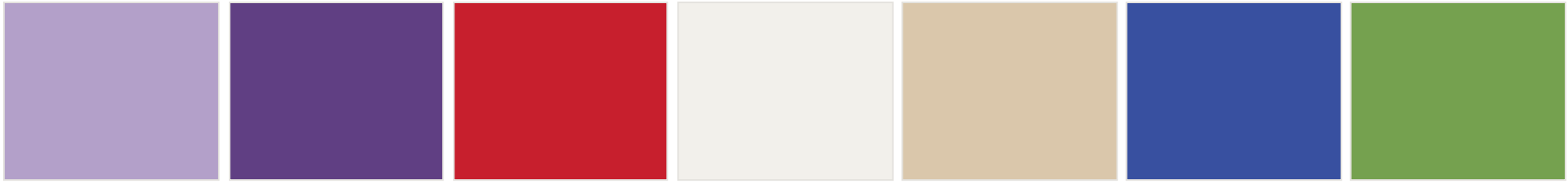
Low-rise bootcut jeans



Off-shoulder tweed sheath dresses

Colour

The SS27 palette, with Pantone TCX and HEX codes.



Lilac
15-3720 TCX
#B3A0C9

Violet
19-3642 TCX
#603F83

True red
18-1763 TCX
#C71F2D

Optic white
11-0602 TCX
#F2F0EB

Sand
13-1009 TCX
#DAC7AB

Klein blue
18-3949 TCX
#3850A0

Grass green
16-0237 TCX
#75A14F

Colour by theme



The waist returns: 18-4048 TCX with 13-3920 TCX, for basque waist bodices.



Elegant ease: 17-6333 TCX with 12-5404 TCX, for tucked shirts with slim ties.



Undone: 17-0610 TCX with 11-0608 TCX, for unfinished raw hems.

Key pieces



Black tailoring with fuchsia accents

Womenswear, Tailoring, colour

Black wool and corduroy suiting with fuchsia kept as the only accent colour, never mixed in one outfit; Reserved x Dawid Woliński capsule, Europe, 5 Nov 2026.

Rising



Corseted tea-length crinoline dresses

Womenswear, Dresses, silhouette

Strapless corset bodices over a crinoline-lined petticoat skirt cut to tea length, softened with tulle draped over the shoulders; Vivienne Westwood custom black Chantilly-lace dress for Ariana Grande at the London 'Focker-In-Law' premiere, 18 Nov 2026.

Rising



Cropped parkas over evening gowns

Womenswear, Coats & Jackets, layer

A short parka-style jacket thrown over a beaded evening gown; bbyclose at the 40th ARIA Music Awards, Sydney, 18 Nov 2026, alongside moto jackets over dresses on the same carpet.

Rising



Cup-bodice gold column gowns

Womenswear, Dresses, bodice

Long metallic-gold gowns with a defined cup or bustier bodice, all-over shine and a high slit; several stars at the 47th Cairo International Film Festival, 11 Nov 2026.

Rising



Lace-up corset-back sequin gowns

Womenswear, Dresses, back

Fully sequinned column gowns closed with corset lacing down the back; Tamara Ralph on Lily James at the Governors Awards, Los Angeles, 15 Nov 2026, with Karol G's lace-up corset bodice (Celia Kritharioti couture) at the Latin Grammys, 12 Nov.

Rising



Low-rise bootcut jeans

Womenswear, Denim, shape

Low-slung jeans, slim through the thigh with a slight flare below the knee, as in Madhappy x Lucky Brand (Oct 2026).

Rising



Off-shoulder tweed sheath dresses

Womenswear, Dresses, neckline

Fitted midi sheaths in metallic tweed with an off-shoulder, sculpted neckline; Rebecca Vallance's custom tweed dress for Helena Christensen at Victoria Derby Day, Melbourne (31 Oct 2026), in line with the VRC's sleeveless midi sheath forecast for the carnival.

Rising



Tone-on-tone embroidered tuxedos

Womenswear, Tailoring, embellishment

Black smoking suits embroidered all over in black, worn as the alternative to a gown; Marian Saud for Débora Plager at the Martín Fierro de Cable awards, Buenos Aires, 12 Nov 2026.

Rising

Key pieces



Argyle knits

Womenswear, Knitwear, pattern

Diamond argyle patterns on knits.

Rising



Asymmetric wrap closures

Womenswear, Coats & Jackets, closure

Off-centre wrap fronts held with a tie.

Rising



Backless apron tops

Womenswear, Tops & Shirts, neckline

Halter tops that tie at the neck and leave the back open.

Rising



Balloon trousers

Womenswear, Trousers & Skirts, shape

Volume gathered into the ankle.

Rising



Band-collar shirts with long placket

Womenswear, Tops & Shirts, collar

Collarless shirts with an extended placket.

Rising



Barrel leg with curved outseam

Womenswear, Denim, seam

Curved seams shaping the leg.

Rising



Barrel-leg cargo jeans

Womenswear, Denim, pocket

Curved legs with cargo pockets.

Rising



Barrel-leg trousers

Womenswear, Trousers & Skirts, shape

Curved legs that taper at the hem.

Rising

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Sources: SS27 themes summarise published runway and trade coverage from the September–October 2026 shows, including FashionUnited and The Zoe Report. Pantone announces its 2027 colour of the year in December 2026.

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