

RUNway/REALway-Part 4

I thought it would be great to look at current fashion trends for Spring 2010 seen on runways all over the world and translate those ideas into wearable styles for the everyday man and woman, namely us! I will break down the components that encompass that trend and show you how to interpret it using items easily found in your own closet, or at the Goodwill Retail Store & Donation Center near you!

Like last week, I wanted to look at those wonderful monochromatic looks from the fashion shows! Monochromatic literally means, "having, or perceived as having only one color or tone." Believe it or not, most tones in the same shade range will work together. A prime example would be all the purple/lavender tones shown in these looks from New York Fashion Week Spring 2010. It may seem a "little out there" but bear with me. Color is something to be embraced, not afraid of. Unfortunately that is why we see so many blah beige, grey, brown and black ensembles. Color just seems so right for spring, so get on track at the Goodwill Retail Store & Donation Center near you!



I started by scanning the racks for colors in a similar palette, which was easy given that most are sorted by color at the stores! The woman in the photo looks so great, and is a prime example of tone on tone fashion. I started with a Daisy Fuentes dress for \$4.99, and topped it with an Alexander Bartlett cardigan for \$4.99, a shoulder bag in chain maille from Fashion Express pops against the lavender for \$3.99. So classy, yet vibrant is the way to go here!



To take it further, look at the detail of satin on the Rafaella sweater for \$3.99, and our CG2B shoes are a dead ringer for the ones in our fashion photo for just \$3.99!



The Liz Claiborne purse is such a steal for \$3.99, and the color is just perfect for layering into our ensemble. When playing with color keep in mind that the eye does see just one tone in all the ensembles I have shown you this month! Bring on the color for Spring 2010!



I think our "Runway" translation looks great, and I hope it inspires you to add some color to your wardrobe for spring. Next week, I'll share my photos and insights into Mercedes Benz Fashion Week that I attended February 11 through the 18! I'll keep you up to date, plus give you ideas to transform yourself through your wardrobe at a reasonable price. That is what I love to do and the Goodwill Retail Store and Donation Center helps me make it happen!

