

Goodwill Hunting Part 2—Top it off!

Last week we talked about the importance of shoes to create a striking ensemble. This week I'll take you once again behind the scenes of our "Amazing Looks" section. Tops, as in blouses, camisoles, etc., are almost always where I start to build an outfit. Perfect with jeans, skirts, underneath coats, jackets and sweaters—a good top is always a "go to" item in any smart gal's wardrobe.

Recently with movies like "Sex and the City" the embellished blouse takes center stage. Whether as a background for statement necklaces and other jewelry, or standing alone with sequins, beads and lace trim. Let's take a look at what I found, that you might see in an upcoming photo, or at a store near you! All items have come from a regular shopping trip to the Goodwill Store & Donation Center near me, and I return what we do not choose for the shoot. That's why I LOVE to show you how many great items I find!

1. MKM slinky black top with draped front and handkerchief hem. When you turn around check out the bling! This is an awesome top for jeans or a pencil skirt and it's just \$3.99.



2. X-hilaration bright blue with sequins tunic length top. The color and the print on the bottom make this a great summer addition. With shorts, or a skirt this would really bring out the skin tone on almost anyone for \$3.99.



3. I paired a scarf in a floral pattern for \$1.99 with a pretty UW camisole that is dramatic and shiny for just \$2.99! It would be a stand out look with a flowing gypsy skirt, or even leggings or skinny jeans given its longer length. This is a lot of look for the price!



4. This Heat Soul top in peach with sequins is just \$2.99! The cut of the top that defines under the breast, and floats away around the tummy is always a good bet. The color is phenomenal and is universally flattering!



5. Lace is always nice as a layering piece under other things. This New York Company top has a flesh-toned underlining that gives a nice sheer illusion without revealing too much. \$3.99 is a great starting piece under a jacket or sweater.



6. Ciudad Campus did this whimsical pop-art floral design shell. It's so cheerful and fun loving with jeans or a casual skirt, and a lot of fun peeking out from under a blazer or jacket for just \$2.99!



7. Brand NEW lulumari top in crimson with gold metal details under the bust was originally \$58.00, and the tag is still on it! Our price for this Amazing Find? An unbelievable \$4.99.



8. Layering is a hot look always, and here's how to do it in a beautiful way. Starting with a Banana Republic side zip camisole for \$2.99, I layered over a BCBG silk floral flutter top for \$3.99 for a delicate and classy look. Perfect with jeans and some high-heeled sandals!



9. Simplicity is the way to go with an '80s inspired tank top like this red knit with grommet trim on the neck for \$3.99. I would pair this with some leather jeans, distressed denim jeans, or even a plaid "school girl" pleated skirt. Tights and flats would complete the look.



10. This XOXO paisley has a tie around the waist for extra glamour, and subtle sequin trim that enhance the print. This would be great with a voluminous lightweight cotton skirt for a gypsy, or "boho" look with flat metallic sandals.

As you can see there are loads of tops to choose from at any Goodwill Store & Donation Center, but it's up to you to really figure out how to "top off" your spring and summer wardrobe at bargain prices!

