Fashion Tip: Incorporate Trench Coats into your Holiday Wardrobe





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The holiday season typically brings with it a mix of all kinds of weather than can be hard to predict. Even in the South, the weather is much colder than it usually is the rest of the year, with rain and wind thrown in there as well. You must always be prepared for what winter has to offer, and what better way to be prepared than to know how to incorporate everyone's favorite <u>fashion</u> staple: the trench coat? A wardrobe essential that never goes out of style, there's an array of <u>fashion tips</u> all throughout history and pop culture for how to rock this famous coat style.

With the holidays approaching, what are some fashion tips on how to

style a trench coat that'll have everyone at your holiday get-togethers envious?

If there's one thing that the trench coat is, it's culturally iconic. With both women and men flaunting their style with this fashion statement since the 1930s, it is a timeless way to look and feel glamorous. Everyone from Blake Lively to Meghan Markle has shown how simple, yet chic, the coat can be. A clothing choice that will never go out of style, it's an easy way to elevate an outfit. If you're thinking about joining the trench coat club during the holidays, Cupid has some fashion advice on some of the best times to wear the staple this season:

1. To work: Some of the most memorable pop culture references of the trench coat are in 1970s films. If you're tired of wearing the same drab, black slacks with a white button-down to work, this coat can easily switch up that wardrobe. You'll look like a killer businesswoman showing up to the office just by trading in your slacks for a wide-legged trouser, a blush-colored blouse, and a black or camel-toned trench.

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- 2. On the weekend: In the midst of the holiday season, there are several instances where holiday parties are going to be on your radar. If you're unsure of what to wear to the event, a good choice to dress up a simple black dress is to pop a trench coat over it before you head out the door. Make sure the coat has a vibrant color so that it stands out among your peers as you walk into that party; all eyes will be on you.
- 3. To brunch: Not every outing with a trench coat has to be one that involves being the center of attention. A trench coat

can be casual, too. Next time you're hitting up brunch with your gals on a Sunday, try pairing a light-colored trench with a sweater and a pair of jeans. This can be a simple, yet effective way of making your outfit look more fashionable than it is.

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- 4. When it's raining: Besides being a fashion statement, the trench coat is actually a very versatile option to the rain jacket when it comes to the changing weather. When it's raining, it can be a life-saver as you head out into the storm. If you don't want to look like a drowned rat on days it drizzles, try pairing a simple outfit like a nice blouse or over-sized sweater with some leather leggings and a black or beige trench coat. Wearing some riding boots can really draw the look together.
- 5. To family dinners: Coming home for the holidays is one of the best parts of the season. Thanksgiving and Christmas are times to catch up with everyone, and it's also the perfect time to pull out a trench coat. This coat doesn't always have to be the focal point of the outfit. It can be an outer layer that you can easily take off without ruining your outfit. For instance, find a burnt ember or olive green trench that can look classic while also being subtly festive.

How do you like to incorporate a trench coat into your holiday wardrobe? Let us know down below!