

How to wear Circle skirts



WEARING THE PANTS IS ALL WELL AND GOOD, BUT SOMETIMES EVEN the strongest personalities need to celebrate their feminine side. Enter the circle skirt. Recalling the poodle skirts of the Fifties and Dior's revolutionary postwar New Look silhouette before them, this nostalgic beauty is a study in refined elegance. Typically crafted from a single piece of fabric, cut to drape from a nipped-in waist, the simplicity of the design belies its ability to enhance every figure by expertly skimming the hips and conjuring an hourglass shape.

Proportion's the key to wearing it well. Tuck in your top to keep the silhouette clean, and for best results wear heels to elongate your frame. As for the hemline, mid-length is flattering for most, though the more slender among us can play by their own rules.

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- Opt for a block-coloured version. Try a bright, saturated shade for eyecatching effect.
- Tap into the sport luxe trend by teaming your skirt with a well-cut sweatshirt.
- Dial up the now factor with a bomber jacket or shoe boots.
- Pair your skirt with an Oxford shirt, undone at the collar or buttoned to the top like you mean business.
- Achieve a polished finish with a cashmere cardigan and a pair of ankle-strap heels.
- Go for a French feel with a Breton striped tee, ballet flats and red lips.
- Tone down the ladylike sensibility with a pair of boyish brogues.
- Go casual in a chambray shirt, tucked in or worn open over a white tee then cinched with a belt.



Anne Mardell skirt, \$239.



Meredith skirt, \$229.

David Lawrence skirt, \$230.



Scope skirt, \$140.



Silver Lining skirt, \$149.



Cooper skirt, \$349.



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