

CLOTHES MAKE THE

MAN

What does
Menswear
really mean
in the 21st
Century?

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“**Clothes make the man” goes the ancient proverb, meaning “people will judge you by the clothes you wear”. Most would agree this holds true today. However, what is in a constant state of change, is how men in particular dress to present an image of masculinity.**

***Menswear* has evolved with us through history, differing greatly by geography, culture, and social ideology. Skirts, capes, and dresses have all been fixtures of a man's wardrobe at one point or other, not to mention wigs, makeup, and high-heeled shoes.**

So, what does masculinity look like in 2K21? Can contemporary fashion present a masculine image free from the gender expectations of the moment?

This editorial explores this notion through a modern take on classic male tropes that have captured fashion's imagination throughout the ages: the rebel, the romantic, the playboy, the performer, the dreamer, the influencer, and the hero.







