

## « STORE REVIEWS: CHIQUE SALON & SPA, TASSEL STYLE LOUNGE

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# Just Like Home

Salons are often places to pop in and out of. **Rhea Dhanbhoora** explains why you may want to spend a little more time at **Chique**...

There's a little lane called Road Number Three that you may not have heard of if you're not too familiar with Bandra. The lane is now home to Chique — a new unisex salon and spa. Located in a purple cottage, with a little swing and lush greenery all around, we think it's apt that Chique calls itself a 'home away from home.' You might have a hard time finding this well hidden salon but we love the fact that it's away from the noise and chaos of the main road. Relaxation here we come!

Walking up to the door was a strange feeling because until you're right at it, you feel like you're walking towards someone's house for a tea time visit. Once you're inside though, the interiors resemble a salon like any other.

The layout is open, airy and everything is more or less connected so whether you're getting your hair done or a pedicure, you're not isolated, but you're not cramped in the least bit, either.

They're generous with their time



and the staff seem to have a good work relationship with each other which makes you feel even more at home.

I opted for a Finger Facial Pedicure (₹1,200) which made me feel relaxed and refreshed. It's a good remedy for aching soles. The regular manicure (₹350) was not a disappointment either. They're enthusiastic and more than involved in what colour you should apply on your nails, giving you interesting suggestions and patiently waiting for you to make up your mind. I ended up walking out with an interesting bright orange on my nails!

Their hair treatments, even

something as simple as a wash and blow dry (₹600 onwards) are brilliant. The hair wash leaves your hair feeling soft and silky for days and the blow dry, which three days on is still going strong, without any use of hair spray or product to hold it in place.

They also offer various spa treatments that are worth a try. The Dermalogica face treatments range from ₹2,500 to ₹3,100 while their spa treatments range from ₹700 (foot reflexology) to ₹2,800 (hot stone massage) which are incredibly affordable. Chique also has bridal packages, drape saris and party makeup. It's an interesting mix all under one roof. The service is friendly without being overbearing. And if you, like me, are the type to usually shy away from salons, the experience at Chique is a refreshing change. Spending an evening sipping coffee or tea as they work on making your feet pretty and style your hair is an appealing thought when it comes to Chique The Hair Salon & Spa.

**WHERE** Chique Hair Salon and Spa, Road number 3, Union Park  
**CONTACT** 26007711  
**OUR PICK** Finger Facial Pedicure at ₹1,200

## « NEW LAUNCHES: FIND OUT WHAT'S JUST OUT



### VERY MILITARY COLLECTION FROM BAGGIT

Baggit's latest Military Chic collection includes bags with various zipper trims and lace. The gold and metal detailing, camouflage prints, criss-cross patterns and ornate trims are keeping in line with the current military look trend. The earthy colour palette is eye catching and the bags are totally worth it. The collection is feminine with a rockstar touch to it. The textures and designs have the required 'oomph' quotient too.

**Price:** ₹1,200 onwards

**Available at:** Atria Mall and 705, Linking Road, Opp. Khar Telephone Exchange, Khar (West)

### SUPER FLEX TREND

Pavers England, the stylish footwear brand has introduced a comfortable Super Flex Collection for men. They will love this new fashionable range of footwear. Super Flex is attractive and wrinkle free footwear that can be folded 360° inward. The light weight, anti-slip sole and anti wrinkle makes it the best choice for daily use and even a spot of adventure.

These leather shoes are available in shades of charcoal black, white, tan, and mahogany.

**Price:** ₹3,499.

**Available at:** Leading departmental stores such as Lifestyle, Central and Shoppers Stop



# SUBURBAN STYLE

**Shalvi Mangaokar** finds out what you can expect from Andheri's latest designer boutique...



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The entrance to Tassel Style Lounge looks funky and gets you thinking that the store will have loud, funky clothes, but you will be surprised once you're in.

The store owned by Mamta and Vivek Gautam in collaboration with their head merchandiser Megan Ryley, is a designer boutique where they promote new and budding designers from the International Institute of Fashion Design (INIFD), Andheri. The store is for women and has a great collection by designers such as Rajat Tangri, Nachiket Barve, Harangad Singh, the brand Pero and many more.

Mamta Gautam says, "There aren't many stores like this around the area. We wanted to show people here that all this could be accessible to them as well. They don't need to travel abroad to shop. Besides, we only house designer clothes and we want to build a good rapport with our clients." Vivek adds, "The response

has been good so far. We've had many people coming to check the store and they have liked the idea."

The store's collection changes as per the season and the designs are classy and chic. Priced decently for a designer boutique, the garments looked like they would make for good investments. Also some dresses looked interesting with great style and colour combinations. The small Barbie dolls draped in clothes designed by the third year students was what caught my attention. The idea to promote designs of students is simply great. Over all the store is a truly wholesome shopping experience.

**WHERE** . 242, opp. Versova telephone exchange, Andheri (West) **CONTACT** 26334088

**CLOTHES** ₹1,500 onwards

**ACCESSORIES** ₹1,000 onwards