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## SIMPLE TRICKS TO LOOK LIKE A BIG BUCKS FASHIONISTA WITHOUT BREAKING THE BANK

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Do you have a friend who wears clothes with a certain ‘je ne sais quoi’? Do you see the same women in your neighborhood wearing the exact jeans, shoes, and purse you do but always adds that extra something you can’t put your finger on that make her look like she was just styled for an Elle fashion shoot? The funny thing is; the women who look this good are not always blessed with a big bank account. Very often they are gifted with a heavy dose of fashion savvy. **Dr. Ngozi** is a fashion blogger who is one of those women! As an oral and maxillofacial surgeon by day, she is literally stopped on the

streets of Manhattan by women who want to know how to get her look. Here, the fashion doc shares her tricks of the trade.



**(1)** Paring black socks with a black wedge, shoe or pump will give the illusion of an ankle boot. This way you can get more looks from a statement shoe with a trending heel. This example is paired with socks I got for free from a Virgin Atlantic flight I took to London.

**(2)** Paring sheer socks with a pointy toe shoe that I bought in 2006 no longer en vogue gives this shoe new life and an edginess to be more relevant for today.

**(3)** Paring tube socks with an old pair of Uggs or casual boot gives it a fresh sporty sexy look. Choose colors that compliment your outfit. Contrast soft feminine pieces against the masculine tube socks.

**(4)** Place a major head band on top of a scarf to get a luxurious and chic look of the 1920's.

**(5)** Fine jewelry can be expensive as opposed to costume jewelry, so switch them up. I tend to wear my belts as necklaces for a more substantial, bold look. This can be done with any brand.

**(6)** I buy high street bags from the men's section which, in stores like Louis Vuitton are not as costly as the women's handbags. Their shoulder bags can be worn cross body as a messenger bag. Their portfolio bags become clutches and a backpack is unisex.

**(7)** All things being equal I would love to buy every inch of a collection I love, however I settle for getting an example by buying the bathing suits from the collection which represent the collection look. Pair it as a body suit with an A-line skirt, with shorts or pants it becomes a blouse. If the cut is that of a boy cut it can be worn as a playsuit or romper with or without a jacket.

**(8)** Place designer cosmetic product cases, lipstick, blush etc. in a clear clutch or bag to serve as a vignette and by association the bag will look as if it belongs to that designer.

**(10)** Changing the buttons of a garment with better quality buttons will make the garment more luxurious and opulent.

**(11)** A weak coat or dress can be made interesting and on trend by switching the belt with an investment designer belt.



## ABOUT

**IHENA EWU.COM** ihenaewu in the Igbo language means what is reigning, what is of the moment, what is happening? Fashion as a whole is constantly looking forward. To keep up one must have style. Welcome to my blog. I am a fierce risk taker when it comes to fashion. I believe every day is an excuse to get dressed up. Evoking visual fantasy is my overall style. It is my hope and wish that you get inspired to take bold risks in your personal style, as well.

