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All About Dresses & Skirts

Why Alter Dresses & Skirts?

Importance of suits/dress alterations
Confidence that well fitted clothes exudes
Prom & Wedding season

Dresses and skirts have become a fundamental part of most women's wardrobes but when they don't fit, they don't get worn. Tired of the waistline of your wrap dress sitting too low? or your strapless dress always feeling like it is going to fall down?

Here are some great styles and tips to help you look great in your dresses and skirts.

Styles of Dresses & Skirts:

Although there are countless types, we will be sticking to the classic cuts that will help compliment your body shape. It is all in the details.



A-Line:

A-line dresses have side seams that gently flare from the arms down to the hemline which gives it an A shape, or "tent" shape.



Wrap:

Wrap dresses take their inspiration from traditional Japanese kimonos. The wrap dress criss-crosses in the front of the body and then ties at the waist. Typically this is a fitted style dress which works well with many body shapes



Strapless:

Full, fitted, long or short, the strapless dress shows off your shoulders and neck. Typically this style of dress starts to flare outwards just below the bust line.



Bias Cut:

Bias dresses are cut on a diagonal to allow the dress to naturally follow your body's curves.



Full:

The full dress consists of a fitted torso paired with a pleated skirt. Some skirts have layers underneath to give the appearance of a bell shape.

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'If you don't have FIT, you don't have STYLE.'

Here are some great tips for your dresses and skirts so they fit and you have great style!

A-Line:

Fit Tip: If the armholes are too low, they can be tightened a little underneath on the side seams. Note that sometimes the neck opening needs to be slightly reshaped when you bring up the armholes.

Wrap:

Fit Tip: If the dress has a waist seam that runs around the entire dress, the waistline can be adjusted if there is enough fabric in the bodice.

Strapless:

Fit Tip: If you find that your strapless dress is hard to keep in place, the bodice can be adjusted and/or darted, or straps can be added as a last resort.

Bias Cut:

Fit Tip: Zippers or lace can be added to the back of the dress for a more snug fit.

Full:

Fit Tip: Add additional layers underneath the dress to add additional structure and shape to the dress.

