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I hope you are enjoying the spring season, which has *finally* arrived – my best to all...

here are some of the new warmer-weather trends

1. Bright, fun colors – pink yellow, green – can be worn with white or black, or even by themselves. Wear these colors to accent your best features.
2. Safari styles are big right now: shirt dresses & cropped khaki jackets in feminized shapes should look great on all body types.
3. Ethnic prints – scarves, dresses & skirts with global and tribal accents are fun to wear.
4. Floral prints on pretty skirts & sweaters are in. Keep the length at or above the knee to avoid the “frump-factor”.
5. Bermuda shorts (to the knee) that taper around the leg are available in many flattering neutral tones.
6. Patent leather is still going strong in accessories – sandals, shoes, purses & belts in black or lots of bright, pretty colors. Don't overdo the matching – a little pop of color goes a long way.
7. Makeup: I like peachy or warm pink lipsticks for the season. Check out MAC's Bombshell or Bobbie Brown's Raspberry Shimmer or Tulip.

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A lovely client nominated me to the North Shore website [makeitbetter.net](http://www.makeitbetter.net) where people who make a difference in our community are spotlighted. I'm blushing a little bit, but if you want to check it out, please go to: <http://www.makeitbetter.net/treasures/#CONTENT>
I'd love your feedback!

ask suzanne



Question: “I love dresses and there are so many out there. How do I decide?”
Rebecca L. Northbrook

You can easily show off your best features in a dress, but you're right – it can be challenging to find the perfect one (or ones!). Here are some things to keep in mind:

1. The fit should flatter you. Make sure the fabric skims over challenging areas. Often, simpler styles such as A-line, shirt or sheath work best, as do darker colors.
2. How dressy is the event? Determine the formality and decide the length (note: mid-calf is generally the dowdiest).
3. For summer legs, self tanner (Aveeno makes a good one) or sheer nude hose work well. Fishnets are OK too, depending on the dress.
4. One focal point, either a great piece of jewelry OR an elaborate dress is a classy and clean way to go.
5. Use shrugs, short cardigans or shawls to keep you warm and covered.
6. Trouble spots:
 - For a full bust, avoid fabrics that are too stiff. V-necks are usually the most flattering
 - If you're bottom heavy, look for sewn down pleats or A-line skirts that skim the lower half of the body
 - Disguise a thicker waist by raising the waistline and stick with a straighter, A-line skirt.

I'm happy to answer any questions for you. Please email me at suz1960@sbcglobal.net or call me at **847-721-0607** if I can be of service in any way.

Wrap up my services! My clients have generously been giving my time as a Mother's Day or birthday present. Why not make a gift to yourself to have an updated wardrobe or closet? Also, your referrals have been wonderful, and I'd like to pay you back. For every three referrals you send my way, I'll be happy to help you with **ONE FREE HOUR** of my services.