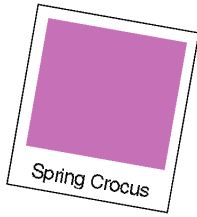


Spring is in the Air

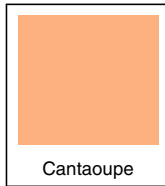
Fashionable Color



Spring Crocus



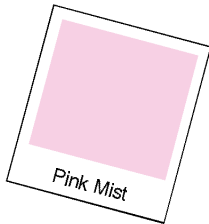
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The particularly, dark, cold winter of 2008 has nearly disappeared for most Americans. In its place, spring is ready to burst forth in a glorious bouquet of color. Already, sleeping bulbs have awakened underground and are sending their tender shoots up through the earth. Trees, once drab and brown, are beginning their transition back to life. Signs are everywhere that brilliant, joyful spring is on its way.

It's no surprise, therefore, that the Fashion World has embraced natural, light yet lively colors for Spring 2008. Here's a list of some of the latest "in" colors from the PANTONE® fashion color report.

Spring Crocus – pretty purple with a touch of deep orchid

Freesia – uplifting and sunny gold that complements any accessory

Cantaloupe – warm and sweet orange; great paired with earthy browns

Snorkel Blue – Caribbean cobalt sea water – a favorite among designers

Pink Mist – subtle pink with blue undertones

Daiquiri Green – bright, cheerful, yellow-green of the first buds of Spring

Golden Olive – natural golden ochre that works well with all of the 2008 spring colors.

How can you integrate these colors to your own business and casual wardrobes? Do take your direction from a master fashion designer like Valentino. Don't throw everything you own away. Add the new colors gradually to your existing wardrobe. In his ready to wear show, Valentino chose all the new sugary pink, lavender, fuchsia, lemony yellow, and turquoise colors but kept his signature red. In your case, keep your favorite, little black dress but accessorize it with a Snorkel Blue silk scarf and a Spring Crocus tinted, lightweight jacket. You'll be right in style.

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