



## STYLE COUNSEL

**Chantelle  
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brings you all the latest fashion news from in and around the county

## >> TOP TREND for... March

SUSTAINABLE fashion is bang on trend – not only does it chime perfectly with the current financial crisis, but it means you can dispense with guilty shopping habits and still be cool.

Simply follow these tips:

- Don't buy lots of cheap stuff: only buy things that you really think will last – cost per wear is so important.
- Look out for sustainable designers: Eloise Grey, based in Elstead, is pioneering the way with her beautiful coats, jackets and skirt suits made from organic tweeds.
- Attend a part-time sewing course and learn how to customise your clothes, simply by taking up hems or cinching in the waistline – it's cheap and chic. Ask your local Adult Learning Centre for details.

## >> This month DON'T MISS...

Our fab Mother's Day competition!

### How to enter:

Tell us why your mum is special to you in one sentence by e-mailing us at [editor@surreylife.co.uk](mailto:editor@surreylife.co.uk) (before the end of March) and she'll be in with the chance of winning a fabulous fashion and beauty indulgence package worth approximately £200!

### The prize:

- A £100 gift voucher from the Catwalk boutique in Godalming, which stocks designer brands such as Dee Day, Oui Set and Nougat – to name but a few.
- A wash, cut and finish with a creative designer (worth £44) at Scully Scully's newly-opened ground floor 'cutting room' in Godalming. Scully Scully, owned by Paul Scully, is a world-renowned hair colourist and a finalist at the British Hairdressing Awards 2008 as hair colourist of the year (the winning entry is pictured above).
- This luxurious pampering package will be completed by Amy from Beauty at Scully Scully with a Dermalogica one-hour face treatment (worth £45) – pure indulgence!

### DATE FOR THE DIARY:

Be the first to preview the new spring collections at Catwalk in Godalming on Thursday March 12 from 10am to 9pm. To celebrate the start of the new season, there will also be a 15 per cent discount on all purchases!



## >> Hidden Gems: Searching out Surrey's best boutiques ...

IT SEEMS that ethical fashion is everywhere this month with green fast becoming the new black!

Over in Farnham, Purity is a women's organic and Fairtrade boutique packed full with gorgeous items. Owner Paula Beaumont believes that beautiful clothing shouldn't cost the earth and is dedicated to sourcing every item she sells from sustainable sources. Her new spring ranges include pieces by People Tree, Komodo, Seasalt and Kuyichi, which are all gorgeous wearable brands.

In support of sustainable fashion, Paula has organised a Clothes Swapping Event, along with ethical coat designer Eloise Grey and myself, at Purity (20 Downing Street, Farnham) on Thursday March 5 from 5.30pm to 8pm. Simply bring along two to five nearly new items that you don't want or don't fit and swap them for items that you do like!

The entry fee is £5 (a percentage of the proceeds will be donated to the Liberty Foundation charity in Farnham). Spaces are limited, so to register your place, or for more details, call Paula on 01252 820055.



People Tree top, £25, and linen trousers, £75, available at Purity

## GET IN TOUCH

If you have a fashion dilemma that you'd like Chantelle to help you with, send her an e-mail at [chantelle@topstylista.com](mailto:chantelle@topstylista.com)