



## STYLE COUNSEL

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

**T**HE MONTH of love and romance is upon us so what better excuse do you need to glam up and create a sexy, sultry look for that romantic night in or out?! Whether you've planned the ultimate romantic surprise or you're being whisked away somewhere blissful, it's all about the lingerie, so see my top tips below and loads more great ideas over the page.

## >> This month DON'T MISS... Chantelle's top 5 tips to perfect lingerie!

- Tip 1.** Black lingerie is sexy but I think shades of soft beige, white, muted pinks, or violets can provide the ultimate soft romantic look
- Tip 2.** If you have a large bust, look for bras that have generous neck openings, thick enough straps for support and a push-up mechanism
- Tip 3.** Most importantly, choose the right bra size. Don't buy anything too big or too small – if it's too big, you really won't look sexy and if it's too small, you will bulge in all the wrong places
- Tip 4.** Always close the bra using the middle hook and look for a band that fits snugly so that it doesn't cut into your rib cage as this will ensure longevity
- Tip 5.** Believe it or not, you should change your bras every six months because the elastic wears and this won't do you any good in terms of support

## >> TOP TREND for... February

WITH thoughts turning to holidays, this month we've tracked down a fantastic swimming costume that will flatter any shape. The 'Freya' swimsuit by Darling Harbour comes in a cool cappuccino colour combined with white fun polka dots. It's also available in a sweetheart padded bikini top up to a G cup and a halter triangle bikini top up to an F cup. Whichever option you go for, you are sure to feel like the belle of the beach!

- Available at House of Fraser, Epsom & Guildford; Top Drawer, Guildford; Bentalls, Kingston; John Lewis, Kingston; and D'Braz, Banstead



The 'Freya' swimsuit, priced around £48, by Darling Harbour

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

BEHIND the designer shopfront of the lovely Liberty's boutique in Farnham is a fantastic charity called the Liberty Foundation.

Founded in 2004 by Marcelle Delahaye, she set up the organisation after spending time in Belize and realising that there was a need to provide a quality residential childcare facility.

In 2005, Marcelle, along with sister Gemma, opened the Liberty Children's Home, which now provides full-time care for up to 40 children, many whom have HIV/AIDS among other disabilities.

The following year, they expanded this project to include the Liberty Learning Centre, a pre-school

for the local community educating more than 60 children.

In need of finding an extra source of income for the charity, the Liberty's boutique opened its doors in July 2008 with a fabulous offering of designer brands such as Chanel, Prada, Chloé, Twenty8Twelve and a vintage range of 1920s to 1980s items including designers such as Mary Quant.

If you'd like to support the wonderful work of Marcelle and Gemma, visit the Liberty's boutique at 19 East Street, Farnham GU9 7SD.

Alternatively, to find out more about them, pay a visit to their website at [shop@libertyfoundation.org.uk](mailto:shop@libertyfoundation.org.uk).



Marcelle (left) and her sister Gemma opened their successful boutique in July of last year