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Fine art of jewellery that rocks

WE love to wear jewellery as an important accessory. It moves, mingles, and bedazzles the dimness out of our system. It can easily hike up your glam quotient. Jewellery is a real charm; it can be divine or even cute. But it comes down to who is wearing it and how it is being worn. The styling is therefore vital to do justice to any kind of jewellery, simplest to the most elaborate. The right attitude and the kind of impression as to how you want to

be perceived will provide direction to you for your jewellery. This Eid wear yours with élan.

Pearls

This particular piece of element is derived from nature in its natural or cultured form. Pearls such as the South Sea variety is associated with precious fine jewellery fit for royalty or for those who can fish out the bucks. They are considered rare and prized even today. China produces very reasonably priced cultured

pearls. These pearls are mass produced. They are given many shapes and forms. They can also go from the smallest to fairly large sizes. Pearls come in white, grey, pink, even in certain shades of blue and green. It can be strung or set. They are probably the most versatile piece of jewellery one can own. If you want to dawn a classy look this festive season you could think about pearl. A single strand or three tiered neck piece, small drop earrings or a long chandelier all could be simply suave.

Wooden

Jewellery accessories made with wooden elements is ultra trendy yet wearable in designs. Wooden beads are available in all kinds of shapes and sizes. Natural wooden beads come in light or dark browns. But they are also available in glazed colours. Wooden natural rudhrakho seeds strung into neckpieces are retro and eternal and go really well with desi styling. Large wooden pendants strung on leather straps are contemporary in style. Earrings large or small are equally fun. Wooden bangles in large bold designs, round, oval, square in wide widths are stunning. Leather or cotton threads as wrappings or knots work well with wood. Think about wood this Eid as an amazing jewellery option as it is casual yet perpetual, never going out of style.

Terracotta

Terracotta as a material for fashion jewellery is fairly a new phenomenon but it has reached almost a cult status in Bangladesh. Although as a material for decoration and an applicable design idea, terracotta is regarded as one of the oldest Bengali heritage. Very tactile it can be made into the simplest to most detailed design piece. Terracotta connects you to Mother Earth, and that by itself is a great feeling. It looks best in its natural colour and can be combined with glass beads to enhance its character. Terracotta beads are traditionally strung together and looks best tossed around the neck. Terracotta could be your style this season. It is chic yet will make you seem like a carefree bohemian.

Silver Jewellery

You could get many options with silver jewellery. Small pendants, pendants threaded with cotton, bigger pieces hanging on twisted cotton ropes, neck pieces on silver rings the variations are endless. Small silver pieces put together with attachment sits well on your neck. Even a small single piece sitting on a fine silver chain is subtle yet elegant. Earrings are suitable with them but need not be a perfect match. Since silver is reasonable and within your means it is a good investment and I would suggest you to go further with it. Traditional pieces come in a wide range of designs: "hasholi", hand hammered decorative pieces that are dimensional and shaped around the neck; "bichaa", hand hammered flat an ornamental chain; "moff" chain, a very long chain patterned with design elements which can be twisted in place around the neck two three or even four times; "chokers," which sit tightly on the neck. These retro influences are chic and do not go out of style.

You could take it to the next level. Craftsmanship is important for such vibrant bold pieces. Silver infused with old mine stones is a celebration of colour form and movement. Stones such as semi precious gemstones used with silver beads bring old world glamour in modern styles. Outlook and attitude powered with the shimmering stones can be especially fashioned with metalwork. Stones are again clear or opaque, cut or uncut. Those that are cut are shaped into oval, round, square, flat, cylindrical or in a diamond shape. The latest trend is having multiple stones on a cocktail ring. Unique and sometimes one of a kind these are ultra modish. As for the massive danglers, get one this Eid, with stones studded or a kundan set in silver. Long earrings are in fashion. It can be funky or classic both. Your choice will depend on your personal styling. This Eid use a brooch to hold your dupatta or achal in place. Brooches will make a statement with panache.

Conversational

These are jewellery that speaks out to you. The shapes represents flowers like daisies, sunflowers or roses. These also come in the shape of fruits like cherries, apples or grapes. Animal shaped pendants are also very popular. Butterflies, birds, lizards and even ladybugs are great shapes to flaunt. The pieces are studded and embellished with stones and design ornamentation. These conversational jewellery are extremely sought after and all the rage. They look great as bracelets and sit well on rings. I would suggest that you wear a single overstated piece of jewellery with your Eid ensemble.

HOROSCOPE

**ARIES**

(Mar. 21-April 19)

Don't let someone you work with put words in your mouth. Relatives will be cordial. You will attract potential lovers, but be sure that they're unattached. You may be out of sorts if you have been extravagant or have let children or friends take advantage of you financially. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

**TAURUS**

(Apr. 20-may 20)

Take time to do some writing, whether it's correspondence, poetry, or keeping a journal. You can bet that someone in a higher position is watching to see how busy you are. You may find yourself a bit frazzled if you allow someone to goad you into an unsavoury debate. Trips will be exciting. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.

**GEMINI**

(May 21-June 21)

Be careful not to misplace your wallet or belongings. Make creative changes to your living quarters. If you join intellectual or cultural groups, you should meet individuals who stimulate you. Money can be made if you are willing to take a chance. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.

**CANCER**

(June 22-July 22)

You will have some problems with children, but if you are patient you will win their favour. You can't help everyone. Don't let others bait you into arguments. Look at your options before making commitments that could jeopardize your financial position. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

**LEO**

(July 23-Aug. 22)

Do not let the reactions of others get you going. You may become rundown if you take on too much. You may want to put everyone to work on a project that will keep them all too busy to complain. Someone left a real mess for you to sift through. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

**VIRGO**

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

The locks, stove, gas, or electric wires may not be secure. Don't let your personal problems interfere with your professional responsibilities. Changes regarding your image will bring you greater confidence. Don't let your personal dilemmas interfere with your goals. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

**LIBRA**

(Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Short trips may be tiring but rewarding. Sign up for seminars that will expand your business awareness. Erratic behaviour at home may be hard to handle. Change will be required to make your life more harmonious. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.

**SCORPIO**

(Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Your sensitivity toward those you love will capture their hearts. Avoid getting trapped in internal disputes. Travel opportunities must be taken advantage of. Take time to talk things over. Travel for business or pleasure. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

**SAGITTARIUS**

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

It's a great day to attend social functions. Your versatile mind and common sense will allow you to come up with various solutions. Look into ways to make your home more comfortable. You can make money through your creative efforts. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.

**CAPRICORN**

(Dec. 22-Jan. 20)

Think of starting a new business or emotional partnership. Uncertainties regarding your home and family are evident. You will be in the mood to socialize. Pamper yourself for a change. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.

**AQUARIUS**

(Jan. 21-Feb. 19)

For now just do the best you can. You may be overly emotional when dealing with your mate. Take time to deal with legal documents and the affairs of people who you may be indebted to. Mingle with individuals who are established and can give you some serious insight into business and future trends. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.

**PISCES**

(Feb. 20-March. 20)

You could have a change of heart if an old flame waltzes back into your life. Joint ventures might prove to be unfavourable. Your best efforts will come through investments concerning your home. Temps will mount if you're too pushy at work or at home. Your lucky day this week will be Monday.

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