

Smart casuals for winter

Dress the part this winter with smart winter casuals. For this winter, we at Star Lifestyle want to make sure that you have all the basics covered in your wardrobe. For winter casuals, the basics are jeans, leggings, cardigans and layering tees. Be sure to buy within your budget and definitely go for well-made garments that you can regularly count on. You can do full outfits like a cosy chambray shirt layered with a long warm cardigan, wrapped around a scarf with leather boots over a simple pair of leggings. Sweaters are also a perfect and cute casual winter outfit especially for the cold waves. You can add a pop of colour with a pink scarf and earrings which will definitely give you that stylish look. Other outfits that are sure to stand out could be a dark puffer vest with light coloured boots styled with a light grey top to keep you warm.

For those of you who want to make your

even the cosy neck wrap!

Hoodies: If you are talking about winter fashion and styles, hoodies will most certainly make the cut as a staple. Things to consider when shopping for a hoodie are the materials, style, size and budget. Another thing that you need to decide for yourself is whether you want a pullover hoodie or a zip up. The latter is easier to wear as the zip is running down the front. Most people however, have strong preferences for the kind of hoodie they like so choose what you prefer. If you aren't a big fan of one coloured hoodies you can try out some funnier ones that have things written on them. 'A haters gonna hate' hoodie or a 'I love football' hoodie or even a hoodie of Kevin Spacey sheepishly smiling at you will definitely help you stand out.

Ponchos: Poncho is another style that you should definitely consider. You can go with



own outfits, here is a countdown of the things you should look out for this winter.

Scarves and Mufflers: Believe it or not, scarves and mufflers hold a certain super power. They can help you pull off an outfit in a few seconds flat. If you are already a scarf enthusiast, remember that there is always room for one more. These can go a long way to making a very basic outfit look really tasteful and polished. They can also help you add a pop of colour to an otherwise neutral outfit. The more colourful the scarves, the more adventurous and exciting you can make your outfits. You can get yourself some multi coloured striped mufflers and put them together with a light coloured sweater. Once you've gotten yourself a new scarf, for winter you can try out some styles such as the French knot, the double-sided twist, the classic loop or

the classic poncho with a high neck and heavy fringe or you can go for the more modern poncho which has more of a cape feel. From luxurious colours to graphic designs, the poncho was certainly a popular choice in 2015 and is set to retain its position this year. You can also get blanket like pieces that are full of rich fabrics and colours. You can easily style your ponchos by modernising the rest of your outfit. You can do this using plain neutrals or pastels. Remember that ponchos are easy and fun to wear both formally and casually.

Boots: Believe it or not, there are plenty of cheap boot options all around the city. You should definitely invest in some stylish flat boots that are knee-high. One pair of boots will definitely serve you really well for many winter seasons to come. Amongst the boots available are high-heel boots, chunky-heel

boots, low-heel boots, wedge boots and finally the faux-fur boots!

Beanies: Yes beanies! Beanies are fun to say and even more fun to wear. Some possible options could be knitted, bobble and slouch beanies. You can get them in a wide range of colours with complimenting designs. A burgundy patch beanie, a camel beanie or a pointed ribbed beanie in a mustard colour will light up your face and give you a lot of game this winter.

So go out this winter and get yourself some winter loot!

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