

Parisian Chic A Style Guide By Ines De La Fressange

In this extensively updated and augmented new edition of the New York Times best-selling Parisian Chic, Ines de la Fressange, the iconic Parisienne, and Sophie Gachet, Paris's fashion authority, share their personal style and beauty tips—gleaned from decades in the fashion industry—with humor and verve. This ultrachic volume with ribbon page marker includes new photography featuring Ines in her signature looks, easy-to-recreate advice, and extensive addresses—in Paris and online—to source all you need for chic Parisian fashion, beauty, and interiors. From killer outfits to Parisian wardrobe essentials, or from Ines's 10-minute beauty routine to her countdown to a perfect Parisian dinner party, this elegant volume is replete with inspiration à la Parisienne and is a must-have for any woman who wants to infuse her own style with the essence of Parisian chic.

A fresh look at the concept of elegance and Parisian style, personified by the iconic fashion of Roger Vivier. For decades, Roger Vivier has created visionary shoes and bags that, over time, have become icons of fashion. This book tells the story of this achievement and offers a fresh take on the designer's legendary accessories, as seen through the eyes of young enterprising fashion bloggers and tastemakers including Charlotte Groeneveld (The Fashion Guitar website), Chriselle Lim (The Chriselle Factor website), Eleonora Carisi (Joujou Villeroy website), and Tamu McPherson (All the Pretty Birds website). For the first time, objects of this legendary luxury brand will be interpreted directly by those who wear them, people who live their lives "inside" the Vivier brand.

A top fashion journalist reveals the secrets of French style and shows how American women can make French chic, allure, and confidence a part of their own style.

The perfect book for anyone who has ever dreamed of living in Paris Profiles of twenty real-life women of Paris - artists, activists, booksellers, and filmmakers, aged fourteen to seventy, living in tiny attic studios, grand apartments, or houseboats - are accompanied by more than 100 full-colour photographs by French it-girl and fashion designer Jeanne Damas, as well as tips on secret Parisian hideaways and the French art de vivre: from the five types of red wine to order depending on the occasion, and the coolest bars to drink them in, to the best red lipsticks, and places to be kissed. In Paris dispels the myth that there is only one type of Parisian woman, and offers a rare glimpse of the city that real Parisiennes live in - taking us into their homes, their careers, their style - and what being Parisian means to them. Witty, elegant, and modern, In Paris reveals the secret to living like a Parisian, wherever and whoever you are. 'A love letter to Paris . . . sprinkled with quirky, authoritative guidelines on Paris living' Wall Street Journal 'I loved it - so French and so cool' Alexandra Fullerton, author of How to Dress and Fashion Director-at-large at Glamour 'Shining a spotlight on the lives and style of twenty true Parisians, this elegant coffee-table book - encompassing 100 rich and vibrant photographs - is an inclusive look at style. spanning a diverse pool of women' Because Magazine

How To Be Parisian brilliantly deconstructs the French woman's views on culture, fashion and attitude. Bohemian free-thinkers and iconoclasts, Anne Berest, Caroline De Maigret, Audrey Diwan and Sophie Mas cut through the myths in this gorgeous, witty guide to Parisienne savoir faire. These modern Parisiennes say what you don't expect to hear, just the way you want to hear it. They are not against smoking in bed, and all for art, politics and culture, making everything look easy, and going against the grain. They will take you on a first date, to a party and through a hangover. They will tell you how to be mysterious and sensual, make your boyfriend jealous, the right way to approach weddings and the gym, and they will share their address book in Paris for where to go at the end of the night, for a birthday, for a smart date, for vintage finds and much more. Full of wit and self-deprecating humour, How To Be Parisian explains those confusing subjects of clothes, makeup, men, culture and lifestyle as only a true Parisienne can.

Parisian Chic It is a Lovely Collection of French Fashion and Style Guide Coloring Book Waiting For Your Design Using Imagination and Colors . Perfect for all girls any age who love fashion and live in a world of clothes. Recommend as a gift for anyone who love fashion world. Print on white large paper 8.5 x 11 inches

Take a life-changing journey with a fashion insider through the neighborhoods of Paris—and become the most glamorous girl in town (without even trying). After spending much of her life mining the secrets of La Parisienne, Angie has discovered there are as many ways to be Parisian as there are arrondissements. Find out what Saint Germain women wear, where Canal Saint Martin girls shop and hang out with their friends, the décor tricks of the artistic ladies in Montmartre, and how to cook and entertain—as if you just rolled out of bed and onto the cobblestone streets of Le Marais... Featuring hundreds of stunning photographs and original fashion illustrations, as well as fabulous tips from celebrities, fashion designers, bloggers, chefs, and more!

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'Even if you don't find yourself booking a one-way Eurostar ticket to the capital like Marissa, this book might just be the key to finally nailing that elusive Parisian je ne sais quoi.' Penny Goldstone, Fashion Editor, Marie Claire 'A delightful, down-to-earth guide . . . complete with insider fashion tips, beauty tricks and dating advice from Marissa's own personal experience, plus interviews with many modern iterations of the ever-elusive Parisienne herself.' Monica de La Villardière, journalist and co-founder of the Fashion No Filter podcast To be Parisian is to have a certain attitude and outlook on life. In Practising Parisienne, British journalist and blogger Marissa Cox decodes this seemingly nebulous je ne sais quoi, explaining what she has learned since moving to France eight years ago, and how and why the reader can and should adopt a more Parisian lifestyle. She reveals how she learnt to live her best life in this iconic city, what it means to be Parisian and in turn inspire you to make positive changes in your own lives, however big or small. Covering everything from style, fashion, beauty and wellbeing to chic interiors and food and wine, as well as advice about dating and friendship, each section also contains interviews with well-known Parisians and Francophiles who inspire us to live better. Because, as we know, Paris is ALWAYS a good idea. 'Practising Parisienne is a celebration of the City of Lights and an ode to the pleasures in life. Marissa Cox effortlessly mixes practical tips, personal stories and inspiring conversations in this charming guide to living well the Parisian way.' Miranda York, author of At the Table and The Food Almanac 'With appreciation, honesty, a deep understanding and access to leading figures, Practising Parisienne reads like a who's who and what's what when it comes to everything Parisian.' Hannah Almassi, Editor in Chief, Who What Wear UK DIVA transnational study of female beauty based in an ethnographic study of beauty salons in Cairo, Casablanca, and Paris./div Bring a Parisian je ne sais quoi to your style, wherever you live. Dress Like a Parisian is a wise and witty guide to finding your personal style, taking inspiration from how real Parisian women dress. With personal stylist and fashion blogger Aloïs Guinut as your guide, you can explore which colours, shapes and styles work best for you, whatever the occasion. Aloïs reveals Parisian style secrets, rejects restrictive fashion rules and shares her favourite shops and brands, demonstrating how you can use fashion to enhance your personality rather than shaping your personality to fashion. In the words of the patron saint of Parisian women,

Yves St. Laurent, 'fashions fade, style is eternal.' This book is illustrated with photography shot on the streets of Paris plus illustrations by acclaimed fashion illustrator, Judith van den Hoek, who has worked with Elle, Hermes, Vogue, Prada and Grazia. Inspired by Paris, this lighthearted and deceptively wise contemporary memoir serves as a guidebook for women on the path to adulthood, sophistication, and style. Jennifer Scott's self-published success is now a beautifully packaged and fully illustrated gift book, perfect for any woman looking to lead a more fulfilling, passionate, and artful life. Paris may be the City of Light, but for many it is also the City of Transformation. When Jennifer Scott arrived in Paris as an exchange student from California, she had little idea she would become an avid fan of French fashion, lifestyle, and sophistication. Used to a casual life back home, in Paris she was hosted by a woman she calls "Madame Chic," mistress of a grand apartment in the Sixteenth Arrondissement. Madame Chic mentors Jennifer in the art of living, with elegance and an impeccably French less-is-more philosophy. Three-course meals prepared by the well-dressed Madame Chic (her neat clothes covered by an apron, of course) lure Jennifer from her usual habit of frequent snacks, junk food, sweatpants, and TV. Additional time spent with "Madame Bohemienne," a charming single mother who passionately embraces Parisian joie de vivre, introduces readers to another facet of behind-closed-doors Parisian life. While Francophiles will appreciate this memoir of a young woman's adventure abroad, others who may not know much about France will thrill to the surprisingly do-able (yet chic!) hair and makeup lessons, plus tips on how to create a capsule wardrobe with just ten useful core pieces. Each chapter of Lessons from Madame Chic reveals the valuable secrets Jennifer learned while under Madame Chic's tutelage—tips you can master no matter where you live or the size of your budget. Embracing the classically French aesthetic of quality over quantity, aspiring Parisiennes will learn the art of eating (deprive yourself not; snacking is not chic), fashion (buy the best you can afford), grooming (le no-makeup look), among other tips. From entertaining to decor, you will gain insights on how to cultivate old-fashioned sophistication while living an active, modern life. Lessons from Madame Chic is the essential handbook for a woman that wants to look good, live well, and enjoy that Parisian je ne sais quoi in her own arrondissement.

A practical guide to achieving classic Parisian chic--young and hip or timeless and elegant. 100 illustrations.

"Bérénice Baudry was born in Argentina and raised in France. She was a fellow of the École Normale Supérieure where she studied French and Spanish literature, and received her doctorate from the University of Paris-Sorbonne. After living four years in Spain, she currently resides More...in New York and teaches at Columbia University.

Ines de la Fressange shares fifty-two new secrets in this elegant and humorous weekly planner that is the chicest way to organize your schedule in style. Following up on the success of their New York Times best seller Parisian Chic: A Style Guide by Ines de la Fressange, the same author duo has teamed up to write a year's worth of weekly fashion tips in this new daily planner. Ines de la Fressange shares fresh style and beauty tips, as well as her light-hearted guidelines for enjoying life to the fullest. From January through December, she offers specific pointers on how to dress like a Parisian—including everything from how to add pizzazz to a simple jeans-and-t-shirt uniform to what to wear on New Year's Eve—and no-nonsense do's and don'ts that will have you smiling and looking your best throughout the year. This weekly planner is an elegant accessory in itself, featuring a deep red faux leather cover with gold foil stamp, rounded edges, a ribbon page marker for easy place holding, creamy offset aquarelle paper, four-color printing, charming drawings by Ines, and an address book. This is the must-have engagement calendar for any woman who wants to add a touch of Paris to her handbag and to stay on top of her oh-so-chic lifestyle.

Providing a sensible, objective, consumer's guide to travel, these easy-to-use travel handbooks provide useful evaluations of local hotels, attractions, and restaurants in all price ranges, honest advice on local attractions that are worth the time and money, detailed maps, tips on special events and festivals, and extensive information on local shopping, sports, nightlife, and other activities.

As a native Parisian, I was fortunate enough to grow up witnessing how my mother had created a life of joy and beauty for us. This book is a tribute to her great taste, impeccable style, and incredible values. By practicing the ideas presented in this book, you can also elevate the ordinary to the exquisite. For a limited time, you can buy the book at this special price. Read on your PC, Mac, smartphone, tablet or Kindle device. There are six chapters in this book, meant to be read over a period of six weeks. Each chapter ends with exercises for that week. Make sure that you do the exercises because that's what will really help you create the life you desire so much. As French Chic Living is a way of life, you want to create lasting changes that truly transform you and your world. It's best to go slow but steady. I must say that I was fortunate enough to grow up witnessing how my mother or 'Maman' (as I called her) managed our household of four. There were so many things that I took for granted at that time. It was only when I had a family of my own that I realized how efficiently and seemingly effortlessly Maman had created a life of joy and beauty for us. In this book, I have tried to include all the invaluable tips that you can incorporate into your own life to experience more pleasure and joy. Rest assured that all the information comes from my own experiences as a girl observing how her Maman did things and as a French woman living in Paris with a family of her own. Needless to say, all the information that I have outlined in this book are things that I myself practice on a regular basis. Here Is A Preview Of What You'll Learn... Basics of French Chic Living Cultivate Pleasure and Beauty in Everyday Life No off Days for Beauty and Style How to Take Care of Your Hair and Skin the French Way Eat for Pleasure Stay Slim for Life Love Yourself Much, much more! Download your copy today!

Dedicated to all women who recognize Frenchwomen as genuine style models, this book is an appealing, pocket-size guide to French style and glamour, with 100 practical and concrete tips and delightful photos and sketches. Seven years after the success of the style guide Parisian Chic by Inès de la Fressange, Sophie the Parisian offers a fresher, wider, and more varied guide to French style. The Parisian woman is considered a female role model by definition: classical in taste, but independent and dynamic; elegant and sophisticated at times, feminine and seductive, but not vulgar; attentive to what she wears and taking care of her body, but without excessive vanity; and who has sophisticated and original but simple taste. Food lover and partygoer, she focuses on the quality of food rather than on her shape. Fond of natural beauty, and without plastic surgery, she doesn't try to hide the signs of aging, which she wears with pride. Sophie the Parisian doesn't take herself too seriously and uses a well-balanced mix of charm, great taste, and irony--three typical traits of the modern Frenchwoman--to cover topics ranging from fashion to the well-being of the body, from looks to health, from cooking to decoration: everything that makes the French joie de vivre a role-model lifestyle worldwide.

Fashioning your signature style without losing your shirt has never been easier: just take your cue from the iconic looks of 120 celebrities. IN FOUR CHAPTERS YOU'LL FIND: - VIP style hacks to steal - clever tips and tricks for unforgettable looks - wardrobe essentials and how to spice them up - so-called "fashion faux pas" that you should dare to commit This highly illustrated book (354 photos)— a stylish accessory in its own right—reads like a mood board and has fresh inspiration for every occasion.

How can you have a rich and fulfilling life? The choices you make, not your income or financial assets, are the most powerful determining factor for your quality of life. Women have never had so many options. Yet we often experience a kind of paralysis, an unconscious willingness to follow societal dictates rather than become the CEOs of our own lives. When we mindlessly follow the dots, we smother our

innate gifts and miss opportunities to fulfill our true potential. There is another way—choosing to live a simply luxurious life. This book will show you how to invest your time and what to eliminate from your life. It will enable you to: * Design a life of purpose that is aligned with your passions and talents * Become financially independent * Enjoy cultivating a healthy mind and body * Build and maintain strong, loving relationships * Create a chic, timeless signature style * Design a comfortable home that is a true sanctuary * Travel in comfort and style * Discover simple pleasures that make each day something to look forward to You can curate the life of your dreams by being purposeful and selective, no matter where you live, your income, or your relationship status. Luxury and true fulfillment are ours for the having if we know where to look and how to make the right choices.

The glamour and excitement of the Parisian fashion scene explodes onto the page in these bold portraits and drawings of Paris by rising star and couture insider Marc-Antoine Coulon. With an unwavering hand and a riot of color, Marc-Antoine Coulon captures Paris fashion on and off the runway. His pared-down, ultra-glamorous sketches—portraits of designers, screen stars, and his favorite Parisian haunts from day to night—are rendered here with incisive and unique artistry. Coulon's watercolors, collages, and sketches, paired with handwritten observations and pithy quotations, transcend the page. The artist's distinctive style—inspired by the great masters René Gruau and Erté—is both timeless and iconic, with a decidedly contemporary edge that is at once elegant, sexy, vibrant, and witty. Fashion icon Ines de la Fressange acknowledges his artistic courage: with a bold, saturated background, a confident brushstroke, or the force of negative space, his drawings sublimate his subjects—whether a dress, a monument, or a celebrity. As fashion illustration enjoys a renaissance in magazines and couture campaigns, Coulon's drawings have been commissioned by everyone from Vogue to Dior to private collectors. They offer readers a joyful and breathless tour of everything fashionable in Paris.

A brand-new book of fashion secrets by New York Times best-selling author, model, and Parisienne extraordinaire, Ines de la Fressange. Ines de la Fressange's personal style is chic yet relaxed in every situation. While a navy-and-white-striped nautical top with slim, cropped jeans and flats is a classic French look, it's harder to pinpoint how Parisians unfailingly blend elegance and allure with such ease. In this sequel to her best seller Parisian Chic, the world's favorite style icon demonstrates how to achieve her quintessentially Parisian look throughout the year. Her style secrets start with the building blocks of wardrobe staples—an LBD that can be dressed up or down, timeless riding boots you'll wear for a lifetime, or the perfect pair of jeans—which she combines with panache to suit every situation, adding seasonal items like costume bangles, a top in this season's on-trend color, or the right shade of lip color.

Drawing on 20 years of ethnographic fieldwork and anthropological theory, anthropologist Brian Moeran argues that fashion magazines are able to cast a spell over their readers by using practices and rituals found in age-old magical and religious rites.

"Features five design-focused metropolises . . . and funky spaces that reflect the sensibilities of life there . . . It has visual inspiration galore."

—Refinery29 Explore the world's most stylish and eclectic residences in this inspired armchair décor guide. Home Style by City captures the essence of five design-forward cities, featuring gorgeously decorated homes from each that reflect local style and inspire internationally. Part city tour—including must-visit flea markets, bits of colorful history, and curated lists of music, books, and films—and part design resource for achieving the various looks, this refreshing perspective on décor shows how cities themselves impact interiors. Illuminating text invites readers into page after page of lavishly photographed interiors, offering deceptively simple transitions and insider tips to bring the look into any space. Visually rich and totally inspiring, Home Style by City is a treasure for lovers of design, travel, and, of course, big city dreams.

"From character and cultural heritage, each section offers up tips for decorating in this eclectic-bohemian style from where to shop (flea markets) while in these cities to 'get the look' ideas and DIYs to create your own favorite city-inspired look." —Poppytalk "Ida's book is loaded with wonderful images of her friends' stylish homes who are collectors of vintage finds. She also lists favorite flea markets, best movies to watch, books to read, and music to listen to." —A Well Lived House

How should I dress for a dinner at home with friends ? And for a first date ? This look book provides personal tips from Ines de la Fressange, the quintessential Parisienne, for concocting a stylish look for every situation, with nothing but her wardrobe essentials. Never again will you say "I have nothing to wear".

Are the French masters at self-promotion, or is there really something behind all that bravado ? From fashion to food to the art of seduction — why do we all want their je ne sais quoi ? And, sacrebleu, how do we get it ? With tongue-in-cheek humor, this savvy guide takes us on a tour de France rich in history, anecdotes, and crème-de-la-crème addresses. The authors introduce us to seven French "tribes" and divulge their most enviable Gallic secrets, from what to take to dinner and why you should never arrive on time, to why written correspondence — from the thank you note to the sexy text — is everything. Covering wardrobe essentials and personal style advice, cult houseware products and infallible recipes, life-enhancing customs and faux pas to avoid, this indispensable guide filled with insider scoops unlocks — at last — the secrets for celebrating la vie en rose.

Shares tips for style and beauty, offers advice on how to dress like a Parisian, and includes a guide to hotels and restaurants and unusual places to visit in Paris.

Examines the shoe trends of Paris, offers insight on how pantyhose and socks can make legs look great, and provides instruction on how to properly clean and shine footwear.

"The sustainable fashion revolution has begun, and we must all be part of it." - Aloïs Guinut Stylish women everywhere are realizing the environmental damage of fast fashion and looking for new ways to dress that don't involve cramming their wardrobe with clothes that may never get worn. As Paris-based style-coach Aloïs Guinut explores in this invaluable book, French women have a lot to teach us about how to cherish the planet without sacrificing your style: - Know what works for you. - Buy less and buy better. - Mix vintage items with a few wisely chosen modern pieces. - Optimize your closet. - Look after what you have and make it last. - Seek out quality fabrics that don't poison the environment.

At last, model and designer Ines de la Fressange offers an essential guide of sartorial advice for men, curated from the most stylish guys in her entourage. From fashion, grooming, and impeccable manners to the best addresses and sartorial tips and tricks, Ines de la Fressange and Sophie Gachet reveal the secrets of truly stylish men with both humor and savoir faire. While Parisian style for women has been dissected from all angles, this is the first volume from the best-selling authors of Parisian Chic to offer a complete and practical guide to style for all men. With advice on accessories, tailoring, and what to wear in every situation—from casual attire to black-tie events—and complete with an appendix of fashion don'ts, this must-have field guide is essential reading to show every man how to navigate the runway of life with style and panache.

Alain Elkann has mastered the art of the interview. With a background in novels and journalism, and having published over twenty books translated across ten languages, he infuses his interviews with innovation, allowing them to flow freely and organically. Alain Elkann Interviews will provide an unprecedented window into the minds of some of the most well-known and -respected figures of the last twenty-five years.

An inspirational fashion book for the everyday woman Fans of the style lessons of The Curated Closet and Lessons from Madame Chic and the can-do motivation of Girl, Wash Your Face by Rachel Hollis, will love Life Styling. For women who happen to be

mums. Whether you had a sense of style and lost it or never really took the time to think about what you like to wear, this is the book for you. Style basics and minimalism for beginners: Life Styling: Simple Steps for Mums to Find your Style & Confidence will help you pack your perfectly organized bags and take you on a journey from the very basics to the dream minimalist capsule wardrobe. It will also help you navigate the social media obsessed landscape of personal style along the way. Style, self-esteem and positive thinking in an Instagram world: Learn about the pros and cons of living in this "Insta" world and how it's affected not only the way that we dress but our expectations and how we feel about ourselves. Discover the importance of underwear and a good pair of jeans and why you should be super excited that leggings are 'back'. Life Styling will help you learn your 'colors', what styles will flatter your shape and lifestyle and how to save money by shopping smarter and making the clothes you already own work a little harder. Capture your style and own it: Wherever you are in your style evolution it's important to recognize who you are. Identifying what makes you happy when you open your closet doors is a step in the right direction. Life Styling will help you do just that. A personal style self-help book for women and mums

This pocket-sized book—with maps, expandable pocket, ribbon page marker, and elastic closure—includes Ines de la Fressange's favorite addresses for fashion and home goods with Parisian flair. Ines de la Fressange embodies the iconic Parisienne, combining elegance and chic, effortlessly. With her fashion savvy and her inspired home interiors, Ines demonstrates an eye for the details that characterize the best in Gallic style, from wardrobe accessories to home furnishings. In this exquisite new pocket volume—the perfect accompaniment to her best-selling book Parisian Chic?Ines divulges her new favorite locations for shopping, dining, and hanging out in Paris with style. To create her impeccably stylish look, Ines combines purchases from chic high-end stores like the legendary Colette along with high-quality basics at low prices from high-street chains. In this city guide, she reveals her fashion haunts for everything from leatherwear to lingerie, and from authentic Norwegian sailor tops to hip and original jewelry. For the home, she shows readers the best interiors sources in the city for sophisticated furnishings, adorable vintage items, colorful Indian print fabrics, and simple, pristine tableware, to create an eclectic and unique home. From her top spots for unearthing whimsical gifts and decorative baubles to her favorite restaurants, and from her preferred stationery supplier to the best Parisian patisseries, Ines shares more than 100 addresses in this new volume—the global resource for all things Parisienne. Fashion.

Ines de la Fressange shares fifty-two new secrets in this elegant and humorous weekly planner that is the chicest way to organize your schedule in style. The authors of the New York Times best seller, Parisian Chic: A Style Guide by Ines de la Fressange, share a new year's worth of fashion, style, and beauty advice in this daily planner. From January through December, this chic and practical illustrated engagement calendar offers de la Fressange's easy-to-steal ideas for how to be your most beautiful and elegant in every situation. She offers specific pointers on how to dress like a Parisian for every occasion. With her good-spirited insouciance, de la Fressange's no-nonsense dos and don'ts will have you smiling and looking your best throughout the year. The 2014 weekly planner is compact to slip easily into your handbag, and is an elegant accessory in itself, featuring a deep-red faux leather cover with gold foil stamp, rounded edges, a ribbon page marker for easy place holding, an elastic band closure, creamy offset watercolor paper, four-color printing, charming drawings by de la Fressange, and an address book. This is the must-have engagement book for every woman who wants to add a touch of Paris to her handbag and to stay on top of her oh-so-chic lifestyle.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Celebrity model Inès de la Fressange shares the well-kept secrets of how Parisian women maintain effortless glamour and a timeless allure. Inès de la Fressange—France's icon of chic—shares her personal tips for living with style and charm, gleaned from decades in the fashion industry. She offers specific pointers on how to dress like a Parisian, including how to mix affordable basics with high-fashion touches, and how to accessorize. Her step-by-step do's and don'ts are accompanied by fashion photography, and the book is personalized with her charming drawings. Inès also shares how to bring Parisian chic into your home, and how to insert your signature style into any space—even the office. The ultrachic volume is wrapped with a three-quarter-height removable jacket and features offset aquarelle paper and a ribbon page marker. Complete with her favorite addresses for finding the ultimate fashion and decorating items, this is a must-have for any woman who wants to add a touch of Paris to her own style.

Join internationally renowned fashion illustrator Megan Hess as she explores the timeless beauty and glamour of ten of France's best-loved designers in a stylish celebration of one of the world's favourite fashion destinations. From the courts of Versailles to the cobbled streets of Paris, French fashion has always been the epitome of elegance. Whether it's Dior's New Look, Yves Saint Laurent's Le Smoking jacket or Chanel's little black dress, the masters of French fashion understand that clothing is more than a craft: it's an art form. Megan Hess's love for French style sparked her career in fashion illustration. In these pages, she unspools the threads of ten legendary designers – Chanel, Dior, Saint Laurent, Lanvin, Givenchy, Chloé, Balmain, Louis Vuitton, Hermès and Celine – to discover the origins of haute couture, prêt-à-porter and everything chic. Accompanied by Megan's exquisite illustrations of current and archival collections, Elegance: The Beauty of French Fashion tells the story of how France's iconic fashion houses have influenced the very fabric of design.

The city of lights, of fashion, of taste, of design. Paris is the city of chic--and as such, its innate style shines throughout the city, even in the simplest spaces. Quaint bistros, picturesque alleyways, artists' studios and unique characters are elevated to a modern-day genre painting when set in Paris. From skateboarders to antiquarians, this volume is a glimpse into Parisian life, as if peering over the edge of the balcony at your own pied-a-terre. Photographer Oliver Pilcher opens the doors to some of the most sophisticated homes in Paris, sharing an intimate portrait of various families. The quiet, daily moments of Parisian life are eternalized through Pilcher's lens. Monuments don't make a city; the people do. And Pilcher proves this.

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