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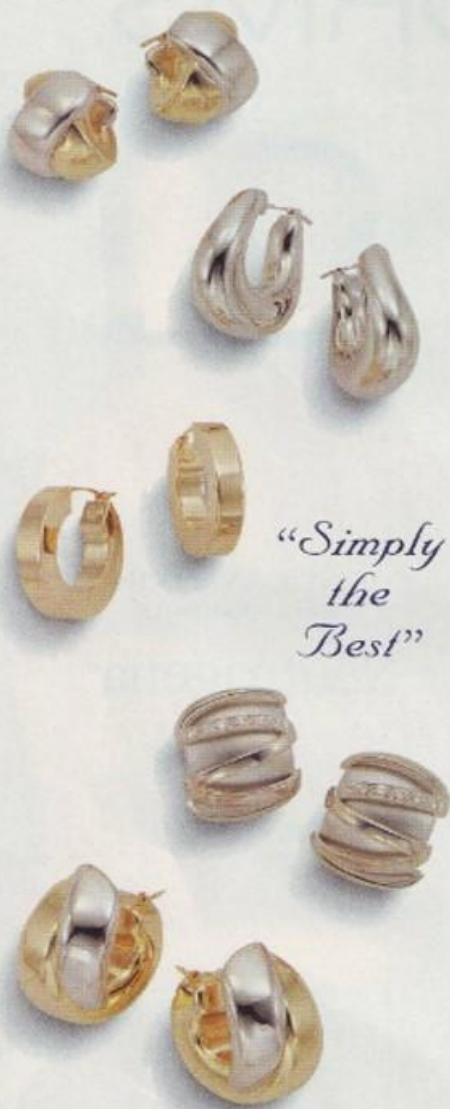


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closet case

Sweats. Beach bag. Gym shoes. Slippers! Backpack. Bathrobe. Belts. Where are they? [“Space Exploration,” January] How about a teensy dose of realism here?

Eileen Linde
Oak Park, Ill.

what women want

I used to subscribe to at least five fashion magazines, but once I read *In Style* I canceled all the others. In my opinion yours is the best magazine out there for “real” women. The articles are great, the fashion is beautiful—mostly because real people can afford it and actually wear it.

Stacy Sotiropoulos
Westchester, Ill.

jane's addictions

I'm always excited to receive *In Style* and read about products celebrities use. I would love to know where I can buy the natural hair color Jane Leeves said she was using during her pregnancy [Beauty Talk, November]. I too have been fighting gray hair since my 20s and would love to try it.

Robin Baumann
Arizona

Jane Leeves uses Herbavita Herbatint (a permanent colorant, \$9.70) and Vegetal Color (a semi-permanent vegetable-based rinse, \$16), neither of which contains ammonia. The company also makes a range of herbal shampoos and conditioners. All products are available at health food stores; call 212-

Jane Leeves

683-5030 for stores or 877-699-4400 for more information.

There is a reason why Jane Leeves has been told not to take baths during her pregnancy: There are medical studies showing that taking hot baths during pregnancy, particularly in the first trimester, increases the risk of certain birth defects, such as spina bifida. Taking adequate amounts of folate (400 mcg before pregnancy and 800 mcg during) helps reduce the risk.

Susan A. Scherl, M.D.
Chicago

cover this

I love the fashion, decorating and celebs in *In Style*. My one complaint is that you've had some stars on your covers more than once. What about Sarah Michelle Gellar, Kate Hudson, Goldie Hawn or Natasha Richardson? I also have a Man of Style nomination: Heath Ledger.

Natalie Faulkner
Calgary, Alberta

a blush by any other name

Please help me find the L'Oréal Translucide gel blush mentioned in your January Beauty Report. I can't locate it anywhere.

Donna Lambert
Boston

The product was originally distributed on a limited basis. It has now, however, been launched nationally under the name Translucide sheer blush (\$9.25; at drugstores).



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