



# boot camp

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**Y**ou know what they say, “Shoes make the woman.” Well, this year’s boots will give people plenty to talk about.

Luxurious designs and deluxe details make this season’s styles sizzle. From booties to riding boots, the versatile footwear can go from wide-legged slacks in the office to your little black dress for a night out on the town.

## BASIC BOOTS

Some things never go out of style and a classic pair of tall boots falls into that category. Invest in a basic black boot and you’ll wear them for years. These options are anything but basic and they’re sure to become lasting staples of your wardrobe: Gucci’s mid-heel black leather boots (\$1,050) with an interlocking “G” ornament are clean, sleek and truly fabulous, while Christian Louboutin’s smoky grey tall “Bourge” boot (\$1,385) are super sexy and fit like a glove.

## RIDING BOOTS

The epitome of classic, all-American fashion, Ralph Lauren’s “Selina” two-tone riding boots (\$1,100) are a timeless purchase you won’t regret. Look like a million bucks with Chanel’s calfskin riding boot (price by request). The interlocking “C’s” overstitched on the supple leather are worth every penny. Tory Burch’s “Warren” (\$525) high boot in black or toffee brown is simple yet stylish with a mid-size heel, perfect for walking from meeting to meeting or a weekend jaunt to the country.

## BOOTIES

When it comes to this fashion-forward style, it’s all in the details. From flowers and lace to ruffles and bows, booties are ultra-feminine for fall but with a modern twist. Strut your stuff in everything from vintage-inspired booties with structured ruffles from Christian Dior’s “Drape” bootie (\$1,090) in black suede to Roger Vivier’s ankle booties (\$1,140) to Moschino’s red suede bootie (\$660) complete with pleats and topped with a sweet bow—a little bit sugar with a dash of spice. ✦

