

## Closet Case: Style Interview with Chantell Nighswonger

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Like most public relation girls, Chantell Nighswonger is certainly a fan of black. Chanel flats, a Prada purse and agenda from Hermes is the normal uniform for Chantell. Before becoming an account coordinator at the PR-powerhouse Allison & Partners, Nighswonger worked in the PR office of Versace. Red carpet fittings, Rachel Zoe encounters and calls from Donatella Versace herself is all in a days work for this PR maverick. Since last season, Chantell is now handling the PR for Scottsdale Fashion Week and doing a fantastic job, as the event was mentioned in the LA Times. Chantell describes her style as "It's as if Ralph Lauren and Penny Lane had a love child. I call it the Hamptons meets Coachella".



### **Describe your style?**

It's as if Ralph Lauren and Penny Lane had a love child. I call it the Hamptons meets Coachella.

### **If you had to wear one item of clothing for the rest of your life, what would it be?**

Any of my maxi dresses, it's hard not to look stylish in them.

### **If you could steal one person's wardrobe, who's would it be?**

Diane Kruger

### **What is the crown-jewel of your closet?**

This Fall 2008 Marc Jacobs Monochrome Lurex tweed box jacket with hand-painted stripes. It has that classic Chanel feel but with that wonderful modern Marc Jacobs twist.

### **If any, what advice would you give to others about fashion?**

Fashion is a reflection of how you wish the world to see you, so dress accordingly.

### **What article of clothing are you lusting for at the moment?**

Leopard print wedges

### **What are six items of clothing no one should be without?**

White button down, skinny jeans, black blazer, anything leopard, a cross-body bag, and printed silk scarves

### **What is the biggest mistake people make when it comes to fashion?**

The worst mistake I see is that people's clothes don't fit their body. Spend a little less money and get the piece tailored to fit you and it won't matter what trend you're wearing.

### **What trend do you love at the current moment?**

Black Swan is definitely influencing some trends right now and as a former ballerina, I'll take cashmere wraps, pastels and chiffon skirts any day!

### **In history, fictional or non, what individual has the best style?**

Overall, Parisian woman today and in history have this effortless sense of beauty and style that never fails to surprise me. They literally ooze style.

### **Must have beauty product?**

Chapstick. No one likes a pair of chapped lips.

### **Favorite local boutique, shop, store?**

Saks Fifth Avenue and My Sister's Closet