

## Closet Case: Su Yip Talks Personal Style

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Su Yip is a fearless fashionista. The relentlessly chic Su keeps a closet full of Pamela Love, Rick Owens and a plethora of vintage- all components of her unorthodox sense of style. Too often the "free spirit" and deliberate "oddball" types of dressers are detergent of taste and absent of polish that is necessary to pull off the look. Su refrains from this, keeping an underling and sometimes disguised form of elegance throughout her peculiar look.



She fancies fur, especially that of Mongolian lamb, a heavy wedge-shoe and a waspy dress, a typical uniform for Su. When asked which six items of clothing no one should be without, Su says she needs "jeans that fit like a glove, a crisp white shirt, a classic trench coat, a badass leather jacket a la Rick Owens and basics like perfectly slouchy tees and menswear pants."

The taste-maker is said to have a jewelry collection in the works, which will undoubtedly encompass the fabulous taste of its designer.

And so, I sit down with Su Yip to get her thoughts on fashion...

### How would you describe your style?

Ever-changing

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

My washed leather Haider Ackermann jacket. Impractical, but I love it.

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

Taylor Tomasi Hill. She epitomizes effortless chic topped off with the perfect amount of edge.

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

A vintage kimono that belonged to my mother

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

Your personal style can be one of the most dynamic ways of reflecting who you are. Epictetus said: "Know first who you are and then adorn yourself accordingly." You can't go wrong with that.

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

An easy, architecturally drapery dress from Acne's spring collection. I love their silhouettes and color palettes.

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

Jeans that fit like a glove, a crisp white shirt, a classic trench coat, a badass leather jacket a la Rick Owens and basics like perfectly slouchy tees and menswear pants. I love what Olivier Theyskens is doing for Theory. These staples can always be kicked up a notch with the right shoes and accessories.

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

Not staying true to who they are.

### What trend(s) do you love at the moment?

I'm not good with trends. They never feel comfortable on me.

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

I can't really pinpoint an individual with the "best" style because I admire so many styles. I am mostly inspired by street style and everyday people who are able to keep things interesting and push the envelope whilst going about their daily lives. That's real style to me.

### Must-have beauty product?

Argan oil. A must when you live in the desert!

### Favorite local boutique/shop/store?

Barneys and Fashion by Robert Black