### Attire Guide: Dress Codes from Casual to White Tie

#### OCCASION/ DRESS CODE

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**White Tie**

- Black tailcoat, matching trousers with a single stripe of satin or braid in the US; two stripes in Europe or the UK.
- white piqué wing-collared shirt
- white vest
- white-colored (e.g., mother of pearl) studs and cufflinks
- white bow tie
- white or gray gloves
- black patent shoes and black dress

- Formal (floor length) evening gown

**Black Tie**

- Black tuxedo jacket and matching trousers
- formal (piqué or pleated front) white shirt
- black-colored (e.g., onyx) studs and cufflinks
- black bow tie (silk, shiny satin or twill)
- black cummerbund to match tie, or a vest
- dressy suspenders to ensure a good fit (optional)
- black patent shoes and black dress socks
- no gloves.

- In summer or on a cruise white dinner jacket, black tuxedo trousers plus other black

- Formal (floor length) evening gown
- dressy cocktail dress
- Your dressiest little black dress
Creative

Black Tie
- Tuxedo combined with trendy or whimsical items, such as a black shirt or a matching colored or patterned bow tie and cummerbund
- Formal (floor length) evening gown
- Dressy cocktail dress
- Your dressiest little black dress
- Fun or unique accessories

Black Tie Optional
- Either a tuxedo (see 'Black Tie' above) or
- Dark suit, white shirt, and conservative tie
- Dressy leather shoes and dark dress socks
- Formal (floor length) evening gown
- Dressy cocktail dress
- A little black dress
- Dressy separates

Semiformal
- Dark, business suit
- Matching vest (optional)
- Dress shirt
- Conservative tie
- dressy leather shoes and dark dress socks

- Short afternoon or cocktail dress
  - a little black dress
  - long dressy skirt and top
  - dressy separates

**Festive Attire**

*(usually for the holidays)*

- Seasonal sport coat or blazer in color of choice, and slacks
  - open-collar shirt
  - dress shirt and optional "festive" or holiday-themed tie

- Cocktail dress or
  - long dressy skirt and top
  - dressy pants outfit or separates
  - a little black dress
  - feature holiday colors and accessories

**Business Formal** *

- Dark business suit
  - matching vest (optional)
  - dress shirt
  - conservative tie
- dressy leather shoes and dark dress socks

- Suit
- business-style dress
- dress with a jacket
- stockings (optional in summer)
- heels, low or high

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**Business Casual**

- Seasonal sport coat or blazer with slacks or khakis
- dress shirt with optional tie, or casual button-down shirt
- open-collar or polo shirt
- loafers or loafer-style shoes and socks

- Skirt, khakis or pants
- open-collar shirt, knit shirt, or sweater
  (no spaghetti straps or decolleté)
- casual-style dress

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**Dressy Casual**

- Seasonal sport coat or blazer and slacks
- dress shirt, casual button-down shirt
- optional tie
- open-collar or polo shirt

- Dress
- skirt and dressy top
- dressy pants outfit
- nice jeans and dressy top

**Casual**

- Khakis or good jeans (clean, no holes)
- cargo or Bermuda shorts—depending on occasion and climate
- plain t-shirt (no slogans), polo shirt, or turtleneck
- casual button-down shirt
- sweater
- loafers, sneakers (with or without socks), or sandals

- Sundress
- long or short skirt
- khakis or nice jeans
- shorts (depending on occasion and climate)
- plain t-shirt (no slogans), polo shirt, or turtleneck
- casual button-down blouse

*Always check and abide by your company's dress code.*