



## Shop till you Drop

OR save time, money and your sanity with these tips and how-to's during the busiest shopping season of the year.

Compare prices online before you hit the stores. Hoofing it from one end of the mall to the other to check price tags just wastes time. Plus, this way, you'll know exactly what you want when you see it.

Shop after 6pm the day before an advertised sale, when discounts are often in the store's computer system already.

Before you whip out your wallet, ask about any unadvertised discounts or preferred-customer coupons. You might score the same price breaks given to members of the store's loyalty program.

Beat the crowds by shopping extended hours. (before 10am and after 9pm)

When an online shopping site asks for a promotion code, leave your cart and open a new window to check coupon sites like CouponHut.com, Savester.com, FatWallet.com.

When possible, buy online and pick up at the store to avoid the hassle of crowded aisles and long lines.

Let the charity at the mall wrap your presents. Good deed, time saved, it doesn't get any better.



## Editor's Pick Treat yourself to beauty for the holidays.

*This season, there's a plethora of beauty sets to play with. My favorite ones are chicly versatile and will take you from an au natural shopping date with the girls, straight to a smoky eyed-glamorous dinner bash.*

Gold- and silver-flecked shadows, two shades of ultra-flattering blush, pink and peach sheer gloss, and a diminutive mascara—together in a beautiful sequin-spattered, clutch-like box. Lorac Fairytale Life, \$52, [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)



Every one of our favorites from this hip, funny company: nude shadow base, spangly bronze powder, chocolate liner, and a no-holds-barred gold glitter gel. Urban Decay Best of Urban in Midnight Cowboy Rides Again, \$32, [urbandecay.com](http://urbandecay.com)





## Fashion Scene: Tsumori Chisato

A graduate of Tokyo's renowned Bunka Fashion College, Chisato started working in 1977 for Issey Miyake, who helped her launch her own line in 1990. She first brought her collection to Paris in 2003 and has been quietly building her name with girls in Los Angeles and New York. Her most recent fall collection stayed faithful to her aesthetic, which is print-heavy with a healthy dose of manga/bohemian cuteness.

During this season's Paris Fashion Week, Tsumori Chisato showed her autumn-winter collection. The show took wing with the first look, an owl-appliqué minidress, and closed with homey quilted frocks that tied into the vague Bloomsbury theme at play throughout. There were a number of pretty dresses: some dramatic with pile stripes, a requisite velvet number, and others with tree appliqués and a patchwork of fun, flirty prints.



Fashion designer, TSUMORI CHISATO



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Here's a few fun and playful Chisato looks for the holidays we absolutely love.

### CAP-SLEEVE CINCH TOP IN BLACK

Free-flowing but still flattering, this unusual black cotton-blend blouse is a great variation on the standard going-out tops



### TORAKO BALLET FLATS

The basic ballet flat takes a wild turn with a timeless tiger print and sweet kitty appliques.



### HEAVEN PRINT WOOL JERSEY DRESS

Give the winter months a cheerful burst of pattern with this whimsical graphic print dress

