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# Fashion goes back to nature

## By Samantha Critchell ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

NEW YORK — The runways at New York Fashion Week carved a path through the woods - sometimes literally.

Michael Kors had a wooden runway lined with boxwood for his sunny nature-inspired show on a Wednesday, which featured a "shredded shrub" fabric. At Rodarte, dresses mimicked tree bark and wood paneling.

But nature was evident even in ways that were less obvious — in natural, textured fabrics like gauze, silk and linen.

"It's all very natural and easy and it's all being mixed: chiffon, gauze, leather, suede, hemp and flats. linen. It's an interesting take on what you find in nature," said Joe Zee, creative director for Elle magazine.

The earthy feel goes with the easy feeling that has prevailed at the spring Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week previews that run through today. The fashion flock then moves on to London, Paris and Milan.

## **MICHAEL KORS**

Bells and whistles can mask neath.' many things in fashion: sketchy tailoring, stale ideas and figure flaws. Simplicity done well, like Michael Kors turned out Wednesday, means everything else has to be perfect.

"It's all about the way you cut it, the texture ... You can't hide behind ruching and ruffles. But I love simplicity when it's right,' Kors said backstage just after his "Sunshine State of Mind" collection debuted on the runway.

the look that included a daffodilyellow cashmere tank dress, a crinkly hemp linen tunic, a white gauze pullover and matching sarong skirt that looked like something the long, lithe model just tossed on in the casually chic way models often do.

The fluid gabardine trench over stone-colored pullover and floaty linen gauze skirt captured the easy elegance that editors, stylists and retailers are buzzing about as the big message from the spring collections.

The shoes were mostly flat buffcolored sandals. Kors said he was tired of seeing women in heels tucking an extra pair of shoes into their bags; the solution is stylish

## NARCISO RODRIGUEZ

The full change in fashion's favorite silhouette from the aggressive, tight shape of just a season or two ago to a looser, more languid look couldn't have been more obvious than on the Narciso Rodriguez runway of New York Fashion Week.

His spring collection was feminine and sultry, yet it never lost sight of the strong woman under-

Sarah Jessica Parker and Courtney Love were among those in his front row.

Love had to put her glasses on to get a better view.

The delicacy of Rodriguez's spaghetti straps — make that angel hair - on the last few slip dresses was masterful.

Rodriguez has made architec-The words he used to describe mellowing in line with the trends Tarantino's violent "Kill Bill."



A model shows off a dress from the Narciso Rodriguez spring 2011 collection during New York Fashion Week on Tuesday.

that have dominated New York Fashion Week. And, strategic use of champagne-colored fabrics were used as he hit the barenesswithout-skin trend.

## VERA WANG

tural styles his signature, and in artful, romantic styles, which they were still a driving force might give one pause when she here, but there was an overall cites as inspiration Quentin

But Wang, in her notes, said it was a "fusion of East meets West, with a mixture of boyish urban sophistication and romantic otherworldly sensuality."

Wang's dresses were her best offerings, including a red silk-tulle Vera Wang typically specializes gown with a high neck and handruched draping over a bustier, and a gray jersey dress with twisted pleats and a sheer organza back drape.

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## **'60 Mins.'** to launch new site

**By David Bauder** ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

launching a companion website that will offer additional details from its correspondents each week about stories that appear on the CBS broadcast.

The site 60minutesovertime.com and will appear on Sept. 26, the night the broadcast begins its 43rd season on the air. Each week new content will appear online at the same time the broadcast airs.

CBS said Wednesday the material wouldn't be outtakes, but fully-produced stories that will explore new angles or expand upon ideas that were only talked about for a short time on the air.

For example, correspondent Steve Kroft interviews New Orleans Saints quarterback Drew Brees for the first show, and they walk down Bourbon Street together. The website will have a more expanded look at where they went during that segment, said Jeff Fager, "60 Minutes" executive producer.

"It's an opportunity for our team to tell stories about their stories," Fager said.

It's not happening immediately, but there are plans to make "60 Minutes" correspondents available to talk about their stories with viewers through the website, said Bill Owens, the broadcast's executive editor, who will oversee content. He said "60 Minutes" is also talking with YouTube about starting a new channel there devoted to the broadcast.



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## **By Jacqueline Bigar**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Sept 6.2010:

This year, you open up to many changes Emphasize your imagination and your ability to move past an issue. You might see a situation far differently from others You add more energy than you realize. You add a caring, feeling touch that makes people more comfortable. Be willing to discuss issues more openly. If you are single, a relationship enters your life that will play a significant role. If you are attached, the two of you regain your past closeness. You act like newlyweds CAPRICORN is fun to be with.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-1 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult 4-Positive

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ Investigate alternatives, even if someone, or several people, nixes every idea that heads in his or her direction. Focus on what you can do without a high-five from others. Sometimes you have little choice. Tonight: Burning the midnisht oil.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

 $\star \star \star \star$  Keep reaching out for others. You might not understand what is happening behind the scenes with an associate. It also is questionable whether you vant to know. Creativity fills in the gaps. Allow more feedback from those who have vision. Tonight: Let your mind

#### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\* Build a stronger sense of con nection in a key relationship. Allow greater creativity and a deeper sense of connection to bubble up. Don't take

unnecessary risks, if possible. Others simply aren't working with you, nor against you. Take your time. Tonight: Dinner for two.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)  $\star \star \star$  Defer to others, knowing full well what you need, which is cooperation. You are coming from a very solid point of view. Others simply cannot hear your message, especially those who count. Tonight: Sort through weekend plans. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Stay even and direct in your dealings. You might not always come up with the best solution. Be aware of the costs of a project that might be important to you Discussions don't seem to reveal any solutions yet. Tonight: Pace yourself. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\* Your receptiveness helps you bypass a major issue. For many, it could involve finances. You will find a solution that might startle you. Don't allow inse curity to float through your plans any longer. Tonight: Let your hair down. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Use your imagination to get past the inevitable. Your ability to handle a personal matter could make a big difference. Carefully consider options that surround you. Share what you might think is an off-the-wall idea. Tonight: Homeward bound.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Keep conversations moving. A meeting proves to be enlightening. Consider that the only person who is holding you back is yourself. Make calls. brainstorm away and get a project off the ground. Tonight: Start thinking about eekend plai SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\* You might want to broker a better understanding financially. You might want to discuss what is behind another person's actions. Try walking in this person's shoes rather than judge him or her. Go along with an associate's ideas. Tonight: Work as late as need be.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\* Someone could be hard on you. This person wants something done his or her way and will say and do whatever it takes. You might want to read between the lines. Distance yourself and see what is going on with this person. Tonight: All smiles. Find a friend or loved one. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Read between the lines more carefully. How you handle a child or loved one is important. Listen to his or her perspective. Understand what needs to occur within your immediate circle in order to bring a greater sense of connection. Tonight: Consider a radical change, but act on it.

#### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

 $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  You see a lot going on behind the scenes. You know what you want to do. Realize what is inevitable, and don't fight city hall in order to achieve those results. A sense of being connected to others remains key. A meeting is important. Tonight: Where the action is

#### BORN TODAY

Blues musician B.B. King (1925), actor Peter Falk (1927), magician David Copperfield (1956)

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