

The Total Package Wardrobe Recommendations When Dressing for an Interview



Suits

- 100% wool looks and wears better than any other materials.
- We recommend navy or charcoal, darker suits carry more authority, but try to avoid black (it's too formal).
- Solid colors and pinstripes are best, as long as the pinstripes are muted and narrow.

Shirts

- Solid white shirts convey honesty, intelligence, and stability.
- 100% cotton looks and feels better.
- Always wear an ironed shirt, even if the shirt claims to be "wash and wear."
- Always wear long sleeved shirts, with shirt cuffs extending 1/4-inch below suit sleeve.

Ties

- 100% silk ties make the most powerful and professional impact and are also the easiest to tie.
- Your tie should complement and add color to your suit.
- Width should be approximately the same as coat lapels, generally 2 3/4- 3 1/2 inches wide

Shoes

- Black or burgundy leather is the best colors.
- Black lace up shoes, cap-toe and wingtips are the most conservative.
- Slip-on, dress shoes (even those with tassels) are fine after you've landed the job.

Socks

- Socks should complement the suit.
- They should be long enough that skin is not seen when legs are crossed and not bunch around your ankles.

Accessories

- Jewelry should be very simple and conservative
- Briefcases should be leather.
- Watches should be simple and plain.
- Your interview belt will be black or burgundy leather to match your shoes. Once you get the job and expand your wardrobe, belt should be leather and match or complement shoes. The buckle should be simple.



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