

# What do you ladies wear at home?

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I started working from home about a year ago, and I've noticed that my at-home attire has gradually turned into tank tops and knit pants. I'm ashamed to say that the same lounging wear is on when The Boss gets home and I feel like I could do better. Plus, it would be nice to go outside without feeling the need to change my clothes.

So, what do you ladies wear around the home? Could you offer some ideas for outfits?

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jocrue • 27 points • 15 July, 2015 09:08 PM

Simple dresses go a long way. If you wear them with leggings, they're basically just a more sophisticated version of a tank-top and yoga pants. And soooo comfortable.

It also helps to spend at least a half an hour on hair/makeup/whatever in the morning. Don't just throw your hair up into a bun.

cats\_or\_get\_out • 24 points • 16 July, 2015 12:34 AM\*

I wear dresses or skirts everyday to work. I have a job that requires a lot of physical work (librarian--lots of shelving, moving boxes and things), and I can do it comfortably and still be feminine. The trick is to go for skirts and dresses that are full (not pencil).

I have a family member who has made me oodles of skirts and dresses. I have a high-end sewing machine, but I haven't made the leap from curtains to clothes. Pattern companies have reprinted their old clothing patterns from the '50s and '60s. These are the best!

I refuse to leave the house in shorts or pants. Even if I have to run around the corner for milk, I'll slip into a dress. Around the home, I wait until he's in his "home clothes" before I jump into mine.

jocrue • 7 points • 16 July, 2015 01:31 AM

Yes yes yes! Full and A-Line are the epitome of the casual dress.

iamz3ro • 7 points • 16 July, 2015 08:20 AM **[recovered]**

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This is why I love this sub. I hope to marry a girl (if I even decide to) that will do stuff like this.

cats\_or\_get\_out • 5 points • 16 July, 2015 11:07 AM

I just discovered this sub! So interesting. I have been married for 13 years, and I have seen a lot of cringy behavior from other couples throughout the years. There are a few things (like the clothes thing) that I think are no-brainers...but apparently not.

PinkFloweryBranches • 1 point • 19 July, 2015 03:29 AM

What do you do in the winter time? Even though I live in Atlanta, it gets REALLY cold.

cats\_or\_get\_out • 2 points • 19 July, 2015 12:34 PM

Great question! I wear sweater tights if it's extra cold. During most of the winter, I wear patterned tights.

If there's snow on the ground, I wear these insulating leggings I have (designed for running). I have also worn plain black leg warmers over my tights. These are great because if they have the heat cranked up at work, I can take them off.

FlowerAndWillowWorld • 12 points • 16 July, 2015 06:05 AM\*

Not going to lie, I feel like most men would hate a dress + leggings. A dress shows off your legs, and leggings show off your butt. But both worn together *hide* your legs and your butt.

You could probably get away with it in the winter, but a better alternative might be a dress with high socks, like this.

jocrue • 2 points • 16 July, 2015 02:14 PM

My man seems to like the combo. It's usually something like this

I feel like dressing to impress your man =! dressing to look put together.

Maybe I'm the only one, but I hate having bare legs when I'm doing things around the house.

MerryJobler • 2 points • 19 July, 2015 09:51 PM

Socks that high must be glued in place with special glue or else they slip down. They are also *much* more expensive than leggings and don't warm as well, especially with a shorter skirt.

FlowerAndWillowWorld • 2 points • 19 July, 2015 11:22 PM

I own several pairs of over the knee socks that stay up by themselves. I got them at Forever21 for a few dollars per pair.

MerryJobler • 2 points • 20 July, 2015 12:39 PM

Nice, I'm shopping at the wrong stores then. Sock glue does exist, though. Mine never stay up without it.

frozen\_strawberry • 2 points • 16 July, 2015 06:20 AM

but that makes no difference because they hide the legs like leggings do and you're not showing your butt off either. i think that style looks kinda wacky, tbh. and the dress is pretty short so you'd have to be comfortable with that, too.

FlowerAndWillowWorld • 7 points • 16 July, 2015 06:31 AM

A lot of guys really like that bit of skin showing between the socks and the skirt. Plus it still covers your legs for warmth while leaving him easy access for fun times.

[deleted] • 0 points • 17 July, 2015 12:45 PM

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frozen\_strawberry • 4 points • 17 July, 2015 12:50 PM

yeah, that's why i mentioned how short the dress in the picture was. maybe i'm old fashioned but just because men like short skirts doesnt mean it attracts the kind of men we'd like to attract here/sends the right message.

FlowerAndWillowWorld • 3 points • 19 July, 2015 11:11 PM

Well, we are talking about clothing you'd wear at home here, not necessarily things you'd wear out for everyone to see. Of course it's up to you what you're comfortable with, but I would think the majority of the discomfort would be alleviated by being alone at home with someone you love.

littleredmelody • 4 points • 15 July, 2015 11:17 PM

I second the simple dress. I've been wearing more dresses lately, and the gateway was a cute pink plaid strapless thing, that falls to my knees and has a stretch waist.

I can pull it on over my head, or over my legs, and if I'm going out and don't want bra straps showing, it looks even more dressed up with a shawl or cardigan. It's the easiest no-thought no-discomfort outfit ever, so I even wear the dress around the house sometimes.

Kittenkajira • 1 point • 16 July, 2015 04:58 AM

I need a plaid dress in my life. That's going on the list for sure!

Kittenkajira • 2 points • 15 July, 2015 10:09 PM

I'm liking the leggings under a dress idea. Now I've got to find some comfy leggings.

[deleted] • 21 points • 16 July, 2015 03:14 AM

Our apartment is "clothes optional," so most of the time we're both hanging out in our skivvies or less. The man likes easy access, so he doesn't care for having me dressed up at home. If I had to wear clothes, I'd like a cute little nightie or PJs to lounge around in that don't make me look overly lazy or unkempt.

[deleted] • 12 points • 15 July, 2015 11:57 PM

Oh god, dresses from H&M. Affordable (some are 2 for 10 on sale pretty frequently) so I don't care if I mess them up in the kitchen. Tons of styles/colors/fits for whatever you think is flattering. I have them in every color, and multiples of my favs. My man loves my "rainbow of tiny dresses" example

Kittenkajira • 1 point • 16 July, 2015 05:01 AM

Like, 2 for \$10?! Wow! They have some cute looking dresses.

[deleted] • 3 points • 16 July, 2015 11:13 AM

That's normally the basic jersey knit ones. But they're my fav!

dancingforthemirror • 5 points • 16 July, 2015 03:50 AM

I'm single, so I generally roll around the house wearing the most comfortable clothes I have. :p If I were married or dating, I would definitely try to look nicer, but as it is I just don't care if I look like a hobo.

[deleted] • 4 points • 15 July, 2015 10:05 PM

Yoga pants/hot pants. I'm usually never cold so I wear tanktops. I also make sure that my comfortable clothes still look nice and appealing to my man :) Though he doesn't really mind... he says :P

pseudomuffin • 1 point • 17 July, 2015 01:45 AM

My man is a very vocal fan of yoga pants as well :) So comfy! Paired with a cute top and a 3/4 sleeve cardigan (I'm always cold!) I look decently put together at home and I can still take the dog out for a walk without changing.

[deleted] • 4 points • 16 July, 2015 03:56 AM

Experimented with some styles, yoga pants + tight shirt/top or shorts with tight shirts/tops is what he liked most (and me too).

[deleted] • 9 points • 16 July, 2015 04:16 AM\*

I usually wear what I wore to work minus the stockings till I go to bed then I sleep in lingerie(actual lingerie not that cheap crap from VS). I work everyday so I don't really have "weekend/lazy" clothes. I don't own any jeans

and only own 4 pairs of pants and they're all for workouts. I think pants on woman no matter how well tailored they are always looks sloppy. I don't wear my workout clothes anywhere but the gym. I don't even wear them to the gym I change when I get there and change again when I leave. I do my hair and makeup everyday no matter what. Makeup takes about 45 minutes I take my time, hair depends on if I set my curls the night before but usually 30 minutes.

I know this seems very odd and maybe a little Stepford but it's how my husband likes me to present myself.

fryingpanofdoom • 3 points • 16 July, 2015 01:02 PM [recovered]

I don't think it sounds odd at all, especially since I've noticed over the past few months that the more time I take to groom in the morning the better I feel all day. I would really like to work my way up to a having a no-rushing, set amount of time every morning for makeup and hair. Right now I manage makeup pretty well daily, but I'm always cutting corners with my hair. How do you usually set curls overnight? Whenever I try I end up with really tight curls and my hair turns into a disaster only gel and a bun can fix.

[deleted] • 1 point • 18 July, 2015 08:28 AM

I do no roller pin curls so maybe different then what you're doing. Be sure you're doing your curls correctly(end to root and NO TWISTING!!) and be sure you brush them out A LOT!!!! Like 3 minutes straight. I also do mine "standing" instead of flat so none of the curls end up crushed or matted. I also recommend Japanese or curved bobby pins the regular straight kind poke too much. Practice makes perfect I guess.

MrsLabRat • 1 point • 20 July, 2015 03:32 PM

(actual lingerie not that cheap crap from VS)

Where do you order it from? Or do you go to a shop?

[deleted] • 1 point • 20 July, 2015 08:40 PM

I order If I can directly from the brands or if they don't deliver I order from Net-A-Porter. There's only one really luxury lingerie shop in Seoul and they take so long to get new stuff.

[deleted] • 3 points • 15 July, 2015 09:42 PM

If it's warm out I usually wear sundresses or shorts with a flowy top and if it's cold I'll wear leggings and a long sweater.

MrsRitt • 3 points • 16 July, 2015 12:59 AM

During the day I wear dresses when I am out and about or doing errands. At night with my husband I always try to wear cute fun lingerie, panties or silky pajamas. But truthfully sometimes I slip up and find myself in flannel :/

I second the dresses with leggings. You can stay comfortable and still look very feminine while doing it. :)

cxj • 2 points • 15 July, 2015 10:00 PM

Couldn't you just wear whatever's comfortable most of the day and change rly fast when your man gets home? Seems like this would capture the best of both worlds

Kittenkajira • 3 points • 15 July, 2015 10:09 PM

That's how I started, but somehow I evolved into comfy clothes all day long.

DrJawn • 21 points • 15 July, 2015 11:03 PM

Just take off your clothes right before he gets home

cxj • 4 points • 15 July, 2015 11:04 PM

great solution.

Ariel125 • 2 points • 15 July, 2015 11:35 PM

can anyone link to 'house' dresses or lounge dresses? I tried ordering some off Amazon but they looked nothing like the picture, and are basically mumu's! I have sun dresses I wear out but really don't have anything I could do housework in.

jocru • 5 points • 16 July, 2015 01:41 AM

Be sure to try on different dress silhouettes to make sure you know what is the most flattering on you. Depending on your hips/waist/bust, you might need a different style.

A-Line is the most universally flattering, drop-waist is the most universally unflattering... but there are some women who look terrible in an a-line, and some that can rock the drop-waist (I assume, I've yet to see it be done).

I have a larger bust, so anything that doesn't nip in at the waist and flair out at the hem looks like a mumu or a tent. Depending on the hemline, a belt can make those style dresses look less tent-like.

Just remember: belts sit around your *waist* not right under your bust. That's just a transparent fat-girl trick to fake a waistline :P

Have fun experimenting, this should help!

cats\_or\_get\_out • 5 points • 16 July, 2015 12:42 AM

Try eshakti.com.

They allow you to customize your dress length, sleeve style, etc. I haven't bought anything from them (have my own seamstress), but my friends like their products.

I like how you can do custom sizing. You enter your dimensions (including torso length, etc,) and they see the dress accordingly. They're cute (not frumpy!) little numbers.

Ariel125 • 3 points • 16 July, 2015 12:44 AM

eshakti.com

wow thanks! They have the cutest things!

cats\_or\_get\_out • 1 point • 16 July, 2015 12:52 AM\*

Yay! I'm glad you like it!

I tried shopping at the mall (first time in years) for clothes and it was so frustrating. I prefer a classic, feminine look (Google "Sandra Dee" [the actress] and you'll see my preferred style).

[deleted] • 3 points • 15 July, 2015 11:53 PM

H&M and Forever 21 are great spots for cheap lounge dresses in flattering shapes!

FlowerAndWillowWorld • 2 points • 16 July, 2015 05:54 AM

Just search on these sites by lowest price and look for dresses made of a jersey knit material (like a t shirt). You'll get feminine, affordable, and comfortable all in one.

[deleted] • 2 points • 16 July, 2015 11:14 AM

They're like 70% of what makes up my closet, haha!

[deleted] • 1 point • 17 July, 2015 01:47 AM

oh man, i rembember having a couple of those, they're great. Asos has similar ones usually, if H&M doesn't work for you.

[deleted] • 2 points • 16 July, 2015 01:03 AM

Lingerie tops with leggings usually

SuperSlavisWife • 2 points • 16 July, 2015 05:49 AM

+1 for simple dresses

What I do is I wear my slodgers for housekeeping and then swap into a dress and heels before he gets home. If there's time a splash of makeup, a piece of jewellery and a bit of perfume in the hair too. :)

prettylittledictator • 2 points • 16 July, 2015 07:10 AM

I dress up for the weather to be honest..never know when I need to run errands or see my bf at work.

I do my make up and hair so I never feel self-conscious.

[deleted] • 2 points • 21 July, 2015 01:39 PM

I work from home too. I don't dress formally but I get dressed and go out every day. Different guys like different looks so it depends a bit on what your husband finds sexy. My man loves me in tight jeans and a tank top that shows a bit of cleavage, but he also loves flouncy little sundresses.

I wear my long hair down as often as possible and I always do a little bit of natural looking makeup (fill in brows, mascara, and a little eyeliner). I never wear t-shirts or sweatpants and I only wear workout clothes when I'm actually working out.

PursuingGrace • 2 points • 22 July, 2015 06:45 PM

I love, love, love maxi dresses and skirts. They are comfortable and easy to do chores in, but still cute enough that if I am running behind on freshening up before He gets home, I still look feminine and flirty. Just feminine, flirty, and possibly sweaty. lol

vintagegirlgame • 2 points • 16 July, 2015 09:43 AM

Now that it's summer and the pool has warmed up I spend a lot of time walking around the house in just a bikini! (With a sarong or coverup if the roommate or anyone but my SO is around). We don't use AC so if I get hot I just slip in the pool for a cooling dip. If we have the house to ourselves I'll sometimes skinny dip and try to get rid of some tan line which often leads to poolside sexy times ;)

PrincessofPersuasias • 1 point • 16 July, 2015 04:26 PM

Jumping on the dress bandwagon and adding:

be sure to find a comfortable dress that flatters your body type.

stores like ROSS can be fantastic for finding affordable dresses. The ones I buy are usually around \$10, super

cute, last for a while, and you can buy a few of them.

dresses are effortlessly sexy. Super easy to throw on, comfortable around the house, they actually make me feel productive (as opposed to working in pajamas), and if you need to go out you just throw on a pair of wedges and maybe a piece of jewelry.

tradmarriageftw • 1 point • 17 July, 2015 02:20 AM

I can't really wear dresses to work. I can get away with a cute short skirt or short dress over jeans, if this is the case then the jeans come off when I get home. Other wise I wear a cute top (think floral or lacy) then switch my pants to a skirt when I get home. It's too hot and uncomfortable where I live to stay in pants anyways. I'm always so relieved when I get home to change to a skirt.

anitapk • 1 point • 29 July, 2015 02:51 PM

Dresses, skirts with nice tops, shorts, anything that is cute really.