

OCCASION/ DRESS CODE
MEN WOMEN

White Tie

- Black dress coat (tailcoat), matching trousers with a single stripe of satin or braid in the US; two stripes in the UK
 - White piqué wing-collared shirt with stiff front
 - Braces, to ensure a good fit
 - Shirt studs and cuff links
 - White vest
 - White bow tie
 - White or gray gloves
 - Black patent shoes and black dress socks
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- Formal (floor length) evening gown
 - Long gloves (optional)

Black Tie

- Black tuxedo jacket and matching trousers
 - Formal (piqué or pleated front) white shirt
 - Shirt studs and cuff links
 - Black bow tie (silk, satin, or twill)
 - Black cummerbund to match tie, or a vest
 - Dressy braces to ensure a good fit (optional)
 - No gloves
 - Black patent shoes and black dress socks
 - *In summer, in the tropics, white dinner jacket, black tuxedo trousers plus other black*
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- 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 vest
- Formal (floor length) evening gown
- Dressy cocktail dress
- Your dressiest "little black dress"
- Fun or unique accessories

Black Tie

Optional

- Tuxedo (see "Black Tie" above)
- Dark suit, white dress shirt, and conservative tie
- Leather dress 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
 - Tie
 - Leather dress shoes and dark dress socks
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- 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, or dress shirt
 - Tie—festive or with a holiday theme
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- Cocktail dress
 - Long dressy skirt and top
 - Dressy pants outfit or separates
 - A "little black dress"
 - Feature holiday colors

Business Formal *

- Dark business suit
 - Matching vest (optional)
 - Dress shirt
 - Conservative tie
 - Leather dress shoes and dark dress socks
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- Suit
 - Business-style dress
 - Dress with a jacket
 - Stockings (optional in summer)
 - Heels, low or high

**Business
Casual**

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- Seasonal sport coat or blazer with slacks or khakis
 - Dress shirt, casual button-down shirt, open-collar
 - Optional tie
 - Loafers or loafer-style shoes, and socks
- or polo shirt
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- Skirt, khakis, or pants
 - Open-collar shirt, knit shirt
 - Dress
- or sweater
- (no spaghetti straps or décolleté)

**Dressy
Casual**

- Seasonal sport coat or blazer, and slacks

- Dress shirt, casual button-down shirt, open-collar or polo shirt
- Optional tie

- 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, turtleneck
- Casual button-down shirt and/or sweater
- Loafers, sneakers (with or without socks), sandals

- Sundress
- Long or short skirt
- Khakis or nice jeans
- Shorts (depending on occasion and climate)
- Plain T-shirt (no slogans), polo shirt, turtleneck
- Casual button-down blouse

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Always check and abide by your company's dress code