

What to wear on New Year's Eve

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Photo credit: Handout | Tiaras are so yesterday (unless you're Kate Middleton, of course). If you're hosting a New Year's Eve gig at home, crown yourself with this One Crown in Glory sparkly headband of Swarovski crystal with silver stars on a sterling silver chain (\$79, Singer 22).

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Question of the moment: What are you wearing for New Year's Eve?

A lot depends on what you are doing: There are those who go to bed way before the ball drops, and others who celebrate at home with friends and a feast. Some hearty revelers brave the cold and the crowds of Times Square, while there are always those New Year's Eve divas who take the big night as an opportunity to go full-throttle glam.

"New Year's Eve is about honoring the past and celebrating new beginnings, so whether you have a big night out or stay home on the couch, I say commemorate this special night in style," notes beauty and fashion expert Mary Alice Stephenson.

Celebrity stylist Phillip Bloch adds, "No matter what you're doing, be a little nice to yourself. You've got to be a little Carrie Bradshaw-Liz Taylor. It's when real people get to live the red-carpet lifestyle." That may be true, but Adam Glassman, O the Oprah Magazine's creative director, says, "it's not a good night to stray too far away from your comfort factor," adding that comfort, to some extent, is the key to a successful night.

"It's a time to feel alive and beautiful," says Glassman. "And your best accessory is confidence." Here, a few last-minute ways for homebodies, hostesses, Times Square types and glam girls to make it fun and functional on the big night.

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