

## Casual to Cover Girl

*Diablo* gives a twentysomething some supermodel style **EDITED BY CAROLYN ROVNER**



NEWLYWED and recent college grad Janessa Oriol wants some style. She's got a closet full of college clothes—basics that mix and match—which are fine for her day job as a physical therapist's assistant. After hours, however, she wants a sophisticated look, so she applied for a *Diablo* makeover.

"My style is just bland and boring," Oriol told *Diablo*'s consultants. "I want to jazz that up." By the time her makeover was done, Oriol knew she'd come to the right place.

**HAIR:** Julie Brun, owner of Phoenix Salon & Day Spa in Walnut Creek, says Oriol's basic bob has got to go. "This haircut is doing nothing for you," she says. Instead, Brun designs a cut with lots of youthful movement that will accentuate Oriol's strong jaw line. Brun says Oriol has the ideal face shape—an oval—and this cut will capitalize on that shape, bringing out Oriol's natural beauty.



Left to right: Oriol's "before" photo; Phoenix Salon owner Julie Brun cuts and styles Oriol's hair; Oriol gets a brush of blush by Sheena Bautista; Oriol after.

“You have incredible blue eyes. I want to make your eyes pop,” Brun explains. “I don’t want your hair to just hang there.”

This simple cut will give Oriol plenty of options. For day, with just a light blow dry and minimal styling, it will be casual yet polished. For evening, with serious styling, it will offer plenty of pizzazz.

Color specialist and make-up artist Sheena Bautista suggests a darker hair color for more contrast with Oriol’s olive skin, plus red and gold highlights to accentuate her new cut and her blue eyes. “I used three different shades to add contrast to her natural mousy-brown color,” says Bautista.

**MAKEUP:** Step one is to clean up Oriol’s eyebrows. Her brows have an ideal natural shape, so with just a little waxing and plucking, they go from ordinary to sublime. “Her brows really frame her eyes perfectly,” says Bautista.

A liquid mineral foundation and peachy-toned blush gives Oriol’s face a youthful, dewy glow. On her almond-shaped eyes, Bautista opts for browns and a peachy tones for a smoky evening look. She says black or gray would be too severe.

**TEETH:** Oriol’s complete makeover includes a stop at Brite Smile in Walnut Creek where Dr. Antonio Margiotta lightened Oriol’s teeth 10 shades. “The results are really dramatic,” says Margiotta. Total transformation time? Approximately one hour and 20 minutes for a brighter, flashier smile. >>>



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All beauty products available at Phoenix Salon & Day Spa, 1613 N. Main St., Walnut Creek, (925) 943-4944, [www.phoenixsalonanddayspa.com](http://www.phoenixsalonanddayspa.com). Phoenix services by Monica Aimar-Schiff (facial), Susan Jenkins (brow shaping), Zina Katz (manicure), and Olga Sakhayan (pedicure).

Dress by Milly, \$325, available at Sam, 1388 N. Main St., Walnut Creek, (925) 935-5502. Footless leggings by Hue, \$17.50; necklace, \$50, and earrings, \$45, by Carolee; available at Macy’s, various locations, [www.macys.com](http://www.macys.com).

Shoes by Manolo Blahnik, \$585, available at Footcandy, 1365 N. Main St., Walnut Creek, (925) 937-3668.

LEFT TO RIGHT: CAROLINE SCHIFF (1); ROBERT J. PERRY (4)

## makeover

**CLOTHES:** For her night-on-the-town wardrobe, *Diablo*'s fashion editor Carolyn Rovner recommends plenty of fun and trendy pieces. "I tapped into Janessa's quirky personality with a look that is neither too crazy nor too serious. One of fall's hottest trends is layering footless leggings under dresses, so when we found this retro party dress, I knew we had the makings of a fabulous outfit," says Rovner. The pièce de résistance is a pair of killer heels—in animal print! "When a woman is in her twenties, it's the perfect time to experiment with fashion," says Rovner. "At that age, you can get away with almost anything."



**RESULTS:** Oriol's inner fashion model comes to life as she poses for her "after" shot. "It's such a big change!" she bubbles. "I never expected that I could look so great. ... Let's hit the town!" She left the photo shoot, arranged to meet her husband, and did just that.

### WANT A MAKEOVER?

*Diablo* is looking for a few good women (and men!) who want a little polish and panache. If you'd like to find a new you with the help of our fashion editor, Carolyn Rovner, and top East Bay salons and shops, apply for a makeover through our website, [www.diablolmag.com](http://www.diablolmag.com), or write to us at *Diablo* magazine, Attn: Carolyn Rovner, 2520 Camino Diablo, Walnut Creek, CA, 94597. ■