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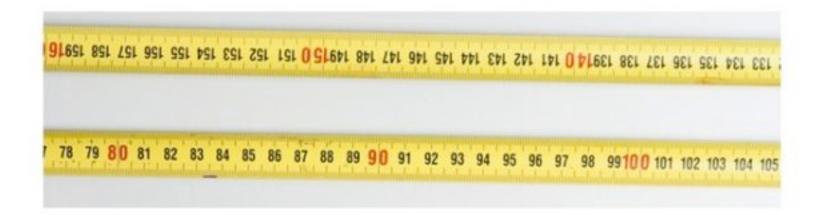
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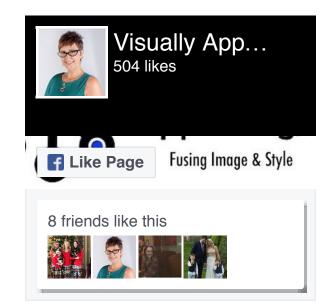
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### How Low Should We Go?

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When it comes to skirt lengths, which is the best and the most flattering?

It can be really hard to decide 'how low' we want our skirts to fall on our legs. At Visually Appealing, we recommend dress/skirts that hit right above or below the knee, especially if you plan to incorporate them into your work attire. Why is that the perfect length? There are a couple of factors: your height and age. Let's talk about height first, if you're petite 5'5" or shorter, having a longer length skirt may make you appear shorter so having your skirt length right above (1-2") your knee gives the illusion of longer legs. If you're taller than 5'5", you can wear it either length. As women mature(age), some may not like their knees so you may want your skirt length to fall 1-2" below the knees to cover them. Be careful, this is where the gray area comes into play, a skirt length too long on a petite person or someone with short legs will make you look matronly. Who wants that? NO ONE!!

If you have ever started out on a shopping endeavour to find this perfect length, you probably know how challenging it can be. So, we're here to help!



Skirt Lengths by visuallyappealinglic featuring a white sleeveless dress

#### Tip #1:

Pair your skirt with a fitted top (the brand Alfani at Macy's has some great ones) or a cinched blazer to create that elongated silhouette we are all searching for.

The black-and-white blazer pictured above is great for accentuating your waist and comes in multiple colors at Macy's. You never know, this blazer might become your go-to piece for fall.

Macy's pairs this blazer with a zipper-front pencil skirt by Grace Elements. I LOVE this piece because the zipper detailing draws the eye down, creating a long a lean silhouette. White House Black Market(WHBM) also has perfect workappropriate skirts and dresses.

So, an outfit that gives you a cinched waist AND an elongated silhouette?! I think that's a sure winner. Thank you, Grace Elements.

#### Tip #2:

Go for a pattern! Patterns will spice up your outfit and add some fun to your wardrobe.

#### Tip #3:

If you don't feel like having to pick out the perfect top to match your new skirt, you can get the same classy look with a swing dress, sheath or shift dress.

The one pictured above is by NY Collection at Macy's. Handkerchief hemlines like this give you the added comfort you may not find in a pencil skirt. Also, a sheath dress by WHBM shown above with a shorter hemline.

#### Tip #4:

If you want even more options for this below-the-knee look, start by shopping the brands NY Collection, Grace Elements, and Alfani. These three designers are experts on creating pieces that epitomize classic sophistication. WHBM has wonderful above the knee options.

Check back soon, as I will be tackling another fashion "length war" in the coming weeks. But this time, it will be all about the pants.

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