

= Trinny Woodall =

Trinny (Sarah @-@ Jane) Woodall (born 8 February 1964 , in London) is a British fashion and make @-@ over advisor , designer , television presenter and author . She was privately educated . After ten years working in marketing ? Woodall met Susannah Constantine in 1994 , whom she joined to write a weekly fashion column for The Daily Telegraph . This led to the launch of their own internet fashion @-@ advice business and the release of their first fashion @-@ advice book .

They were commissioned by the BBC to host What Not to Wear in 2001 . The following year Woodall and Constantine released their second book , What Not to Wear , which gained them a British Book Award and sold over 670 @,@ 000 copies . The pair co @-@ wrote 11 fashion advice books , several of which became best @-@ sellers in the United Kingdom and the United States , and have now sold over 3 million copies worldwide . In 2003 they launched their shapewear range Trinny & Susannah 's Original Magic Knickers , which are sold in 30 countries around the world .

After co @-@ hosting What Not to Wear for five series and appearing on The Oprah Winfrey Show as style and make @-@ over advisors , Woodall and Constantine moved to ITV to host Trinny & Susannah Undress ... in 2006 , and Undress the Nation . After becoming the faces of Littlewoods Direct , they released their own Littlewoods clothing range along with their 5th fashion advice book , The Body Shape Bible , in 2007 . In 2009 , they launched their International Makeover Mission series . They have filmed over 20 series in 9 countries including Norway , Sweden , Israel , Denmark , Australia , India , Netherlands , Poland and the USA . They have been viewed by over 30 million women in over 31 countries .

In 2016 , Trinny began regular appearances on ITV This Morning Show as their fashion style expert .

= = Background = =

Woodall is the youngest of six children , including three half @-@ siblings from her father 's first marriage . Her father was a banker , while her maternal grandfather was Sir John Duncanson , controller of the British steel industry in the last two years of the war , who went on to become managing director of the British Iron and Steel Federation (BISF) in August 1945 and then managing director of Lithgows in 1949 .

= = Mainstream career = =

= = = Early career = = =

Woodall and Susannah Constantine first collaborated in 1996 on Ready to Wear , a weekly style guide for The Daily Telegraph which ran for seven years . The style guide highlighted affordable high @-@ street fashion , with the pair using themselves to demonstrate clothing that suited different figures . Woodall assumed the role of stylist and made the duo 's business decisions . She and Constantine later became co @-@ founders of Ready2shop.com , a dot @-@ com fashion advice business . The business dissolved in July 2001 .

Woodall 's first chance to work on television came about when Granada Sky Broadcasting signed her and Constantine to host a daytime shopping show , also called Ready to Wear . Soon after their television debut , they were given a recurring makeover slot on Richard & Judy . This gained them crucial exposure and attention from Jane Root , controller of BBC Two , who signed them to the channel encouraged by their tenacity and their book and internet business .

= = = Television = = =

Woodall came to prominence as co @-@ host and fashion advisor for five series of the BBC television series What Not to Wear . She and Constantine worked on the show from 2001 to 2005 ,

combining their knowledge of fashion to improve the dress sense of the candidates selected for the show . What Not to Wear made Woodall a household name , and she and Constantine became jointly known as Trinny and Susannah . They became infamous for their straight @-@ talking advice . The New York Times wrote " Trinny Woodall , one of the upper @-@ crusty and scathingly blunt hosts of What Not to Wear , a hugely popular fashion makeover show on the BBC , does not mince words . " Woodall has been spoofed on many comedy @-@ themed television shows , including Big Impression , on which impressionist Alistair McGowan took to spoofing her presenting techniques on What Not to Wear .

In 2002 , Woodall and Constantine won a Royal Television Society Award for their work on What Not to Wear , in the category of best factual presenter . The show itself was nominated for the Features Award at the BAFTAS in both 2002 and 2003 . The pair have given makeovers to various celebrities in What Not to Wear specials , including Jeremy Clarkson in 2002 , who later commented " I 'd rather eat my own hair than shop with these two again " . After success with viewing figures on BBC Two , the show was promoted to the more mainstream BBC One in 2004 . The show has also been broadcast internationally in over 20 countries .

With What Not to Wear proving popular on BBC America , Woodall worked frequently as a makeover and fashion expert on The Oprah Winfrey Show with Constantine , where they gave fashion advice and tips on how to improve overall appearance , often using themselves to illustrate the guidelines . They appeared on NBC 's The Today Show in 2006 , and returned to America in late 2007 appearing on Good Morning America to perform makeovers on different shaped women . They also reported for Good Morning America on the fashion at the 80th Academy Awards ' red carpet event in February 2008 . In 2009 they went on to make a series in the US for TLC called " Making over America " .

After What Not to Wear , Woodall and Constantine transferred from the BBC to ITV for a deal worth £ 1 @. @ 2 million . Woodall and Constantine began their new television show , Trinny & Susannah Undress ... , in 2006 . The first two series saw them helping couples who were experiencing difficulties in their marriages , by giving advice and a fashion makeover to increase confidence . In 2007 , the third series on ITV took a different format , tackling the main fashion issues present in Britain , under the new name of Trinny & Susannah Undress The Nation .

Woodall and Constantine have revealed that they have dressed in excess of 5 @, @ 000 women over the course of their career . They have adopted the attitude that dressing to compliment body shape is important , on which subject Woodall has commented " If you want to make the best of yourself you don 't necessarily need to diet ? you need to wear the right stuff . "

= = = = Guest appearances = = = =

During the BBC 's 2002 Children in Need appeal , Woodall and Constantine sang their own version of Madonna 's " Vogue " in front of celebrity backing singers . Children in Need 2004 saw them giving EastEnders characters Little Mo and Mo Harris a makeover à la What Not to Wear . Also in 2005 , Woodall voiced a robot version of herself in the well @-@ known science fiction series Doctor Who , in episode " Bad Wolf " .

In 2007 , Woodall appeared on Comic Relief Does The Apprentice in order to raise money for Comic Relief . The show required celebrities to sell tickets to a fun fair they had organised , with Woodall selling a ticket to a friend for £ 150 @, @ 000 . The Times wrote " Trinny Woodall is a prime @-@ time star , but is proper posh with mighty connections , as demonstrated by the six @-@ figure sums she blagged from richer friends on Comic Relief does the Apprentice . "

Woodall and Constantine have appeared on Parkinson three times together . Their first appearance in 2003 coincided with the host 's now infamous interview with Meg Ryan . Parkinson said that he felt Ryan 's behaviour towards his fellow guests , Woodall and Constantine ? whom Ryan turned her back on ? was " unforgivable " . Woodall has made appearances on numerous other chat shows and on Star in a Reasonably @-@ Priced Car , a recurring segment on the BBC Two motoring programme Top Gear .

= = = Advertising campaigns = = =

Woodall and Constantine became the faces of Nescafé in 2003 , featuring in advertisements promoting the brand of coffee .

The duo also became the faces of the home shopping company , Littlewoods Direct , when orders rose thirty percent during its sponsorship of their ITV programme Trinny & Susannah Undress in 2006 . The £ 12m television and print advertising campaign featuring Woodall and Constantine is one of largest ever seen for a home shopping and internet @-@ based company . Since the advertisements were launched , Littlewoods ' brand awareness , sales and website traffic have increased significantly .

Woodall and Constantine embarked upon a tour to New Zealand and Australia , between 2006 and 2008 , where they made a series of public appearances at shopping centres and adverts for the Westfield Group . They performed popular live styling sessions for customers .

= = = Books and merchandise = = =

Woodall and Constantine have co @-@ written numerous fashion advice books , which have sold over 3 million copies worldwide . Their style advice books have proceeded to become number one bestsellers in Britain and the United States , have been translated throughout the world , and have placed them number one on both The Sunday Times best @-@ seller list and The New York Times best @-@ seller list .

Their first major book , What Not to Wear , was published in 2002 . It gained them a British Book Award in 2003 for The TV & Film Book of the Year . The book outsold popular television chefs Jamie Oliver and Nigella Lawson when sale figures reached a total of 670 @,@ 000 copies , selling 300 @,@ 000 copies in just fifteen weeks . It was also selling 45 @,@ 000 copies a week at one point , and had sold 250 @,@ 000 copies before the peak book selling season had even begun . What Not to Wear made sales worth £ 8 @.@ 7 million which led to a £ 2 million book deal to produce more of their fashion books .

In 2006 , Woodall and Constantine launched their own underwear range " Trinny and Susannah Magic Pants " which are made from nylon to flatten the tummy , buttocks and thighs , in order to make the areas appear slimmer . The fashion duo launched their own clothing range exclusively for Littlewoods Direct on 20 September 2007 .

Their ninth book , The Body Shape Bible , was published in 2007 . Prior to writing The Body Shape Bible , Woodall and Constantine conducted a survey on women that helped them to identify the twelve most common body shapes , which they have featured in the book and given names such as ' apple ' . The book is aimed to help women decipher what particular shape they are , proceeding to give fashion guidelines according to each individual shape .

In 2012 Woodall and Constantine launched a range of Bodyshape Clothing for QVC UK

= = Personal life = =

Woodall has one daughter , Lyla (born 28 October 2003) , and is stepmother to her ex @-@ husband 's son , Zak .

She married musician turned company director Johnny Elichaoff in 1999 , at her family church , St Columba 's , situated in Pont Street , Knightsbridge . The church was the venue for her parents ' wedding , Woodall 's christening , and her Scottish grandfather is buried there . The couple announced their separation and intention to divorce in 2008 . Jonny Elichaoff died in November 2014 .

Woodall formerly suffered severely from acne , which began in her early teens and stayed with her until she was twenty @-@ nine . Her condition caused her to feel , in her own words , " unbelievably ugly for years " .

Woodall has also had many problems with conceiving in the past . She underwent IVF treatment nine times and had two miscarriages before she became pregnant with Lyla . She is an avid

supporter of charities , and stood as a trustee of a British charity helping those with alcohol and substance abuse issues (at the time called The Chemical Dependency Centre and later renamed Action on Addiction in 2007) . She also supported the Lavender Trust at Breast Cancer Care and The Elton John AIDS Foundation . She currently resides in Notting Hill Woodall has been criticised by The Daily Mail for looking too thin , but responded by declaring : " I 've been nine stone for 20 years , I always eat what I want , it 's not an issue for me " .

Woodall has been linked to Charles Saatchi since 2013 .

= = Television credits = =