

# Fashion

## Hip-hop world dumps gold teeth for Harry Winston

# Rap of luxury



**IN**  
Luxe glamour

Mary J. Blige  
**OUT**



**IN**



Jay-Z  
**OUT**



**IN**



**OUT**

P. Diddy



**IN**



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**K**ANGOL hats and Adidas shell-toe sneakers will always be staples, but big baggy pants and gold teeth have been shoved to the back of the well-dressed rapper's closet.

The hot items now making the rounds are far more luxe, thanks to high-end designers incorporating hip-hop style into their collections.

These days, artists like P. Diddy, Lauryn Hill, Mary J. Blige and Jay-Z are shopping at Dolce & Gabbana instead of Modigliani and flashing cash at Manolo Blahnik before they hit the Lecker.

Manolo Blahnik's \$90 Timberland boots, along with Christian Dior cargo pants, \$900 Henry Dunant jeans, Jony Couture track suits and diamonds from Jacob the Jeweler — are filling musicians' wardrobes faster than you can say "bling bling."

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the highest level of fashion right now. If you're buying a diamond, it has to be the size of a cassette player."

And it's not just jewelry — Harry Winston necklaces have replaced chunky gold chains — as well as cars, with black Escalades the wheels of choice, along with the Mercedes-Benz Maybach.

Another style must: getting your hair done by exclusive hairstylists.

"You've got to know someone to get an appointment with top hairstylists like Porsche and CAUTION, who 'work out of their crib,'" says MTV VJ La La, who gets her curly locks styled by them at least once a week.

But the ultimate sign of ghetto glamour? Your own fashion line, of course.

Joining the ranks of Sean John, J.Lo, Jay-Z, Kimora Lee and Russell Simmons, Eve will soon be launching a "sexy, but not vulgar" line for women.

"It will be like my style, but more casual," the platinum-blond singer told The Post.

"For years, we have been setting the trends for the rappers," said Fat Joe, who also has his own line of hip-hop wear, called J500.

"I said, 'Yo, let's capitalize on that.'"

**OUT**  
Schoolyard style



Photos of T.C. Mary J. Blige (top left), P. Diddy with Manolo and a gold tooth (top right) by Erin Paoncello, courtesy of the book "Who Shot Who?" edited by Karen Powell.