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Black Beauties

Want to cast a fashion spell? Then join celebrities like **Debra Messing** and **Ashley** and **Mary-Kate Olsen** in weaving a web of black lace. "It's the ultra-feminine fabric," says Manhattan designer Mark Morimoto. "We use it to seduce." And just like seduction, it's always in style. Black lace "doesn't go away," says **Rebecca Romijn-Stamos**. "There is nothing sexier." Fortunately, says *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* costume designer Cynthia Bergstrom, even an understated woman can tap lace's magic powers "by going for something with a neutral-colored underlay." As for accessories, celebrity stylist Danna Weiss advises pairing modern jewelry with vintage lace, and vice versa, because a faux pas is sure to be noticed. "Lace is a striking fabric," Weiss says, "so being overlooked is just not going to happen!" with **Tina L. Redwood** and **Samantha McIntyre** in New York City

Notable in not-so-basic black: **1. Rita Wilson**
2. Ashley (left) and Mary-Kate Olsen **3. Debra Messing**
4. Ming-Na **5. Melissa Joan Hart**



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