BLOGGER SPOTLIGHT

KRISTINE THOMPSON

The woman behind trendycurvy.com is on a mission to inspire women of every size. See how she does it and steal her secrets too!

STYLEWATCH Why did you start your blog? **KRISTINE THOMPSON** I initially created it as a hobby. I've been curvy since my early teens, and it was always so difficult to find clothing for my body type that was on-trend. I love fashion and didn't want to feel limited, so I started trying different retailers and brands. I put my outfits online to share my finds with others, and now it's turned into way more than I ever thought it could be. **SW Where does your confidence**

come from?

<u>KT</u> I had a very supportive upbringing. My parents really shaped me into who I am. I also look up to women like Ashley Graham, Danielle Brooks and Gabourey Sidibe; they're reconstructing what it means to be plus-size and beautiful. They've paved the way for bloggers like me.

<u>SW</u> What do you love most about your job? <u>KI</u> I don't want to just put things together that happen to look cute. My main objective is to encourage women to feel *good* about what they're wearing. If I can help one person with her self-esteem, that's a success.

> **Origins** High Potency Night-A-Mins Renewal Cream, \$43; origins.com

Murad (From left) Oil-Control Mattifier SPF 15 PA++, \$40, and AHA/BHA Exfoliating Cleanser, \$36; murad.com

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I'm a huge proponent of skin care—your face is the focal point of any look. And I love lipstick. I'll wear red year-round. It works with anything!" **Coloured Raine** Matte Liquid Lip Paint in Cherry Blossom, \$17; rickysnyc.com THROW OUT ANY FASHION RULES! IWAS ALWAYS TOLD THAT I SHOULDN'T WEAR WHITE JEANS, BUT NOW ILOVE THEM."

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