

Show
jean//phillip

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Will the Boys Dare?



Much like entering the Rick Owens store in TriBeCa, N.Y., the guests at jean//phillip's exclusive show were greeted with the deep rhythms of warm and glitchy minimal techno, setting the mood for a no-nonsense show. While continuing his established aesthetics and sticking to some of his signature looks, designer Jean Phillip delivered an incredibly sharp and balanced collection. Combining shiny patent leather shoes and heavier boots with bondage belts and transparent tops, the overall look was both dark and dandy.

Boys will have to show some courage to wear jean//phillip's rather bold pieces on the street. The masculine corsets – a repeated item in the show -- could easily be layered with a sharp white shirt under a tight fitting jacket, however, as a unique vest alternative.

The collection's old-school forward-pleated sweatpants – repeated from last season – seemed more appropriate now, and while a gorgeous black-and-white checkered set stood out as a more classic outfit, it was still in line with the sober mood of the show.

With an extremely sharp vision, a showroom examination will reveal if the production quality has matured and lives up to the designer's obviously high goals. However, there is no doubt that this is a strong collection, and judging from its overall mood, little extra pockets, and sharply cut shoulders, it will definitely appeal to a dedicated crowd.

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