

Reporter: A Question Of Style



Celebrity stylist Karen Ng answers your fashion queries.

Q Checks are classic and timeless. But how can I carry them off if I'm not as tall as a model? — Peter

A Checks — and any other busy pattern, for that matter — do tend to create the illusion of a wider girth. But that doesn't mean only whippet-thin models can wear checks with chutzpah. Us mere mortals can try a more subtle approach to checks by picking prints in similar shades to the fabric's base colour. Also, wear trousers or even a waistcoat in the same colour as your checked shirt to elongate your entire frame. Draping a long, skinny scarf over the ensemble may also help to lengthen the body. Another trick is to choose smaller checks rather than a boxier Madras print. The latter could cause you to look bulkier than you really are. If you're afraid of looking like a crazed Scot in all-out tartan, look for separates or accessories embellished with checks — like a shirt with a tartan trim. ■

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