

A full-page photograph of Vogue Williams, a woman with long, wavy blonde hair, smiling and posing dynamically. She is wearing a grey, short-sleeved, high-necked tunic dress and light-colored, strappy high-heeled sandals. She is holding a large pink balloon in her right hand. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

Flying high

DJ, model, TV presenter and general all-round fabulous Vogue Williams on why 2016 is set to be her best year yet

V By Very Cap
Sleeve Fine Knit
Tunic Dress,
6WGF, £18
Shoe Box Feathers
Ghillie Tie Block
Heel Tassel Sandals,
6TCHJ, £30
Ted Baker Cluster
Stud Earrings,
6T6NH, £30

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IT'S THE LITTLE THINGS THAT ARE THE MOST ROMANTIC'

When we say Vogue Williams is one of the nicest people we've ever met, you'd be forgiven for thinking we're exaggerating. But we promise you it's not an overstatement. Walking into the studio with her pet pooch Winston hanging off one arm and his dog bed and toys bundled under the other, the 30 year old throws all the normal celebrity airs and graces out the window and welcomes the *Very.co.uk* team as though we've been friends forever.

Vogue has been a familiar face on the fame scene for a while now. In 2010, she took Irish TV by storm in *Fade Street*, their version of *The Hills*. The following year, she met former *Westlife* singer Brian McFadden – who she went on to marry in 2012 in the romantic city of Florence, Italy.

The couple based themselves in Australia, where she starred in their version of *Dancing*

With The Stars. Last year on *Bear Grylls: Mission Survive*, Vogue won the show – and our hearts – proving that she's so much more than just a pretty face. Now, with her diary filling up with TV shows, DJ bookings and exciting projects, 2016 is set to be a big year for the star...

HOW HAVE YOU BEEN, VOGUE?

Really good thanks – super busy! Usually you might get January off because it's normally quiet, but I had a really crazy month – not that I'm complaining. I've really loved it. It's been a great start to 2016.

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING?

I was working on a TV show that has just finished in Ireland called *Wild Girls*. I've also just heard that it might be coming over to the UK as well this year, so

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V By Very Trapeze Shirt, **6RGNE**, £27
Johnny Loves Rosie Sonya Earrings, **6V7HH**, £26 (three pack)

OPPOSITE
V By Very Frill Detail Crew Neck Jumper, **6RL3Q**, £22
French Connection Atlantic Pu Skirt, **6TU9P**, £75
River Island Festival Style Front & Back Earrings, **6XL4M**, £8

I'm super excited about that! It got amazing reviews from some of the toughest TV critics at home and that was insane. That was a big highlight for me. I'll start shooting the new one in the next few months.

HOW WAS VALENTINE'S DAY? WAS IT TOUGH AFTER YOUR SPLIT FROM YOUR HUSBAND BRIAN MCFADDEN?

When me and Brian were together we didn't really do much for Valentine's Day anyway. And, we said that this year if he wasn't doing anything and I wasn't doing anything, then we'd probably sit in, get a takeaway and do nothing together. I'd never go to a restaurant on Valentine's Day anyway because I feel like you're always rushed and ripped off. It's horrible, I hate it! It's nice for people when you're first in a relationship, but I don't really enjoy it.

WHAT'S THE MOST ROMANTIC THING SOMEBODY HAS DONE FOR YOU?

Lots of lovely things, but it's the little things that I think are the most romantic... like when you're really tired and you go home and somebody has ordered a takeaway so you don't have to cook, and there's flowers out and a bath has been run. Brian would always get me really thoughtful presents. Even this year, he got me a scooter because I live somewhere now where it would be easier for me to get around on one. But being romantic is about small but meaningful gestures.

WITH ALL THESE BALLOONS, WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO FLOAT AWAY WITH?

A Leonardo DiCaprio and Tom Hardy sandwich with David Gandy hanging off my foot. And, of course, Winston would have to come with us because he's my number one!

IT'S A LEAP YEAR. WOULD YOU EVER PROPOSE TO SOMEONE?

No, I don't think so. I'm a bit of a traditional girl and I would prefer if somebody asked me to marry them. But that's not to say I don't think other girls should go for it – all power to you for doing it!

YOU LOVE YOUR CLOTHES. WHAT'S YOUR FAVE OUTFIT AT THE MOMENT?

For some reason I'm wearing lots of black – everything is black. It's such an easy colour to wear and you know if you wear black on black on black it's going to match, so it's all fine. Faux-fur jackets are a big fave as well at the moment.

WHAT'S YOUR FEEL-GOOD OUTFIT?

Probably my gym gear if I'm honest. Whenever I work at home, I just sit in my gym gear and it's so comfy. I really love adidas and Nike.

DO YOU ACTUALLY GO TO THE GYM?

[Laughs.] Yes, I do – about five or six times a week. I like a class or a personal training session as well. Virgin Active does this great class called The Grid and it's 30 minutes of exercise and that's perfect. I like to go in the mornings.



HAVE YOU ALWAYS LOVED FASHION?

Yes, always. My mum used to dress me and my sister the same. Then, when I was about seven she told us we could start choosing our own outfits if we wanted, so I was off dressing myself. Now, me and my mum send each other pictures of outfits and ask each other if we should get them.

WHO IS YOUR STYLE ICON?

I love Kate Bosworth and Olivia Palermo – they always look unreal! Diane Kruger as well. The way they put outfits together is just a dream.

WHAT WAS THE FIRST FASHION OUTFIT THAT YOU BOUGHT WITH YOUR OWN MONEY?

Oh, I remember this so well! I got my first job and I bought this pair of Miss Sixty jeans that were slightly baggy and they had all the pockets on them. They were so cool.

DO YOU SHOP ONLINE MUCH?

I love shopping and I do a lot of online shopping. I know what I like and I can order it and try it on and if it's no good I can just send it back – it's so easy.

WHAT'S THE HARDEST THING FOR YOU TO BUY?

Bras. Do you know I've been wearing the wrong sized bra for so long? I went to get measured and I was a 34B before, but I'm actually a 30D. All that time I was wearing bras that were practically coming out of my head they were so far up my back.

WHAT'S YOUR BIGGEST WEAKNESS?

Shoes! I was reading *Very* magazine with Michelle Keegan on the front and I was going through marking all the shoes that I loved.

ARE YOU A HIGH HEEL GIRL?

I love high heels and if I'm working or going to an event, I'll always wear heels. But if not, I wear runners – I've got so many pairs.

DO YOU LOVE A SPLURGE?

Oh, yes. I do splurge rather often and then I go on a shopping ban. My friend James is just as bad as me. We ring each other and ask if we're about to spend too much on something and the other one will always make it OK to buy it. There's always an excuse from one of us to make it alright!

V By Very High Neck Tea Dress, **6TL3C**, £39
Shoe Box Venice Mini Platform Minimal Sandals, **6HK39**, £25

WHAT'S YOUR BEST EXCUSE?

I always say: "But you'll have that forever and it is a timeless piece!"

GOOD REASONING! WHAT ARE YOUR FASHION MUST-HAVES?

A good pair of leather trousers, and I do love a denim shirt. Nice underwear is important too, especially if you're wearing a nice girlie blouse that's open a little bit. Showing a little bit of your lacy bra can look really nice.

WHAT DO YOU HAVE TOO MANY OF?

Shoes and coats. I can't stop myself with coats, I must have over 100 of them. A coat can transform an outfit, and I have plenty in my apartment in Dublin and a fair few in my London flat too. In my head I don't have that many, but actually when I think about exactly how many there is between my houses, then it's a lot! But I love them and I'm going to keep adding to them.

IS THERE ANYTHING MISSING FROM YOUR WARDROBE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DESIGN?

A good fitting pair of leather trousers. I have a fair few pairs, but the last expensive ones I bought ripped in two places and they can't be fixed. There are some nice ones on *Very Exclusive* that I've got my eye on.

WHAT ARE YOUR FAVOURITE BEAUTY LOOKS?

I love my make-up today – contouring that looks really natural. I prefer to go natural because if you overload the eye make-up sometimes you can end up looking older. I love a dewy, glowing base, then bronze eye make-up – but not too much. The Victoria's Secret look is how everybody should be going. Undone, gorgeous!

WHAT'S THE ONE BEAUTY PRODUCT YOU CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT?

I'm a bit obsessed with Crème De La Mer at the moment. I treated myself to some of that as a Christmas present to myself. It's everything it says and more! My other treat is getting HD Brows done. It makes such a difference to my face.

WHAT'S YOUR BEAUTY REGIME?

I'm quite chilled out really. I like to exfoliate a few times a week, and I might put a face mask on once a week, if I feel like it. There's a really great L'Occitane foam cleanser that I got recently, so I use that too. Then, Crème De La Mer after that. I also get a collagen whey facial – that is amazing!

WHAT ARE THE THREE THINGS THAT MAKE YOU FEEL HAPPY?

My dog, family and friends.

■ *Vogue* is judging at Cheltenham Ladies' Day festival on 16 March and Epsom Downs' Most Stylish Lady on 3 June. She is also the face of The Caravan Club and has a new TV show out later this year



Miss Selfridge
Chevron Lace
Pencil Dress,
6NYQW, £60