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# Booting Up

**THERE'S SOMETHING BOTH** feminine and powerful about tall boots—and we're seeing a lot of them around town this season. While a shorter boot can chop the leg off in the wrong place, knee-highs elongate and make the wearer look taller. Boots have existed in the fashion world since the 1960s. Before then, women only wore boots in bad weather or for rugged activities, not to make a fashion statement. Thank goodness that's changed. Today, as well as being practical in cold conditions, tall boots give women who wear them an assertive confidence and add a sexy edge to a winter closet. —*Andrea Maria Sims*

