

1960's Fashion was much like the 1920's in how revolutionary it was. It started out as conservative as the the 1950's were and ended in the most liberal way.

From Jackie Kennedy's perfectly tailored suits and pill-box hats, to micro mini skirts and the hippie movement.



### Keeping the Status Quo-Early 1960's

Jackie Kennedy's style was clean, simple, well fitted, with perfectly matched accessories. She wore dresses without collars and jackets that buttoned only with one large top button. She wore sensible low heel shoes (although many women still preferred high heels). She was the last woman to wear hats, a pillbox hat, as a necessary fashion.

Jackie O' put a lot of care into her look, and women in the USA and abroad copied her style with enthusiasm. Sadly, after her husband's assassination, Jackie was no longer in the public eye. Women had to find a new 1960s fashion idol to be inspired by.





## Marilyn Monroe









#### **Return to Youth**

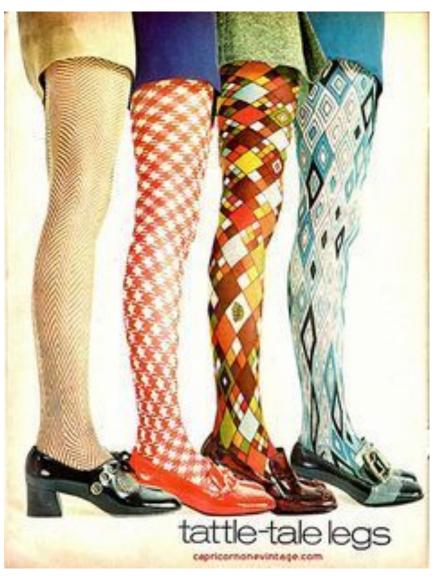
Oversize collars, bows, and delicate trim miniaturized women and made them appear smaller. Shapeless **mini dresses** de-emphasized a woman's natural form. Kitten heel pumps, Mary Jane strap shoes and flat sneakers. The babydoll look.

After growing up in the '50s as "little adults" the youth embraced their fond early childhood memories and fashions.

Half the American population is under 25 during the 1960's



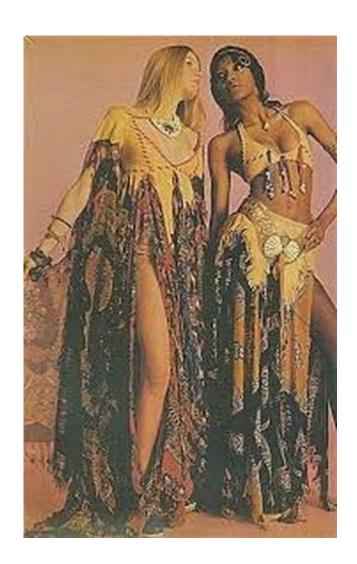


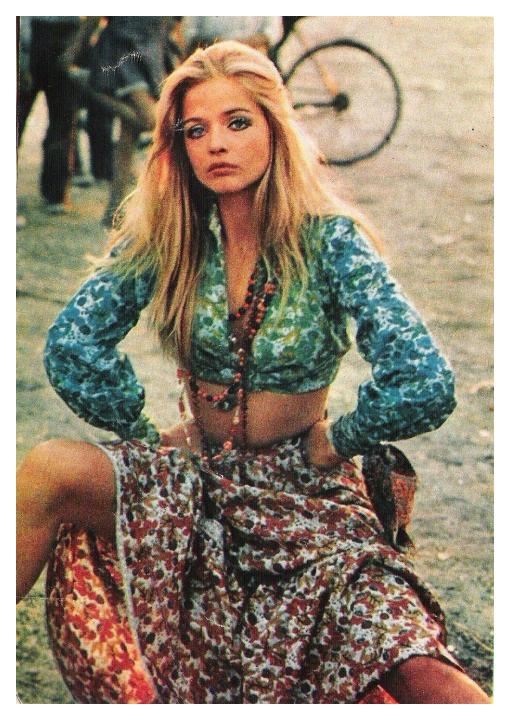


### **Hippie Movement- Late 1960's**

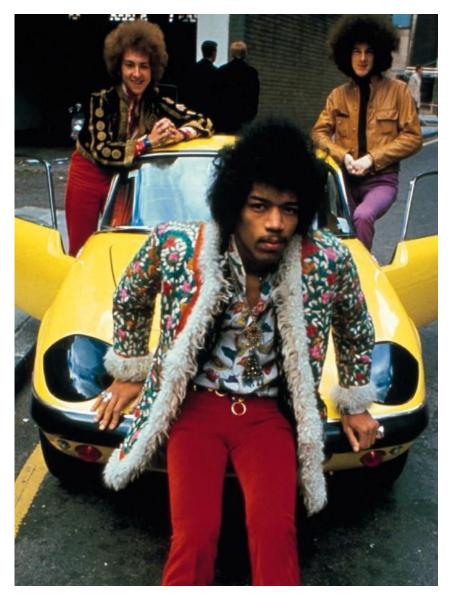
The Vietnam War resulted in the hippie movement

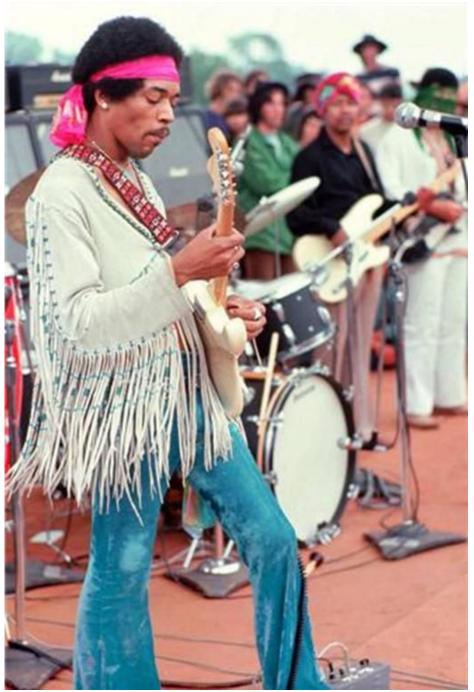
- Psychedelic, loose, natural and the romantic.
  No real rules.
- The Counterculture Movement was anti-war and promoted peace and an acceptance of alternative lifestyles.
- The rise in psychedelic drug use was a direct result of the desire for escapism during these times.
- This affected fashion through the shift towards tie-dye, and the bright patterns.
   Fashion became loose and casual.
- Clothes were of extreme proportions. Hats were big and floppy, vests hung down to the knee and coats to the floor.
- "Ethnic details" beading, embroidery etc











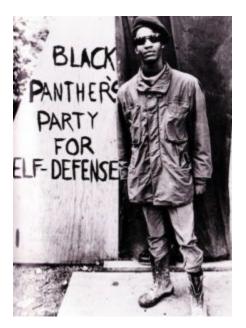








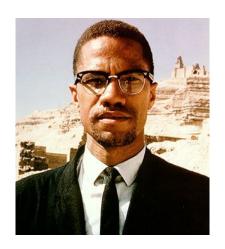
# Civil Rights Movement in Fashion





**Black Panthers** 

The Black Panther Party (BPP), originally the Black Panther Partyfor Self-Defense, was a political organization founded by Bobby Seale and Huey Newton in October 1966

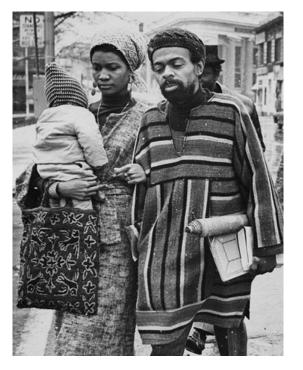






#### <u>Dashiki</u>

The dashiki is a colorful garment for women and men worn mostly in West Africa. It covers the top half of the body. It has formal and informal versions and varies from simple draped clothing to fully tailored suits.





It was a symbol of affirmation, it stood for "black is beautiful," and signaled a return to African roots, and insistence on full rights in American society













# Men's Fashion







So, the 1960s had 3 main fashion looks that spanned the decade and reflected the social attitudes of the time.

Early 60s, continued Dior's "New Look" and the boxy slim silhouette.



Mid- 60s The mini skirt! Youth Culture



Late 1960s floating, Romantic, loose fitting Hippie style

