



DEBRA MESSING



Then and Now!

The Secrets of Be

Buh-bye, girl-around aet-ups! With some key changes, the

IT'S OFFICIAL: WITH HER FRONT-ROW presence at New York City's Fashion Week, Beyoncé has arrived as the go-to fashion girl. "She's more glamorous than she's ever been. Designers are taking notice," star stylist Danna Weiss tells *U.S.* The details:

■ **How her style has changed** "Now she chooses more sophisticated clothes with simple lines that work on her curvaceous body,"

Beyoncé's mom and stylist, Tina Knowles, tells *U.S.* "She shies away from the patterned styles she did [with Destiny's Child]."

■ **Her favorite designers** Versace, Dolce & Gabbana and Badgley Mischka (the latter lent her gowns for three recent events).

■ **Her inspirations** Motown style used to be her mantra, but now the singer-actress



THEN

"There are certain things that I look back at and I'm like, 'Oh my God, what did I have on?'" says Beyoncé (pictured here in July 2002).

The Old Beyoncé



BRIGHT FRIGHT
The original version was sold on the market, but this one in the can.

TROOP OOPS!
Beyoncé's mom got real Cadet School uniforms and had them altered for Destiny's Child.

Bite 'em, caught! Beyoncé (in London in 1997 with Destiny's Child) looking extra fierce in...

Beyoncé had yellow hair in 2005, but no longer. As for mom, Tina Knowles says "She doesn't...

My mom! Sledge here, it's a very talk on a Cadet School uniform. Beyoncé (in 2001) was on the...

Yoncé's Makeover

diva has finally found her fashion destiny **BY MORGAN GOLDBERG**

looks to Old Hollywood. "Grace Kelly and Diahann Carroll inspire us," says Knowles.

■ **Her beauty update** "Beyoncé wants to look more natural and sexy now," says make-up artist Mally Roncal, who blends Nars the Multiple in Copacabana (\$35; sephora.com) on her cheeks for a dewy look. Her curly hair is now lighter and sleeker. Hairstylist Kimberly Kimble tells *U.S.*, "It's hot, high fashion."

PLUS How She Slimmed Down

While recording her album *Dangerously In Love*, Beyoncé got into top shape.

- "I ran up to six miles a day," the five-foot-six singer tells *U.S.* "I lost most of the weight dancing. I'm leaner now."
- Her new, healthier menu: Chicken, fish, vegetables and tons of water.

The New and Improved Beyoncé



Black and white: So right! Beyoncé scored in a Roberto Cavalli gown in May 2003. Says Knowles, "This was my favorite."



Beyoncé took a bright turn in a Gianfranco Ferré top and jacket during New York City's Fashion Week on September 12.



GET HER LOOK!

Beyoncé in a Badgley Mischka gown (\$8,200; 800-796-0903).

"A Grace Kelly photo in *Life* magazine inspired Beyoncé's look [in L.A. on September 17]," says Knowles.



NOW

Beyoncé dazzled in Versace at the MTV Movie Awards in Los Angeles on May 31.