

# THE CATWALK FILES

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## Wanderlust

The Seventies gypsy queen is still spring's most romantic figure

**Y**ves Saint Laurent's gypsy look of 1977 – the off-the-shoulder peasant smock, the full skirt with embroidered detailing, and the cascading ruffles – was just as distinctive and widely worn as *Le Smoking*. Shot by Lothar Schmid for *Vogue*'s June 1977 issue, Yves Saint Laurent's exotic wanderer wore an update of the Spanish Flamenco dress for

the bohemian enclaves of Paris and beyond.

This season, the gypsy returned from her nomadic travels, reappearing at the Yves Saint Laurent homestead in tiny leather shorts, and dresses speckled with cherries and strawberries. She also drifted down the runways at Etro, Dolce & Gabbana and Chanel, where the classic gypsy clog also made a comeback. Embrace the wanderlust – gather up your skirts and join the Romany trail.



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