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Vivien Koh

A gamine go-getter, this 39-year-old chief designer at jewellery house DeGem counts exercise as the definer of yummy mummyhood.

The first thing you do in the morning?

Take a deep breath of fresh air and tell myself that this day will be a great day.

When are you happiest?

As a visual person, it'd have to be going through memories via photographs.

Your dream job?

Chief designer for a premium brand known for its design and quality. Oh, that's right, I already have it!

A favourite journey?

Camping through Europe for a month with people from all over the globe, realising the world is indeed a small place.

Favourite scent?

Dalissime by Salvador Dali.

Essential style pieces?

My collection of rings for DeGem. I especially love the latest Dusk & Dawn collection; the pieces will take you anywhere in style.

"I painted this wall once when I felt that my home needed some pizzazz."

"Precious stones are wonderful to work with, but I adore tribal designs, too – they're quirky."

Trademark accessory?

Long, dangly earrings. And smoky quartz is all the rage in Europe now.

Most extravagant buys?

Cast-iron wall decorative items picked up in Prague.

What would you never throw away?

Jewellery design sketches. Good design never goes out of style – it's cyclical.

Most prized possession?

A handcrafted Fabergé pendant.

Style icon?

Madonna; she never fails to make a statement at every turn.

An album that reminds you of someone you love?

The Best of Chicago.

A favourite old movie?

Great Expectations for its baroque charm.

On your bedstand?

Parenting books.

Great place for R&R?

Ku De Ta, Bali; and always the beach, the beach, the beach!

Shopping haven?

Hong Kong, of course.

A favourite city?

Venice, Italy; it's the source of inspiration for my latest collections.

What makes you laugh?

Children.

What can't you live without?

Exercise.

A moment in life when you knew you had grown up?

When my son first said "mummy".

What's sexy?

Hidden tattoos, or Keanu Reeves in *Point Break*. Preferably both.

You have your eye on ...?

The BMW E93.

How will you be remembered?

As a trendsetter. ■



"Salvador Dali is one of my favourite artists, so the bottle had me sold right away."

"Jackets dress up jeans perfectly, I'm pretty laid-back when it comes to clothes."



"A family getaway to the sea is an annual affair."



"This limited-edition Fabergé ladybird pendant will be a gift to my children someday."



"Every girl needs a satin clutch – this one in champagne gold from Coach is just the thing for an evening out."

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