

Jessica Stam

Jessica Stam was born in Kincardine, Ontario. She was raised on the family farm, the only girl in a family of seven children. At a Canadian amusement park, a talent scout noticed something special and unique about Jessica's "look" and approached her to ask if she had ever considered modeling. Jessica decided to give it a try and was immediately signed by a local modeling agency.

However, it was **Steven Meisel** who gave Jessica her big break when he shot her for two **Italian Vogue** covers for the coveted September issue. He also shot her exclusively as the new face of **Valentino's** Fall/Winter 2003 campaign. Since then, Jessica has appeared in advertisements for **Miu Miu, Marc Jacobs, Dolce & Gabbana, Dior, DKNY, Atsuro Tayama, H&M, Miss Sixty, Roberto Cavalli, Bulgari, Burberry, Kenzo, BCBG, Gap, Cerruti, Lanvin**, and two seasons in a row of **Prada**. She is also the face of **Anna Sui's** fragrance "Flight of Fancy," and **DKNY's** fragrance "Delicious Night". She can currently be seen in the Fall Winter 2008 advertisements for **Dolce & Gabbana, Bulgari, and Emporio Armani**.

In the short time that Jessica has been modeling, she has already had the opportunity to work with such noted photographers as **Irving Penn, Mario Testino, Peter Lindbergh, Craig McDean, David Sims, Paolo Roversi, Inez & Vinoodh, Vincent Peters, Juergen Teller, Thomas Schenk, Michel Comte, Glen Luchford, Terry Richardson, Nick Knight, Richard Burbridge, Mickael Jansson, Tom Munro, Carter Smith, Satoshi, and Mert & Marcus**.

Jessica has already established herself as one of Fashion's biggest international stars. She has been the inspiration to numerous articles regarding the new wave of Canadian "it"-girls. Top fashion magazines including **Vogue** (American, Italian, French, British, Japanese, Chinese) **W, Harper's Bazaar, Numero, W, V, and Another** all feature Jessica on a regular basis. She has appeared on the cover of **Italian Vogue** an astonishing total of six times.

Jessica Stam is consistently ranked as one of the industry's top models. She currently lives in New York City's East Village, is a certified lifeguard, Scuba diver, and loves to keep active by playing sports.