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I must be the only person who does not own or want to wear jeans

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It's not because I'm old. I haven't owned a pair since 1975. That's when the 60s officially ended for me. At that point I was a mother of 3.

So many articles and blogs talk about getting back into those "skinny" jeans. I don't covet any jeans, skinny, fat or in between. I think I wore them because everyone did. I never found them particularly comfortable although they were sturdy. Then designer jeans appeared on the scene and the price skyrocketed. Perhaps that had an effect on my frugal mind.

I don't object to form fitting clothes. I do wear spandex. Can't get much tighter than that, but it moves with me, no matter what I'm doing. My jeans never did that no matter what brand, style or size I bought.

I saved a lot of my "vintage" clothes. I could outfit the cast of "Hair" or maybe even "Grease"

I remember one pair of jeans in particular. They may still be in a box somewhere. Maybe I'll look for them. As I remember, they were covered with "nailheads." I thought I looked tough. I wonder if I ever scratched any furniture while wearing them.

I think I'll just consider this blog an addition to my "why I'm an oddball" series.

Good luck finding whatever style of clothes fits your personality. It's your body after all.

Note: I do believe in dressing appropriately for the occasion. I don't show up at a wedding in my spandex. Being age appropriate is important too. I know I'll never hear "Gee, those booty shorts look great on you, Grandma"

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**LINDAKAY228**

I love my jeans but the jeans I have now are so different than what I wore as a teen when I was in my cowgirl phase and we wore jeans ha ha. The ones now are a stretchy material I buy and I find the cheap ones too at Walmart or Ross or somewhere. Not paying big amounts and definitely not paying for jeans with holes in them on purpose! But I don't try to get anyone else to wear what I do either. I remember well the ones that didn't stretch and weren't that comfortable either!

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**MJZHERE**

So here the two of us in so many ways alike, split paths. I have worn jeans my whole life if they are appropriate. I don't really like the stretchy kind they have now though. I think it also has to do with my being frugal - they are tough and uphold motorcycle riding, atv s, my outside work, and hide the dirt and stains.

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**HOLLYM48**

You are too funny! I grew up wearing jeans and loved getting my cousins hand me downs because they wore levi's and that was the only time I got them was when they were done with them. For me, I love jeans but it is all about comfort and if you have clothes that make you feel



good and look good, then good for you. It is all about being comfortable in our own skin!

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**SWEDE_SU**

i have to admit that when i first hit goal in 2012 the first thing i did was go out and buy skinny jeans. and i have another pair of jeans that i had bought a few years earlier when my weight was low. but the fact is that they both may wind up in the giveaway pile soon - each time i put one of them on, i take it off again, because it just isn't comfortable!

ps - you aren't and oddball, at least no more so than i am!

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**MARYJEANSL**

I pretty much gave up jeans when I got fat. I didn't find them comfortable nor flattering. I am much bigger on comfort than I ever was or could be on style, so I preferred (generally still do) elastic-waist pants. As dreadful as I'm sure that sounds to a lot of people, I hasten to add that I wear untucked shirts - always! - and the elastic never shows. Just about a year ago, I did buy some denim capri pants that I like because they are comfortable and because one can wear blue denim with just about any color shirt. I also inherited (I use the word very loosely) a pair of elastic-waist blue jeans that were way too big for my daughter, who, because of her disability and her unusual build, simply must wear elastic-waist pants. Any non elastic-waist pants fall off her hips in a most embarrassing fashion.

I wear a lot of sweat pants - definitely not flattering, but so, so comfortable.

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**PHEBESS**

LOL at the booty shorts on Grandma!

I like jeans, but I alternate between wide leg (think bellbottom but that wide all the way up to the hip), or slim-fit jeans - not skinny lie-down-to-zip jeans, but fitted with straight slim legs. Only for cold weather - but one pair of jeans can go for a month of travel with just about any top, and keep me warm. Maybe with leggings underneath if it's super cold out.

But hey, the point of fashion is to flatter each body and represent your personality and style. If that isn't jeans, there are all kinds of other options. So not to worry!

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**ONEKIDSMOM**

Funny how we come to recognition of what suits us at different points in life. Back when I was heavy, jeans provided structure and support, holding my bulk in. Today, jeans are more comfy than some clothing, but less so than other kinds of clothes. So jeans are in my repertoire, but they ceased being a preference when I discovered I could move better in stretch pants! So I go to work in "perfect fit" pants that are NOT jeans so my break walks are more effective and comfy!



Here's to finding our own style, and being comfortable IN that style.

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**CD14034154**

Brooklyn,



"Gee, those booty shorts look great on you, Grandma"

I did do skinny jeans when I got out of the hospital and into rehab, as it controlled the swelling in my leg, that I had surgery on. I knew it would never get bigger than the jean, and even though it hurt like a bad boy, I wanted DESPERATELY to keep the swelling down.

Then I went to boot cut, as the leg was doing better and I didn't like the skinny jeans. As of now, I'm not in any jeans at all! In fact I'm not in any long pants at all, because of swelling, and I'm not able to get them up and the blisters on my leg don't like the long pants either. All I'm wearing now are shorts, and they're not booty shorts, than GOD!!!!

Blessings!

- Nancy Jeann -
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1STBUCKETITEM

No, you are not "the only person who does not own or want to wear jeans."

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Me too!

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SUBMOM2

This is funny!

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It's liberating when we know our style. I'll let you know when I find mine.

2408 days ago



DR1939

Most jeans have some stretch nowadays and are much more comfortable than the ones from the 60s. Also there are lots of different styles so it is easy to get a comfortable fit. I'm 75 and wear skinny jeans. My legs are small in proportion to my waist and the skinny jeans fit my legs like regular jeans fit others. I also wear low-rise because I am short and petites don't fit right. The regular-size low-rise are close to a regular waist. All of these choices were not available the last time you wore jeans.

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MIRAGE727

I feel ya! I used to love jeans. Now, here in Tampa Bay, I get 'tude when I have to wear ANY long pants!



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WILSONWR

I like jeans because I work outside a lot and they hold up to the abuse. I can't say I've really tried spandex...

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CD5500762



(i don't have a pair either - i never found jeans that comfortable)

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MISCHAKEO

I do like stretchy jeans. Like you say we all have our own styles and can appreciate individual choice. I am an oddball with my fixation on bright workout shoes!

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WELLBEING67

Levi's girl here. I live in jeans. Probably because jeans can handle the lifestyle. They offer protection from the roughness of hay bales carried against the legs and hoisted on the thighs. They don't wear out at the knees as quickly when scrubbing floors or playing on the floor with kids

and dogs. Ironically, I can only wear men's jeans (31 X 34) because of my "apple" shape.

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WUMPASTAR

You know if you got those stud-covered jeans right now they'd really be back in style. Fashion is a circle. :P personally I like wearing jeans, maybe because the ones I have are really comfortable and look good on me. Also I can only wear them on weekends since I work in an office, so even more appealing!

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GINIEMIE

Okay throughout my life I'd try to wear jeans but never found the perfect pair. My younger sister Viette decided that I needed a pair when I visited her in New Mexico. I had a three month old baby and was NOT happy about the idea of trying on clothes that I knew I would struggle with, but my persuasive sister conned me into it and I bought a pair, when I got back home I boxed them.

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Before moving to the south I tried them on and decided to donate them. Recently my DIL gave me two pairs of jeans she out grew, I tried them on, thinking I'll never wear these, but they had spandex in them and the waist actually fit with out that huge gap that shows the "CRACK". I now wear them, but still prefer slacks. We are all weird or should I have say have different preferences but that is what makes the world go round. Thanks, I'm not sure you meant to but you sure gave me something to smile about.



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GARDENCHRIS

i live in jeans..... to each his own.

2408 days ago

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CD4114015

GREAT blog! And in so many ways I am an "oddball" with you...though I LOVE jeans. But that is about the only thing about me that "goes along with popular attire" and, yes, I am frugal too!



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MILLEDGE2

I do wear jeans (2% spandex makes a world of difference, both in comfort and in neatness), but NOT those "skinny" jeans which make booties look awful, no matter how slim a person is. AND almost no one I see wearing them could be considered to be slim! I often hear a voice in my head saying to other people "just because someone makes that garment and you can squeeze yourself into it does NOT mean it's a good idea for you to wear it!"

However, I don't wear leggings because they really do one a disservice when viewed from the rear!

Here's to our having the good sense to look nice and neat and comfortable, no matter what the magazines are trying to push every season!

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TORTOISE110

The good thing about being a grown up is being able to make our own choices!

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