

Channel: Fashion
Title: *Jolie-laide*

Body Title: The Oxford Shoe Is Skipping Class

Text: *Jolie-laide* is an aesthetic concept roughly translatable from the French as a “charming unsightliness” or a “pleasing ugliness.” (We might say, “*Good-Weird.*”) Well, The *jolie-laide* shoe of the moment is the Oxford shoe. That’s b/c Oxfords, your kind of tromping-around-the-moors walking shoe or Ivy-League-class snooze-fest slipper have taken on heels. The “stacks” aren’t just for the library any more! We’re talking about a studious sex appeal to replace the heavy rimmed frames with a low-cut blouse. These shoes say, “Don’t blame me if what you just said could be taken as a double entendre.”

Poll: Your thoughts on Oxfords dressed up
A: Ugly
B: Pretty
C: Pretty damn ugly

