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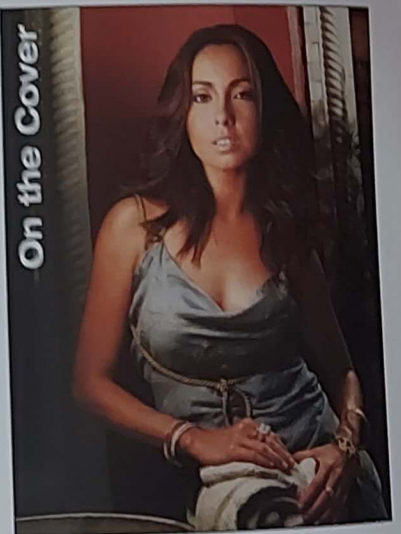
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Hindy Weber-Tantoco unleashes Culte Femme 2005's "MEGA Collection," an electrifying and visionary statement of Bollywood AND nautical. Photographed by Mark Nicdao. Hair and makeup by Chechel Joson for Propaganda. Hazy blue silk chiffon blouse with cord straps and brass ring detail, white A-line corduroy shorts, both by Culte Femme; gold bangle with brown diamonds, rubies, and enamel from the Giraffe Collection by Roberto Coin, bangles with diamonds, dia-sempre and rubies, sand-finished rings with diamonds and rubies, from the Classica Collection by Roberto Coin. Story on page 106. Special thanks to Dennis and Tessa Valdes. For shopping details, see Store Information.

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This page Black tank top with bird design by Groovy Anne at Ishq, denim bolero with brocade and feather collar by Ferdie Abuel, ecru duchesse satin tuxedo pants with black sash by JC Buendia, white retro sunglasses (P450) at Cinderella. *Previous spread* Peacock gown and jade necklace by Jun Escario, triple strand Shine Murano necklace by Sent Jewelry

Green and black sheath
with dyed rooster
feathers by Mel Vergel de
Dios, green tie strap
pumps by Lila Almario





Yellow Thai silk cropped jacket with ostrich and rooster feather cuff by Mel Vergel de Dios, transparent Manhattan Murano necklaces by Sent Jewelry, denim jeans with metallic wash (P4500) by Bebe at Souk, yellow beaded Kussa slippers (P2500) by Genn Ang

fowl language

Peacock, ostrich, parrot and swan-inspired outfits strutted down international ramps, as big name labels took a fashion moment for flights of fancy. Heed the bird call and mix playful plumage into your wardrobe this season



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STYLED BY KITTY ESPIRITU, ASSISTED BY MAUREEN DISINI; MODEL: RIA BOLIVAR (SAGA); SHOT AT PENINSULA DE PUNTA FUEGO
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