

Tip #8



ABOVE SIZE 10

Shoe size in the double digits? Black (and other dark shades) have the same effect below the ankles as above. Another visual shrinker: a substantial vamp (the upper part of the shoe). The less skin that shows, the daintier your feet will appear.



Loft color-block heels, \$89.50, loft.com

MICHAEL Michael Kors sport mesh sandals, \$165, 866-709-5677 for stores

Charles David leather wedges, \$275, charlesdavid.com

CANKLES

Ankle-cinching wraparound straps are the enemy—they'll make your legs look stubby. Your BFs? Slingbacks, slip-on styles like mules, or d'Orsays (the sides of the shoes are cut away, revealing the arches).



Cocobelle leather thongs, \$92, shopbop.com

Mark + James by Badgley Mischka nylon and raffia wedges, \$245, zappos.com

Joe's fabric sandals, \$99, amazon.com

WIDE FEET

Thick straps that fit comfortably across your feet (they shouldn't constrict or pinch) break up the girth. High-coverage sides and shoe styles that angle up toward the ankles help elongate.



BCBGeneration wood and leather platform sandals, \$89, bcbk.com

Joe's suede color-block sandals, \$175, amazon.com

Blonde Ambition pony-hair sandals, \$275, at DNA Footwear, 688-055-7463

LONG TOES

If your five little piggies are accustomed to living on the edge, standard thong sandals only underscore their length. Get the opposite effect with peep-toe styles, toe-ring details, or straps that extend across the toes.



Dolce Vita suede and leather toe-ring sandals, \$124.50, dolcevita.com

M.E. suede ankle-strap platforms, \$109, miaeshoes.com

L.A.M.B. suede strappy sandals, \$225, zappos.com

BELOW SIZE 6

While there's nothing wrong with tiny feet, they can distort your proportions (and look even more Lilliputian if you're tall). Eye-catchers like gemstones, graphic prints, and metallic finishes lend gravitas.



MIA ornamental-stone sandals, \$59, amazon.com

Jean-Michel Cazabat graphic platform wedges, \$265, 646-669-8508

Boutique 9 metal snake thongs, \$130, ninewest.com

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