

"W's new colors are rich and exotic, where on Earth did they find those great shades?" Monique Montplaisir, Rep. European Cosmetic Society

## Shades of success, prologue.

he excitement generated by the launch of her latest fragrance. coupled with the hours spent developing her most recent spring collection, had taken their toll on Véronique. As a result, her usually high enthusiasm and creativity levels were at an all time low and a long. rejuvenating vacation was definitely in order.

Late one afternoon, following another hectic day at W, Véronique's mind began wandering to a distant island retreat. Adèle had often raved about, located off the shores of French Guiana. Soon enough, without thinking twice, Véronique set off to what would soon become her own private

paradise!

As she alighted from the W's corporate jet, Véronique couldn't help but gasp in awe at the beauty unfolding before her eyes. She felt honored that Adèle had insisted on sharing this marvelous secret island with her. Véronique couldn't wait to explore this jewel in the ocean, bask in the sun and allow the energy of this place to engulf her in a gossamer blanket of ecstasy!

A few days later, as Véronique was touring one of the island's many luxurious cascades, she stumbled across the most exquisite purple orchid she had ever seen! Of course, her renowned flaic immediately kicked in and the Mauve Absolue collection was born! Véronique couldn't wait to get back to her office in Paris and start all over again... seems like nid habits really do die hard!



Shades of success, prologue (suite)

As soon as she got off the phone, Adèle realized that Véronique's overexcited tone meant that a surprise visit to the island of her childhood was in the cards for that day.... Even though she realized how crazy planning this impromptu chic escape would be, she really didn't Adèle couldn't wait to that see. wonderful orchid Véronique had

the phone. Of course, she could have stayed in Paris and waited for her friend to return with the bloom, but after all, wasn't she allowed a trip to the gardens of Eden as well?

Much later that day, a little weary from the jaunt, all of Adèle's stress ebbed as she felt a sudden rush of wellbeing overtake her as the most wonderful of sights unraveled once more in front of her eyes. This last minute antic with Véronique to the shores of this most exotic paradise would soon become one of Adèle's most treasured memories.







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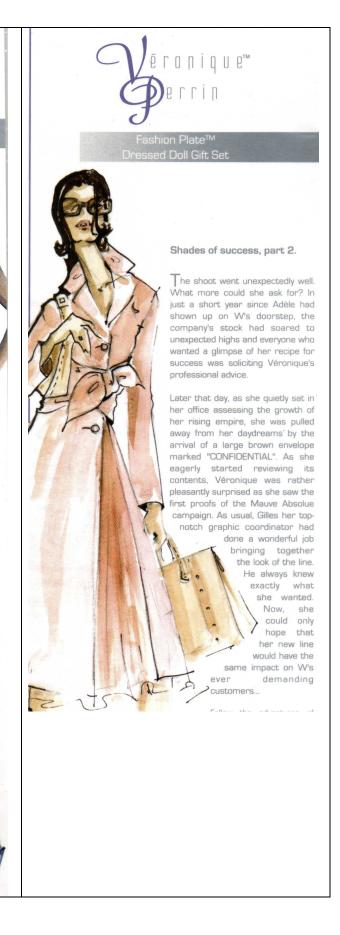
## Shades of success, Part 1

The loud noise of the ringing phone slowly got her out of bed. Adèle woke up that morning with a splitting headache, a direct result of the previous evening's post fashion show party she attended. As she got up to answer, she was blinded by a sun that was already high in the sky and her heart stopped as she realized that it was almost noon already. In the fogginess of her mind, the Mauve Absolue photo shoot that was scheduled at one o'clock that very day came back to her in a thunder! On the line, an overly cheerful, Véranique Perrin shouting: "Get up darling, get up. WAKE UP! Today's the day, remember?!"

Of course, on the opposite side of town, a now very anxious Véronique Perrin was waiting for her friend and star model to show up to dazzle the cameras once more. The previous night, her mind too busy with the Mauve Absolue concept, Véronique had left Adèle behind after the show, knowing that she would need to get up bright and early to meet the army of hairdressers, make-up artists and photographers that would eagerly await her commands the following morning. At this point, based on the conversation she just had with her friend, she had a nasty feeling the day would soon start to run behind. She knew there was no way Adèle would make it on time now or would be in fit to be seen after the night she just had. Immediately Véronique started feeling this little tingle of panic in her head, which she preferred to ignore.

The minutes passed by and soon enough just as the bells of Notre-Dame rang the hour, to everyone's amazement, an immaculate Adèle Makeda made her entrance in the studio! Everyone gasped at how radiant she looked, no one knew how she could have done it, but here she was, up and kicking! No one was really surprised\_however, everyone knew that true beauty runs deep inside and being stylish is a way of life!

Follow the adventures of Adéle<sup>TM</sup> and Véronique<sup>TM</sup> with every Fashion Royalty<sup>®</sup> collectible!







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Mauve Absolue was on everyone's lips by now, literally. Véronique had done it again, she had found the perfect balance of 'glamour, style and elegance! Women all over the globe could be grateful that someone had their best interests in mind.

The following day, as Véronique was walking in front of the W make-up counter at the Galleries Lafayette, she was very pleased to see that the fashionable crowd couldn't wait to get her latest shades. Still, even though she was extremely pleased with the outcome of this wonderful line, the rich tapestry of spring colors were already painting the next chapter in W Cosmetics' history in her mind's eye... She knew the best was yet to come!





