

## Girl in Dior

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This exquisite graphic novel presents a glimpse of life behind the scenes at Dior in the '40s and '50s. The fictionalized Clara, who becomes a model for Christian Dior following the launch of his "New Look," serves as the gateway for readers into the world of fashion. Though Clara is fictionalized, the other characters are well-researched real people, and the narrative follows the actual events of Dior's life. The highlight of the book is the gorgeous renderings of the clothes. Goetzinger has done work in theatrical costume design, and it shows. Fabric texture is nearly palpable, and the colors are exquisite. Even background characters in large group scenes are beautifully done. It's the perfect present for anyone interested in costuming or fashion; better wrap it in plastic, because they'll drool.

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