

# Kelly Ripa

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Essential things that define her

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Kelly Ripa was never a clotheshorse until she started co-hosting *Live with Regis and Kelly* in 2001. Now everyone wants to know what's on her back.

The Berlin native favors Diane von Furstenberg and Balenciaga on air, but her stylist gives her a bounty of other choices daily. Viewers weigh in when they see something they like. "They call to see who the designer is and where they can get it," says the 12-year veteran of *All My Children* and a star of *Hope and Faith*.

When she is not working, you can find her in jeans and a T-shirt for an afternoon with her three children at a New York City park or zoo.

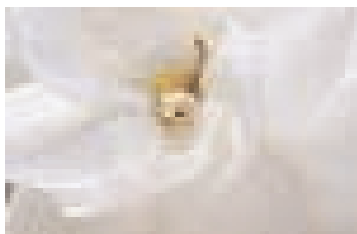
On the rare occasion she is alone, she is like most gals: She loves to indulge in a manicure and pedicure while reading a tabloid or two. Whose style does she admire on the pages? "Kate Hudson, the Olsen girls, Jennifer Aniston, and Nicole Richie," not forgetting her husband, hunky actor Mark Consuelos. "I love my husband's sense of style," she says. "He always looks perfect."

She and Consuelos like to entertain at their minimalist Manhattan apartment and their rustic Hamptons house. "The house is warm. It has more of a country vibe. We love it" she says. "We do the majority of our entertaining there."

When they come back to New Jersey, it is all about the kids. They hit Six Flags Wild Safari in Jackson or the boardwalk in Ocean City. Her checklist there:

Gillian's Wonderland Pier for the kids' amusement, Bob's lemonade, and Mack & Manco's. "It has the best pizza," she says. Her other culinary treat is Ridgewood's It's Greek to Me. "They have a delicious octopus salad."

Wonder if she'll have the same Ripa effect on food as she does fashion?



1. Playing with my kids
2. The sunset in the Hamptons
3. Azzedine Alaïa Shoes
4. Balenciaga Trousers
5. Chloé cropped jacket (à la Audrey Hepburn)
6. My wedding band (from Tiffany & Co.'s Etoile collection)
7. Fresh gardenias next to my bed
8. Brillat Savarin cheese
9. A glass of really fine Reisling
10. The smell of my kids after they have a bath
11. Scott Barnes Lip Slick- in Suggestive
12. Dinner at Morimoto (in New York City & Philadelphia)
13. The Diane Von Furstenberg wrap dress

