

Durga Puja 2025: Rashi Kapoor's Hastakala Collection Redefines Festive Fashion with Susmita Chatterjee

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Kolkata gears up for its biggest festival, Durga Puja, and this year, fashion takes center stage with Rashi Kapoor's latest bridal-festive collection, *Hastakala*. Celebrating the perfect blend of heritage craftsmanship and modern silhouettes, the collection has already become the talk of the town.

The glamorous Susmita Chatterjee turned muse for the shoot, showcasing four stunning looks that effortlessly transition from evening gatherings to late-night celebrations. From sequined saris to jewel-toned lehengas, each ensemble is a masterclass in chic, contemporary ethnicwear.

"Hastakala is rooted in tradition yet designed for the modern soul," says Rashi Kapoor. The collection honors Indian craftsmanship, featuring intricate techniques such as zardozi, aari, resham embroidery, French knots, pearls, crystals, and sequins, paired with a vibrant color palette ranging from soft pastels to bold jewel tones. For men, the capsule combines Mumbai-inspired modernity with refined tailoring, geometric embroidery, and understated elegance.

This festive season, Indian brides are embracing experimental silhouettes — deep necklines, layered skirts, capes, and structured jackets — while international influences inspire versatility and individuality. Rashi Kapoor's designs perfectly balance heritage and haute couture, incorporating Bengali textile elements like laal-paar shada saris, jamdani weaves, nakshi kantha, and baluchari motifs into contemporary fashion.

Essential festive wardrobe pieces include statement saris, lehengas, kurta-sharara sets, hero blouses, brocade jackets, chandbalis, and chokers for women. Men can elevate their festive looks with tailored bandhgalas, sherwanis, Nehru jackets, silk stoles, mojaris, and pocket squares.

With *Hastakala*, Rashi Kapoor demonstrates that Indian couture is not only global in outlook but deeply rooted in culture, making Durga Puja 2025 a season of unparalleled style and celebration.

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