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THE RESURGENCE OF

HUMAIMA MALICK

The actress extraordinaire, who is back with her character Daaro Nattni in the The Legend of Maula Jatt, talks about her inspiration for the role, her secret to happiness, and lots more...





t had been a while since we had seen Humaima Malick on the big screen. 2022 changed that tremendously. Malick returned to cinema in the highest-grossing Pakistani film of all-time, *The Legend of Maula Jatt*, an adaptation of the 1979 classic. Helmed by Bilal Lashari, the film did wonders at the local and international box office, helping to shape Pakistan's largely unstable film industry.

A key highlight of the film was Humaima Malick's character, Daaro Nattni, one of the antagonists in the movie. Not only did Humama deliver an incredible performance, she overshadowed many. *OK*! Pakistan sat down with the star of the film to dig deep.

Humaima, can you please comment on the success of *The Legend of Maula Jatt*, and what this success means to the future of Pakistani cinema?

HUMAIMA MALICK: I'm just grateful that I was chosen to be a part of such a spectacle by Bilal Lashari and was capable of doing justice to the role of Daaro Nattni. The success of *The Legend of Maula Jatt* would really help get the ball rolling for Pakistani cinema. I think that producers would manage to take more risks and I hope there will be a healthy cinematic competition ahead of us now.

How were you approached for the Maula Jatt adaptation?

HM: Approached is not the correct word here. Actually, Bilal Lashari and his team were scouting on a large scale — even internationally — for an

actress who could hold the vicious rival character of Daaro, someone who could oppose the protagonist with a subtle touch of vulnerability. I guess I fit the bill and the remake happened.

What inspired you to play the role of Daaro Nattni?

HM: My own journey. What I have become after all that I have experienced throughout my life

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made me Daaro of my own time and space. Inspirations are derived from our surroundings if we are aware enough. My director, Bilal Lashari, helped and taught me a lot about this character. He actually made me realise how to stand out among the male dominated clan, while still being part of that mob. Bilal referenced Eva Green just to give me an idea of what image he had in his mind for the role of Daaro Nattni. I pursued this character to set a precedent for a female antagonist, so instead of taking inspiration from anyone, I led by example.

How did you approach the character? What did you do to prepare for this role?

HM: My mother is the real life Daaro (minus the killing part). She is the reason behind every inch of my posture, my walk and my portrayal. She is the queen; the monarch of my life and she taught

me how to be Humaima on-screen. My mom is my best critic and a natural mentor. Whatever good I was able to interpret on-screen as Daaro Nattni, it was possible because of her on my side as my strongest faculty. Plus, nothing can go wrong when you have Bilal Lashari constructing and capturing every movement and angle every day. I would really like to acknowledge Mr. Shaan Shahid for giving me a few tips that were really helpful for me on set.

Was learning Punjabi a challenge for you?

HM: Actually, I have never spoken Punjabi before but I think I have always been very good at memorising words. I am fluent in over four exotic languages, and among them Punjabi is relatively very blunt and has an appealing dialect. So, it was never laborious for me because I enjoyed the process of learning and understanding new words of Punjabi.

Are you satisfied with your performance as Daaro?

HM: I was content and happy from day one because of the way we were treated on the movie's set. I mean how can you not be happy when you are so pampered and loved by the people who surround you? You naturally give your best performance!

The satisfaction came after I heard the chanting of cinemagoers calling my performance *seeti maaro* (whistle) and *taali bajao* (clap) worthy. How rare of a sight it is that the audience would root for a female antagonist and they laugh when she laughs and cry when she cries. It is ▶









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beautiful!

Many of the outfits you wore in the film were breathtaking. Who designed them and which outfit stood out to you personally?

HM: Zara Shahjahan was the maestro behind all the looks. She has done a phenomenal job and I was in love with every masterpiece she ever created. Her intricate work with one of the most delicate fabrics to make the cape alone, was hands down one of the best works I have ever worn! One of my favourite memories from the set was wearing *lacha* (a traditional, Punjabi skirt) for my character. I just felt so comfortable, yet stunning.

Now that the Maula Jatt adaptation has emerged as the top-grossing film of all-time in Pakistan, what precedent or expectations do filmmakers in Pakistan need to live up to maintain our cinema's success?

HM: The cinema is a world of fantasy. Now it is up to the makers how they create that world for their spectators. The audience is ready to be entertained because escapism is an inherent part of survival for us. The problem arises when we don't have enough work to show on-screen. Not every successful movie needs to be made on a 100-crore budget. It all comes down to a gripping story and enthralling performances, so I wish I could encourage more writers and directors to come forward with unique projects. It isn't even about making movies on a grand scale. Sometimes simplicity can work wonders for people.

Why have you not been taking up as many acting roles as you did before?

HM: I never did excessive work in the past as well just for the fear of being redundant. My strategy has always been to look for quality over quantity of a project that I am doing. Also, I have been involved in some personal commitments, so I was just waiting for the right number of challenges and exposure to get myself back on-screen. I'm excited for my future projects, and hopefully my fans won't have to wait that long again.

What do you make of Pakistan's entertainment industry and its progress?

HM: We are an independent film industry, and have everything in abundance. We have some of the best writers, performers and directors. Our scripts are getting more contemporary and unique but we are not utilising our writers correctly. There is a certain grammar and morphology of movie making which lacks in our industry. In our small screens too, we need to change the trajectory of crying women that get channels more ratings.

What has been the most challenging part about being a public figure in Pakistan?

HM: I am more than just a public figure. There is more than one role and part of me in my real life that I have been playing since the age of fourteen. Every single part is challenging but I embrace all the challenges because I was designed by my

creator to navigate my life through these tests.

Is marriage on the cards for you?

HM: Not unless I have cue cards on this topic.

What is your secret to happiness?

HM: To be around my family and to pray for my

enemies because they need prayers the most.

Anything you would like to add before leaving?

HM: I'm not leaving, I'm here to stay.

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"I LEARNT ON NEIGHBOURS – IT WAS MY UNIVERSITY" NATIONAL MY UNIVERSITY" ROBERT – IT WAS MY UNIVERSITY"

As she reflects on her incredible career so far, A-list actress Margot Robbie celebrates her journey from Ramsay Street to Hollywood stardom





argot Robbie has come a very long way since her days playing fiery teenager Donna Freedman in Neighbours. Since then, the Aussie star, 32, has become one of film's most in-demand leading ladies, starring

of film's most in-demand leading ladies, starring in movies such as *Bombshell*, *Amsterdam* and *Once Upon A Time In Hollywood*. So it's hard to believe that only 10 years ago she was still finding her feet in Tinseltown.

Sitting down to chat at BAFTAs Central London headquarters, she candidly recalls her journey from humble soap actress to global megastar – and what a trip it has been so far.

Margot was aged just 17 when she landed the role of Donna in the much-loved soap — and she now feels only pride for her Ramsay Street beginnings.

"I attribute so much of who and what I am now to being on Neighbours," she says. "I didn't go to film school or drama school — I wish that I had — but I learnt on the job. I did three years, some of the greatest years of my life. It was like they were my university years and my last day on Neighbours was like graduating."

Margot also famously joined Ramsay Street veterans Kylie Minogue, Jason Donovan and Guy Pearce for Neighbours' final episode.

"Everyone on that show I was really close with,

and not just because I spent that amount of time with them, but because I was 17 when I started living in Melbourne," she says. "To me, that was the Big Smoke. I didn't know anyone."

As well as helping her develop as an actress, her castmates taught her valuable life lessons off-screen, too.

"Toadie [Ryan Moloney] taught me how to do my taxes," she said. "And Susan Kennedy [Jackie Woodburne] showed me how to roast a chicken." After 300 episodes, a then 20-year-old Margot felt her time on the soap had run its course and she set her sights on cracking Hollywood.

She asked her soap bosses to kill her character off "in a big spectacular death", but they refused, telling her they would keep the door open in case "it doesn't work out in America".

That, she reveals, gave her just the incentive she needed to succeed.

"I was like, 'I love you all, but I'm gonna make it in America, I promise you," she says. "You don't need to keep my job free!'"

Two years after leaving Melbourne, Margot made her feature film debut in Richard Curtis' romantic comedy *About Time*, alongside Domhnall Gleeson and Rachel McAdams.

"We had trailers. I had never seen a trailer before," she laughs.

That same year saw Margot steal the attention of several big-name directors, including Martin Scorsese, who cast her as Naomi Lapaglia in The Wolf Of Wall Street, alongside Leonardo DiCaprio.

"I know this sounds silly now, knowing how big the movie became, but at the time I was like, 'No one's gonna notice me in this film. It doesn't matter what I do in this film because they're gonna focus on Leo and I'll just slip under the radar,'" she says.

The role meant filming her first-ever nude scene aged just 22. Understandably, it wasn't the easiest experience and Margot confesses she "had a couple of shots of tequila before shooting because I was very nervous".

But working with the Taxi Driver and Goodfellas legend was an exceptional learning experience. After *The Wolf Of Wall Street* became a critical and commercial smash, Margot found herself as one of the most sought-after young actresses in Hollywood.

In 2014, she started her own production company, LuckyChap Entertainment, alongside her British husband, film producer Tom Ackerley, 32, who she married in Byron Bay, Australia, in December 2016. And while Margot has said that "being in a long-distance relationship can be really hard", she ensures they never spend longer than three weeks apart.

The hit biopic *I, Tonya* was LuckyChap's first major production and famously focused on the life of controversial US figure skater Tonya Harding and the story surrounding the 1994 attack on





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her rival Nancy Kerrigan. Margot received Oscar and BAFTA nominations for her performance as Tonya, who she first thought was a fictional character.

"I had no idea that Tonya Harding was a reallife person," Margot admits. "I thought, 'This screenwriter [Craig Gillespie] is off the charts, nuts - so specific and weird.' And then I found out it was all true."

In preparation for the part - and feeling the pressure of playing a real person for the first time - the actress met with Tonva.

"I got to kind of ask all my questions and her answers and her general demeanour was really enlightening and helpful," she says. "I did feel really responsible."

Drawing confidence from the positive reviews she received for I, Tonya, ambitious Margot wrote a letter to Pulp Fiction and Kill Bill director Quentin Tarantino, begging him to cast her in one of his upcoming movies.

"I always knew that being on a Quentin Tarantino set was a bucket-list thing for me," she says. "And I didn't really feel that I was good enough until I saw my work in I, Tonya. It was the first time I thought, 'OK, I'm good enough to reach out

In 2019, Margot's wish was granted when Tarantino offered her the part of Sharon Tate in his comedy-drama Once Upon A Time In Hollywood alongside her old Wolf Of Wall Street pal Leonardo DiCaprio.

Pregnant actress Sharon was tragically murdered by members of the Manson Family cult in 1969. Margot says playing yet another real-life figure came with its own set of challenges.

"I spent time with her [Sharon's] sister," Margot discloses. "The interesting thing about playing Sharon was I wanted her to be exuding light and goodness, happiness. Playing her was like being on holiday every day. It was delightful."

Another learning curve came when, that same year, Margot landed a major role in Bombshell, a drama on the theme of sexual harassment, alongside fellow Hollywood actresses Charlize Theron and Nicole Kidman.

"I didn't know the definition of sexual harassment," Margot confesses. "That shocked me. When I finished that script, it horrified me how that particular crime plays in the grey area. That's where it really flourishes. When a situation isn't black and white. That's when insidious people like [TV executive] Roger Ailes or [film producer] Harvey Weinstein take advantage of the grev area."

Asked whether she believes movies such as Bombshell helped to shed light on sexual harassment in the entertainment industry, she says, "I think it's a big ship to turn around. But it's definitely moving in the right direction, I feel. Bombshell was an interesting exploration, but it



Next year the versatile actress, who's also enjoyed critical acclaim with the historical drama Mary Queen Of Scots, will star in the highly anticipated Barbie movie, in which she plays the iconic doll opposite Ryan Gosling's Ken. And it's clear the star still can't quite believe her own luck.

her acting career so far. "We're getting paid to do this. It's ridiculous and wonderful."

Margot was speaking at BAFTA: A Life in Pictures with Margot Robbie Supported by TCL

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SHAHNAWAZ NAWABI

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joint venture between the Lakson Group and Air Arabia, Fly Jinnah commenced nationwide operations on October 31st 2022, with an inaugural flight from Karachi to Islamabad. Operating on various domestic routes, Fly Jinnah is a low-cost carrier that serves frequent flights to and from Karachi, Islamabad, Peshawar, Lahore and Quetta every day at an affordable cost.

When, where and how did the idea of setting up a new airline come about?

SHAHNAWAZ NAWABI: As regular travellers to, from and within Pakistan, we have always believed in the potential of Pakistan's aviation sector. However, we felt that there was a gap in the market for an affordable, safe and reliable airline in the country.

Fly Jinnah was formed with the goal of enabling all Pakistanis to access air travel. We fully intend to achieve this goal.

Is FJ something that you chose to pursue based on the possibilities in the sector?

SN: Yes, we believe that Pakistan's aviation industry has massive potential. In particular, we believe that many of the ideas and business models that are prevalent in other markets, can be applied successfully in Pakistan.

This is particularly true in the Low Cost Carrier (LCC) segment. Fly Jinnah believes that offering customers an affordable travel option, with increased choice of products and services, will benefit the entire aviation sector and the country as a whole.

Run us through your journey of making the idea of Fly Jinnah come to fruition?

SN: Today, only three percent of Pakistanis fly. This is largely because airfares are too high for 24

the vast majority of Pakistanis. This percentage compares very unfavorably to similar countries in the region.

We wanted to develop an airline that could, one day, enable all Pakistanis to fly and increase the connectivity within Pakistan, as well as the connectivity of Pakistan within the region and around the world.

In order to achieve this, we needed to develop a concept that increased accessibility through low fares, while maintaining the highest safety and reliability standards.

This is why we believe that the Low Cost Carrier (LCC) concept will be a success in Pakistan. It is a proven business model around the world, and enables customers who would previously not have access to air travel, to be able to fly for the

LL We hope to begin our international services as soon as possible. **JJ**

first time.

We are particularly proud of our partnership with Air Arabia. Air Arabia is our minority partner in the venture, and is a highly successful LCC in the Middle East. We hope to leverage Air Arabia's expertise to bring a brand new concept to the Pakistani aviation market.

Through the process and years it has taken for you to convert Fly Jinnah into a reality, what

have been your greatest challenges and what have been your greatest strengths?

SN: We have, of course, faced many challenges throughout our journey to date. However, we tend to focus on the opportunities that lie ahead and the support we have received so far.

We are grateful for the support of regulators and policy makers in Pakistan. We believe that there is a concerted effort from all stakeholders to increase competition and choice in the aviation industry, with the ultimate benefit being given to the customer and wider population.

With regard to Fly Jinnah, what has been your: 1) Greatest motivation, 2) Inspiration, 3) Biggest take-way?

SN: Greatest motivation: to enable ALL Pakistanis to have access to affordable, safe and reliable air travel – within Pakistan and beyond our borders.

Inspiration: Pakistan has been a leader in the aviation industry. We have an incredibly strong history of innovation and success. We hope that through our work at Fly Jinnah, Pakistan can reclaim its position as a global aviation power. Biggest Takeaway: Pakistan has incredible potential, and not just in the aviation industry. We see that potential every day, represented by the youth of our country.

Looking back, would you say it has all been worth it?

SN: Absolutely! It's still early days for us, but we are excited to be going on this journey.

What prompted the selection of the airline's name? Fly Jinnah is possibly one of the few airlines that bear the name of the founder of a country — who came up with the idea?

SN: As mentioned above, we are proud to have







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Air Arabia UAE as our minority partner in this venture.

We hope this will be a highly successful Pakistan / UAE joint venture, and will lay the groundwork for further collaboration between our two friendly countries.

The name Fly Jinnah, is a reflection of this partnership. Jinnah, in Arabic, means 'Wings', which we believe is a very appropriate name for this airline venture.

As a product, how does Fly Jinnah differ from other domestic airlines in Pakistan?

SN: Fly Jinnah follows the highly successful Low Cost Carrier (LCC) model, which is proven worldwide. The model aims to keep costs low, thereby passing on cost savings to customers in the form of low fares.

At the same time, our aim is to provide customers with products and services which are unique in the local market. For example, we are very excited about Sky Time, our free inflight entertainment system which allows our customers to stream hundreds of movies, TV shows, games and music directly onto their smart devices during our flights.

We are also very proud of our

very comfortable seats, and our seamless online booking platform, which enables customers to select seats, book meals and baggage allowances pre-flight, and even check in online. We hope to be one of the most tech enabled carriers in the country, to reflect our young population's increasing familiarity with techrelated advancements.

Where do you see Fly Jinnah five years from now?

SN: Today, Fly Jinnah serves Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Peshawar and Quetta. We hope to increase our connectivity in the domestic market to more cities across the country.

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We also hope to begin our international services as soon as possible, with a view to increasing connectivity to the GCC markets, as well as South East Asia, Central Asia, Europe and beyond.

What next from Fly Jinnah?

SN: We will continue to roll out new products and services, and serve even more destinations, while keeping fares low. We will also continue to listen to customer feedback and improve our services.

As mentioned earlier, our goal is to ensure that one day, all Pakistanis have access to safe and reliable air travel. \bigcirc K

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"IF MY FILM HELPS JUST ONE PERSON, I'M THE LUCKIEST GIRL ALIVE"

SELENA GOIVIEZ

Actress and singer Selena
Gomez on sharing her struggles
in a documentary, and paving
the way for some difficult
conversations



elena Gomez has been open about her battle with anxiety and depression over the past six years — and she is now hoping her candid new documentary will help other people speak out. Explaining why she made the brave decision to lay bare her struggles and her tumultuous relationship with fame in *Selena Gomez: My Mind & Me*, the singer says she wanted to educate young people about the importance of prioritising their mental health — and used herself as a "sacrifice" to help others "have the hard conversations".

Selena, 30, said, "I think someone actually asked me if I felt like I did too much. And I'm not going to lie, maybe there were a few moments that were scary to offer up. But at the same time, if you take anything away from this, I hope people understand my purpose here is supposed to be connection.

"I used myself as a sacrifice in order for people to have the hard conversations. But I'm also going to crawl in a hole now for a few months, so nobody sees me for a while. I did too much."

Selena started her journey to fame aged seven and her TV career took off when she appeared in children's series *Barney & Friends* aged 10. In 2007, when she was 15, she was given a starring role on the Disney Channel series *Wizards Of Waverly Place*. The following year she signed a deal with Hollywood Records.

Working under that record label, Selena released three albums with her former band, Selena Gomez & The Scene, which all reached the Top 10 of the US Billboard 200. In late 2010, when she was 18, she began dating pop star Justin Bieber, who was 16 at the time. Their on/off romance continued for the next eight years.

In 2013, her fame skyrocketed with the release of her debut solo album, Stars Dance, which topped the Billboard 200. Her second studio album, Revival, debuted at number one in the US in 2015. But in 2016, fame began to take its toll on Selena's health. After 55 shows on her Revival tour, the star – who was diagnosed with auto-immune disease Lupus in 2014 – cancelled the remainder of the tour to focus on her mental health. In a statement released at the time, she said she was suffering panic attacks and depression.

Explaining her reasons for cancelling the tour, Selena said, "It was what I needed to do for my health. I honestly look forward to sharing with you soon my journey through these past several months, as I have always wanted to do with you." In the summer of 2017, complications from Lupus led to her getting a kidney transplant from her good friend, actress Francia Raisa. During the operation, an artery broke and emergency surgery was required to make her a new one using a vein from her leg.

The following year, in May 2018, Selena split with Justin for good, with rumours suggesting the relationship had been "unhealthy" for a while.

Five months later, the singer was admitted to a psychiatric hospital – and she later revealed she had an episode of psychosis during this time.

In 2020, Selena revealed she had been diagnosed with bipolar disorder.

The footage in the new fly-on-the-wall documentary, which was directed by Alek

Keshishian – who also directed Madonna's infamous 1991 documentary, *Truth Or Dare* – comes from two weeks of filming during Selena's ill-fated Revival tour.

In a recent interview, Alek revealed that when he showed Selena the footage he had shot on the tour – including a backstage meltdown during rehearsals where she cries and says, "It sucks. It looks so bad. I have no idea what I'm doing" – Selena was shocked.

He said, "She was like, 'Oh my God! I don't want the world to see me breaking down crying like that.' But he added that she started to feel like there could be a way her story could help somebody else. He said, "That's her Achilles heel. She wants to help others."

Speaking at AFI Fest in Los Angeles, where the film premiered, Selena explained that she hoped the documentary would be the start of people being able to open up to friends and family about how they are truly feeling.

She revealed, "I hope it starts with a conversation where people, maybe family, immediately start asking questions about things they felt. The pandemic was a time of isolation and people were experiencing depression for the first time, anxiety. I feel like this is the right moment to release something like this because a lot of people would ask that question, 'Well, what do I do? How do I get help? What should I do? How do I do it?' And I just try my hardest to show them that you don't have to stop. You can keep going."

She added that if the documentary helps just one person, she would consider herself "lucky". "I hope people take away that it's OK to not feel good ▶





"I try my hardest to do as best as I can."

enough. It's OK to feel that you're complicated. It's just about having a healthier relationship with how you talk to yourself, how you seek help, how you talk to other people

"I hope it just starts a chain reaction of people saying, 'Hey, I want to say something about my mental health. I want to talk about it. I want to seek help.' And that's one of the bravest things someone can do. And if just one person is impacted by this film, I would consider myself the luckiest girl if I could help that one person."

Talking about her decision to work with Alek, Selena revealed she realised she felt comfortable sharing her life with him.

She explained, "I watched Truth Or Dare. Well, prior to that I had met Alek through my manager. He also directed a music video of mine and we decided to maybe attempt to do a tour documentary.

"We soon realised there was much more going on than just the tour, that I eventually ended up cancelling. He came into my life in these moments that were beautiful, complicated and tragic, and I felt comfortable with just sharing what I was walking through with Alek."

At one point in the documentary, Selena visits Grand Prairie in Texas, the neighbourhood where she grew up. She spends time with a childhood friend who now has young children and who is surprised to see the star back in their hometown. Selena's friend tells her daughter, "Yeah, she's real! Mommy went to school with her."

Selena says she feels "beautiful" when visiting her roots. She explained, "I mean, I'm a Texas girl through and through, and I'm proud of that. And I do feel the most beautiful when I'm home. When I go home, every time I visit the house I'm from, I like to visit the neighbours. I don't think they see me any differently than who I was when I was younger." Just before the documentary debuted on November 4, Selena released its soundtrack - a moving piano-driven ballad with the same title. The song starts with the lyrics, "Wanna hear a part to my story? I tried to hide in the glory / and sweep it under the table so you would never know."

Speaking about penning a song especially for the documentary, Selena said, "It was interesting because it was the first time I allowed anyone to have my journals. From that stemmed conversations, including, 'Well, maybe we try and do... What's the song for the movie? How do we do that?

"And luckily, I work with these amazing producers. Their producing name is *The Monsters*, and they're just really wonderful people who know me and have known me

"And we were able to create My Mind & Me. And I feel like it was a perfect example of what I walked through, and it was beautiful. And then, we ended up naming the film that."

Now, Selena is starring in Hulu's Only Murders In The Building – in which her character Mabel investigates a neighbour's mysterious death alongside comedy actors Steve Martin and Martin



She gushed, "I am so lucky. Working with those two, it's constant bickering and bits and stuff. Plus, they're just like my old grandpas."

So as she continues to navigate the complexities of fame, what would be her advice to anyone planning on being a global superstar?

Selena modestly admitted, "I don't know who I am to give advice. I'm not saying I have the answers at all. I'm not saying I even have a powerful speech I could say. I would just say that the fans have given

me a responsibility and I carry that so deeply, and I try my hardest to do as best as I can.

"All I would ever want anyone to know is that they're exactly enough the way they are – that they are worthy, they are seen, they deserve love. That's what I want people to feel." OK

Selena Gomez: My Mind & Me is available on Apple TV+

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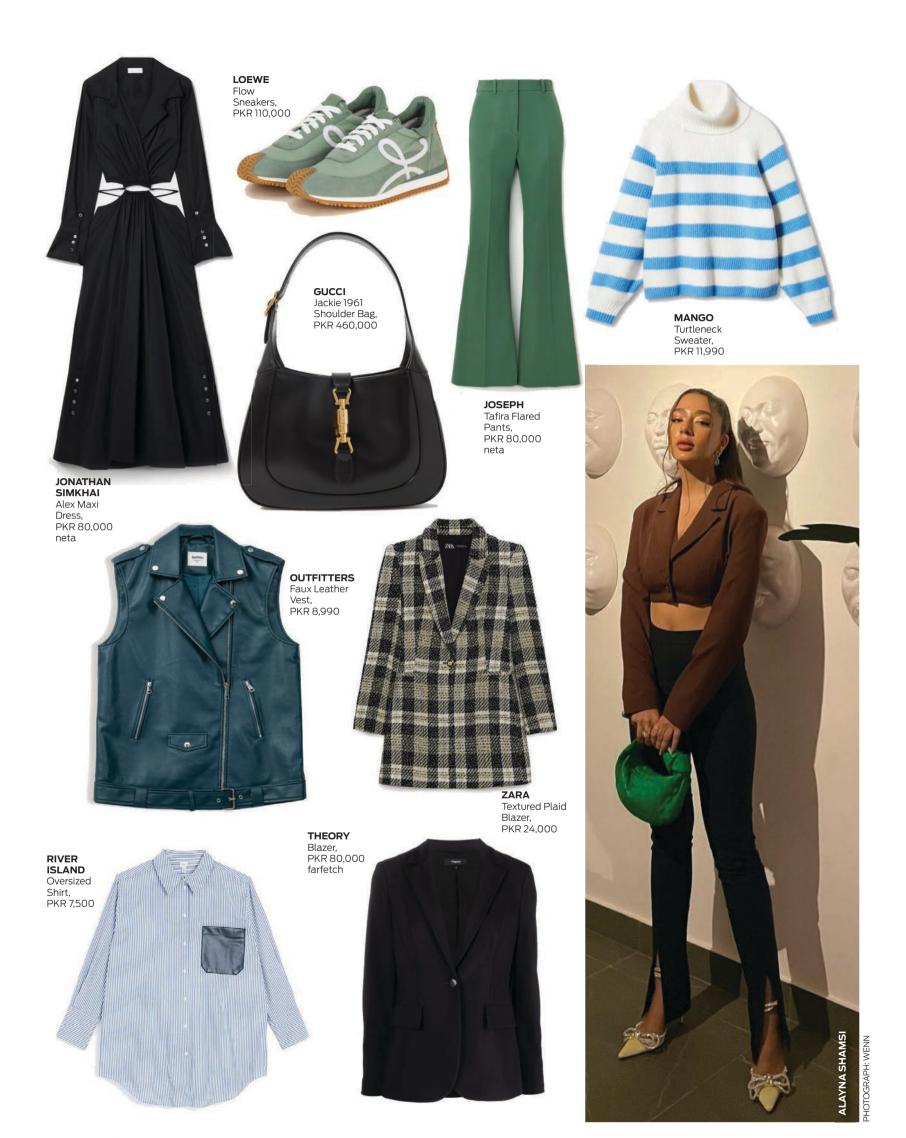
In 2022, people finally started going out and whilst they did that they sought out the shiniest and sheerest ensembles. 2023 is now calling for more sustainable sartorial choices – think forever pieces that will last for decades – blazers, strappy sandals, a classic shoulder bag, tailored pants, oversized shirts, minimal sneakers and more.







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The Princess of Wales has proven she is the queen of style time and time again. In this issue the impeccably-dressed royal is our ultimate style crush. Here's how you can get her look:



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We love how stylist Tabesh Khoja mixes an ethnic embroidered jacket with a minimal black tee and tracks to own the look.



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What's IN HER BAG?

Actress, director and writer, Amar Khan, shares the contents of her bag with OK! Pakistan



AirPods - small,compact and convenient especially for those fun voice notes I want to hear in privacy



Customised Jild wallet - it makes it easy to carry my cards and cash

Pen - always comes in handy for



Dettol hand sanitiser -stay safe, stay protected is the slogan I follow



Tom Ford shades - these days they are the only thing I wear







Chance by Chanel - beautiful scent, beautiful you

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10,000 in the US!) it's the brand to

The beauty world is a crowded place, so how do you manage to sell 17 products a second online within weeks of launch? Well, by being Merit, a brand created by Who What Wear co-founder Katherine Power, adored Stateside by everyone from Bella Hadid to Cameron Diaz, and now arriving here, too.

All the make-up has built-in skincare bonuses, and thanks to cult faves such as Flush Balm and Minimalist Stick (launched with a wait list of



SUITS YOU

Now obviously Priyanka Chopra is going to look stunning whatever she wears, but bless her, she's doing her utmost to share that gift with us normals. The actress has helped to develop Max Factor's new "universal colour" range, a capsule collection designed to be flattering on evervone.

There are nine Colour Elixir lipsticks, P KR 3,000, and eight Miracle Pure nail polishes, PKR 2,400, in shades specially picked to work on cool, warm and neutral complexions alike. Then there's the pièce de résistance, the Max Factor X Priyanka Masterpiece Eye Palette, PKR 5,000, which definitely has something for everyone. Colour science has spoken!



PURPLE REIGN

With Sadie Frost and Jude Law as parents, Iris Law was always going to be front of the cheekbone queue, and she's now lending that exquisite bone structure to Versace fragrances.

The Brit model is the face of Dylan Purple, PKR 25,200 for 50ml, an impeccably bred addition to the brand's stable of colourthemed perfumes. This fashionable floral blend stands on its own merits, just like Iris herself – so if you even thought of nicknaming it Eau De Nepo, then shame on you.



standout mascara of 2022 - and now it's got a supportive new sidekick. Lash Sensational Sky High Tinted Primer, PKR 4,000, combines conditioning ingredients

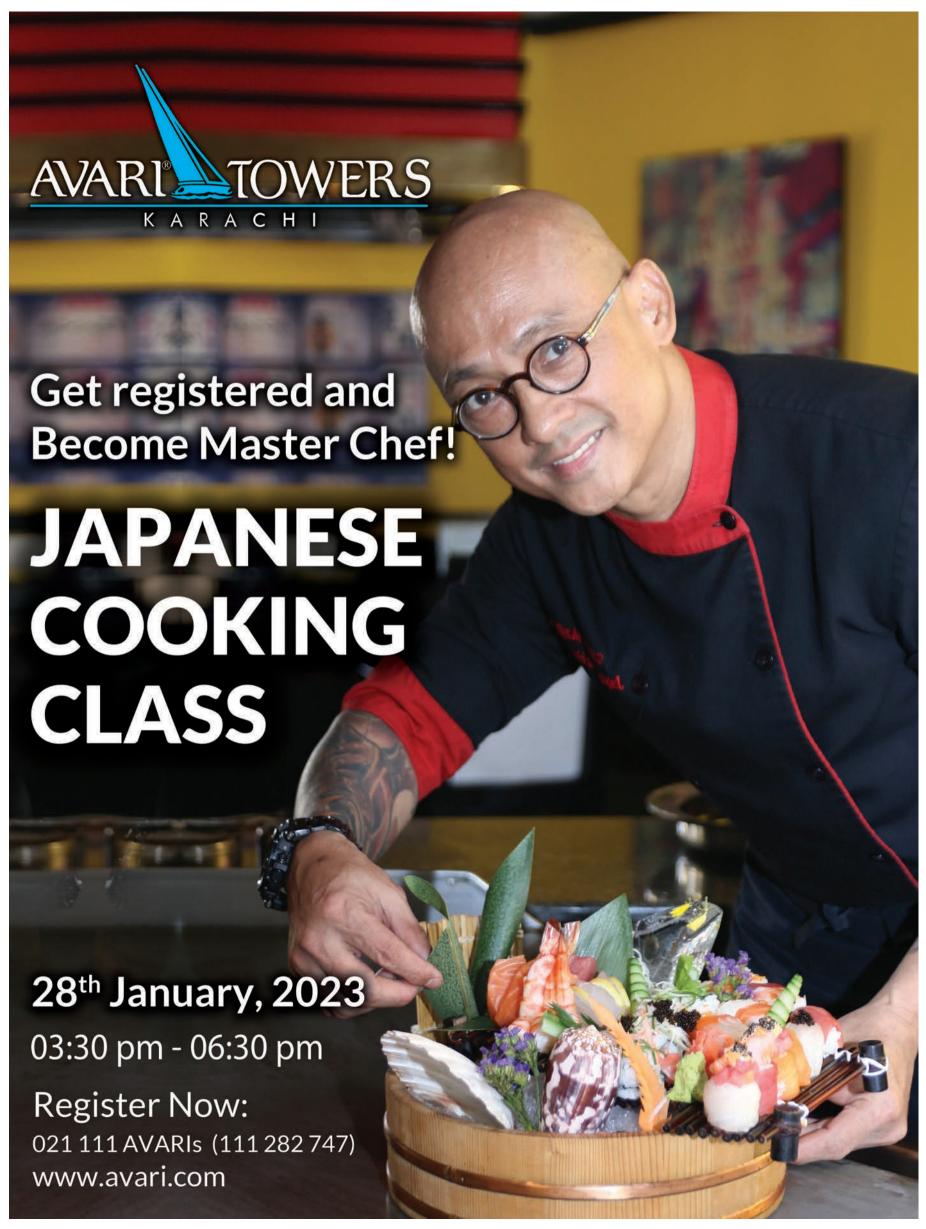
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with a hint of black. Worn on its own it gives lashes a natural-looking tint, but when followed with Sky High mascara the result is 1.5 times the gravity-defying lift and volume you get using the mascara

Sky High Cosmic Black was my

Like all the best supporting roles, it assists the main character without stealing the show, yet can still hold its own. (Spin-off highly likely.)

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THE LIFE OF ANMOL BALOCH

The actress and model shares some of her favourites with *OK*! Pakistan



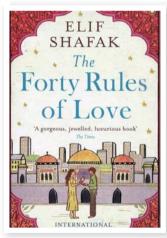
Favourite travel destination? Maldives.



Signature scent? Oud Ispahan.

Last book you read? Forty Rules of Love.

Ideal weekend? Relaxing with home food.



Favourite restaurant?

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Skin care essentials? Sunblock, face oil and lip oil.

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Three things you can't live without?

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Phone, family and cats.



Favourite designer?Sadaf Kanwal.

Getting in shape or couch potato?
Getting in shape.



Last thing you splurged on?
Shoes.

Instant mood lifter?Food.



Current song on repeat?

Lover by Dilgit.



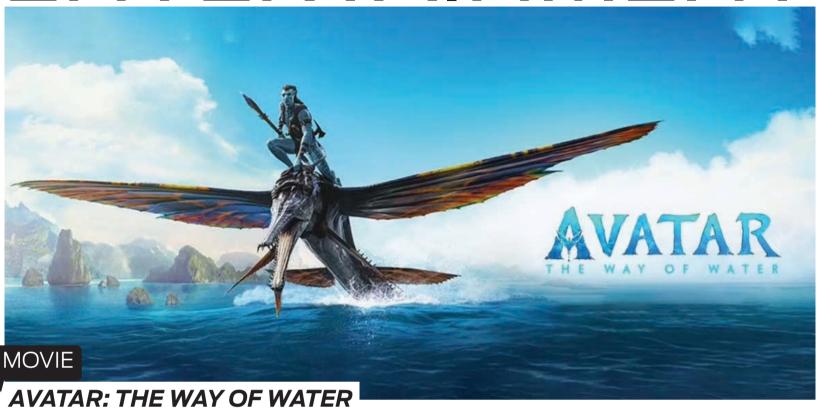


Last show you binge watched? The School for Good and Evil.

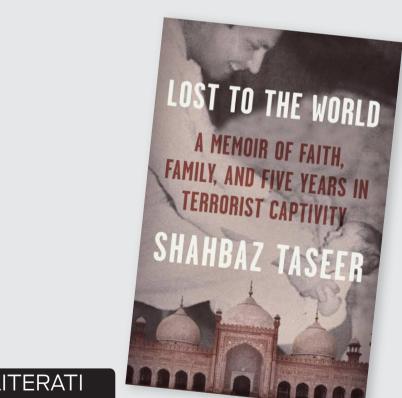
Guilty pleasure? Desserts.



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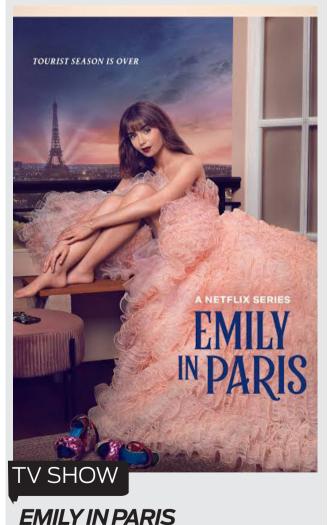
ames Cameron's turn of the decade sequel has grossed over \$2 billion in box office sales. Jake Sully and Ney'tiri have formed a family and are doing everything to stay together. However, they must leave their home and explore the regions of Pandora. When an ancient threat resurfaces, Jake must fight a difficult war against the humans.



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LOST TO THE WORLD: A MEMOIR OF FAITH, FAMILY AND FIVE YEARS IN TERRORIST CAPTIVITY

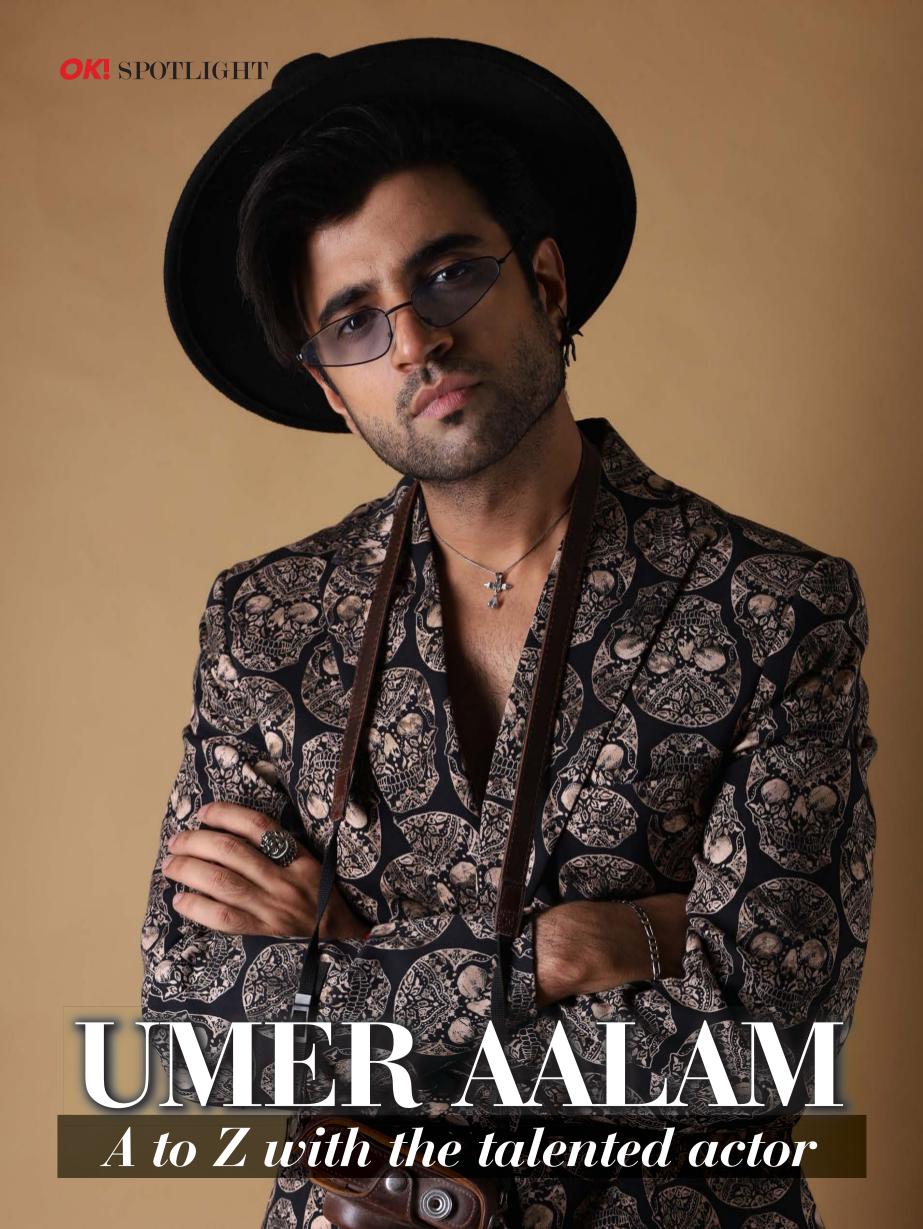
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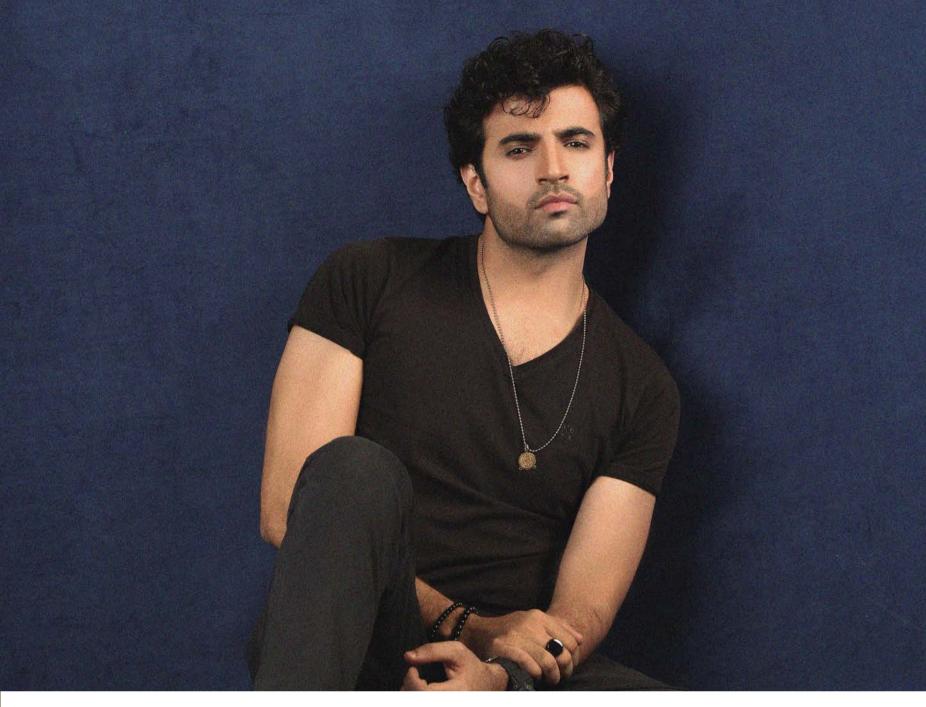


illy Collins returns to Paris for another season on Netflix as American marketing executive Emily

Cooper.

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ith a flair for acting since childhood, Umer Aalam started acting in plays from an early age and got his big break in Anwar Maqsood's *Siachen*. The actor hasn't looked back ever since and has various television shows and even a film under his belt. The actor talks to OK! Pakistan about winning *Tamasha Ghar*, his rapport with co-actors, preferred roles, challenges he has faced, and so much more.

Can you tell us how you started?

Umer Aalam: I started off with theatre; I used to perform in school, college and university as well. I even performed in a theatre play called *Siachen* by Anwar Maqsood, and after that, it all took off. Alhamdulillah.

Do you prefer to act in live theatre or films and television shows?

UA: I prefer film and television because I enjoy seeing my performances onscreen and it has always been my dream to perform on the big screen. It is one of the best feelings when I see people enjoying my work in the same way I do.

You recently won *Tamasha Ghar*. How did you feel being the winner? What was your most memorable experience?

UA: I always wanted to be the winner but mostly ended up coming second or runner-up, so this was the best moment of my life so far. When Adnan

Bhai announced my name and lifted my hand, that was a high I always wanted to feel and I felt it. Alhamdulillah.

Shehnai or Pheli See Muhabbat which would you choose and why?

UA: Shehnai, because it was a light-hearted story and for the first time I got the chance to work in

If I am not a star yet; if that was the case I would have been on the cover. 77

a romantic role on screen and felt like a hero. On the contrary, *Pheli See Muhabbat* was more of a drama full of seriousness plus I had been a friend (character) many times.

If you could relate your personality to any character you've played on screen, which would it be?

UA: I could relate to Ahmed (*Raqs-e-Bismil*) and Ahsan (*Shehnai*); Ahmed because I feel like I am

obedient and respectful to elders and Ahsan because I have a hero inside me.

What are your upcoming plans?

UA: My plan is to focus on my career and work even harder to win as many hearts as I can with my work.

If you were given a biopic to do, who would you play and why?

UA: I would like to do a biopic of Fawad khan because his journey is amazing and girls love him.

Who has been your inspiration all these years?

UA: Yasir Hussain has been an inspiration, a mentor, an elder brother, and a good friend all along.

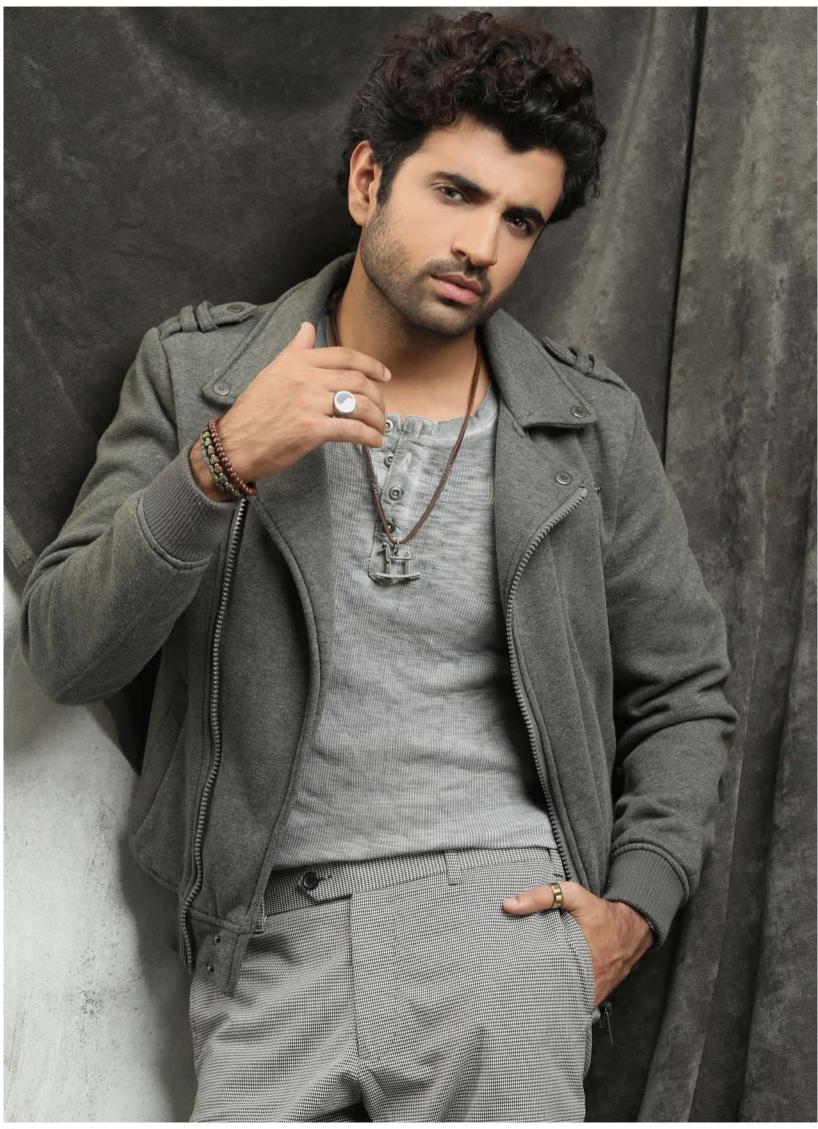
What acting role have you found the most challenging and why?

UA: Shehnai was difficult because doing a romantic scene with an actor I barely knew was tough. The role of Arsalan from Nehar was challenging too because I had to play the role of a character whose nature was totally opposite to that of Umer Aalam.

How important is it to establish rapport with your co-actors with whom you are performing, to execute a scene successfully?

UA: That is the most crucial part of acting. If there is no chemistry it would look like acting or require too much effort while acting should be effortless. The one thing Sheheryar Munawar made sure of, despite being a star, was that he came and talked ▶

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to me and broke the ice, making sure that we feel like friends. This translated on screen brilliantly, and the audience felt the connection and friendship.

If you had personality differences with your coactors, how would you ensure it did not affect the performance?

UA: This is the part where the art of acting comes in handy. I have had this kind of experience and I always try not to pay attention to this so it doesn't come in the way or jeopardise my performance.

Can you describe your acting style?

UA: I am a director's actor, and I will do whatever the director tells me to do or at least try to do it by adding my essence to it, which has been working for me so far. Alhamdulillah.

Tell us about the toughest part of your work?

UA: The shoot timings are so unpredictable that it becomes tough to plan accordingly.

If you could change one thing about your line of work, what would that be?

UA: Lack of professionalism - I think it's a major drawback that our industry or any other industry could have.

How does it feel to be a star?

UA: I am not a star yet; if that was the case I would have been on the cover. [Laughs]

Every industry, including the entertainment industry, is full of competition; what do you do to stand out amidst competition?

UA: I just keep myself motivated and focused to do better than what I did last time or yesterday and then it's all fate.

How do you stay mentally and physically healthy?

UA: I workout and talk to friends and family which keeps me sane.

Favourite co-star you've worked with?

UA: Aadi, Areeba Habib, Affan Waheed, Sheheryar Munawer, Maryam Noor, Osama Tahir, Hassan Ahmed, and a few more.

Pet Peeves?

UA: Many pointing out someone's errors or weaknesses out loud, cutting nails in public, taking phone calls in public, and traffic signals.

Umer AAlam in five words?

UA: Honest, hustler, fun, emphatic, consistent.

Last book you read?

UA: Quran Majeed.

What are you watching on Netflix $\ref{Netflix}$

UA: Friends.

IOS or Anroid?

UA: IOS.

deal destination?

UA: Italy.

Go-to designer label?

UA: Emraan Rajput.

White or black?

UA: Black all the way.

INTERVIEW: MEHR KASSIM



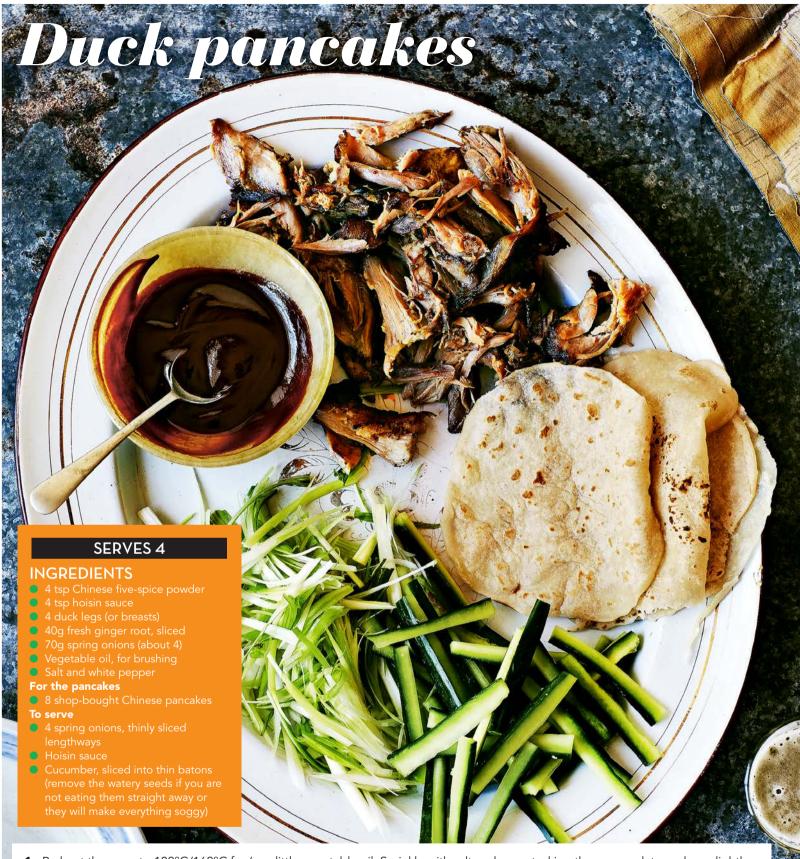


STIR CRAZY

AWARD-WINNING COOK AND TV PRESENTER SUZIE LEE CONJURES UP A CHINESE FEAST TO MAKE AT HOME







- **1.** Preheat the oven to 180°C/160°C fan/ gas mark 4.
- **2.** Rub 1 teaspoon of Chinese five-spice powder and 1 teaspoon of hoisin sauce into each duck leg or breast, rubbing them into the exposed flesh. Put the ginger and spring onions into a shallow roasting tin with a grill rack and pour over enough water to cover the bottom (about 250ml).
- **3.** Put the grill rack in the roasting tin. Place the duck on the rack, making sure it isn't touching the water, and brush with a

little vegetable oil. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, cover the whole roasting tin with foil and bake the duck in the oven for at least 1 hour 30 minutes, until tender.

- **4.** While the duck is in the oven, brush a frying pan with a little oil and place over a medium heat. Add a pancake and fry for 30-60 seconds until it is dotted with brown circles. Turn the pancake over and cook for another 30-60 seconds.
- **5.** Carefully remove the pancake from the pan. Repeat with the remaining pancakes,

stacking them on a plate under a slightly damp tea towel to keep soft and warm.

- **6.** Place the spring onions in a bowl of cold water to refresh them. Remove the duck from the oven and shred the meat from the bones. If it seems slightly dry (possibly if you've used breast meat), add some of the liquid from the bottom of the roasting tin and mix it through the meat.
- **7.** Serve the shredded duck with the pancakes, hoisin sauce, drained spring onions and cucumber.





CHRONIC LONELINESS CAN BE DETRIMENTAL TO OUR HEALTH. HOWEVER, FLYING SOLO IS DIFFERENT – AND YOUR MIND WILL THANK YOU FOR DOING IT

quarter of us admit to feeling lonely - and the problem is particularly heighte. But there's a big distinction between feeling lonely and being alone. People commonly describe feeling dreadfully lonely in the middle of a huge crowd. Others say they feel perfectly content by themselves – and the key to this could be that they fully embrace flying solo.

It's one of a handful of self-care ideologies shared

by author Isa Kujawski in The Book Of Korean Self-Care. Here's how we could all benefit from the "K-Wellbeing" practice of Honjok and eliminate the stigma of spending time alone.

Challenging conventions
Honjok signifies someone "who willingly undertakes typical group or couplesoriented activities alone, such as dining and travelling", explains Isa.

"It embraces the idea that it's normal to enjoy time alone and that being alone or single isn't lonely or pitiful. It relieves people from the social expectation of having to get married, or maintain needless, superficial relationships in an already high-demand life."

how to incorporate Honjok into your life



WITH society's expectations

balance a social life and exhibit extroversion.

The true health benefits of

director of the Campaign to End Loneliness.

Honjok

"Society has built expectations of how we should

conduct our time - get married, have a family,

"These may be great goalposts for many, but it's OK to want to do things on your own terms.

Honour your unique self – and if that means

spending most of your time alone, then so be

"Spending time alone can recharge your batteries

and give you space to get a valuable perspective

on life," explains Robin Hewings, programme

"It's a vital part of self-care and can improve your

mental health. Having things to look forward to

But he adds, "We need to talk about loneliness to reduce the stigma. If it's not a choice, or you don't have support, it can feel very isolating." If you're

Normalise the act of doing things by yourself

"Try to abandon the perceived awkwardness of being alone in public, says Isa. "Accept that most people are too busy living their own lives to judge you for being by yourself.

"Feel liberated knowing you can still do everything you feel like doing by yourself. You don't have to wait for anyone to experience life on your own terms. If you want to take yourself out on a date, or celebrate a holiday by yourself, that's OK."

Use alone-time to reflect

"If you find yourself alone against your own wishes, use it as valuable time to look within and develop a deeper understanding of yourself.

"Once you push past the discomfort of loneliness, you may find that your true thoughts and feelings come to the surface and help you pave a path towards beautifying your inner world."

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unhappy or struggling, he advises seeking help from medical professionals or charities such as Mind and Samaritans.

'Spending time alone is empowering'

Claire Jenkins, 40, owns a HR and recruitment business. Here, she opens up about how she overcame the crushing loneliness that was triggered by a family tragedy

In my early twenties, my mum died in a car crash and it had an extreme impact on me. I threw myself into crazy activities, like climbing Mount Kilimanjaro. I looked like I was thriving, but I had a deep sense of loneliness within my heart, even in a big group of people.

That empty feeling came back during the pandemic, when I was living alone in London. I'd watch TV until late and the lack of sleep led to crazy thoughts like, "Everyone hates me." Christmas was particularly hard as others seemed to be having fun, despite the circumstances. It made me feel lonelier.

I had to change, which meant completely shifting



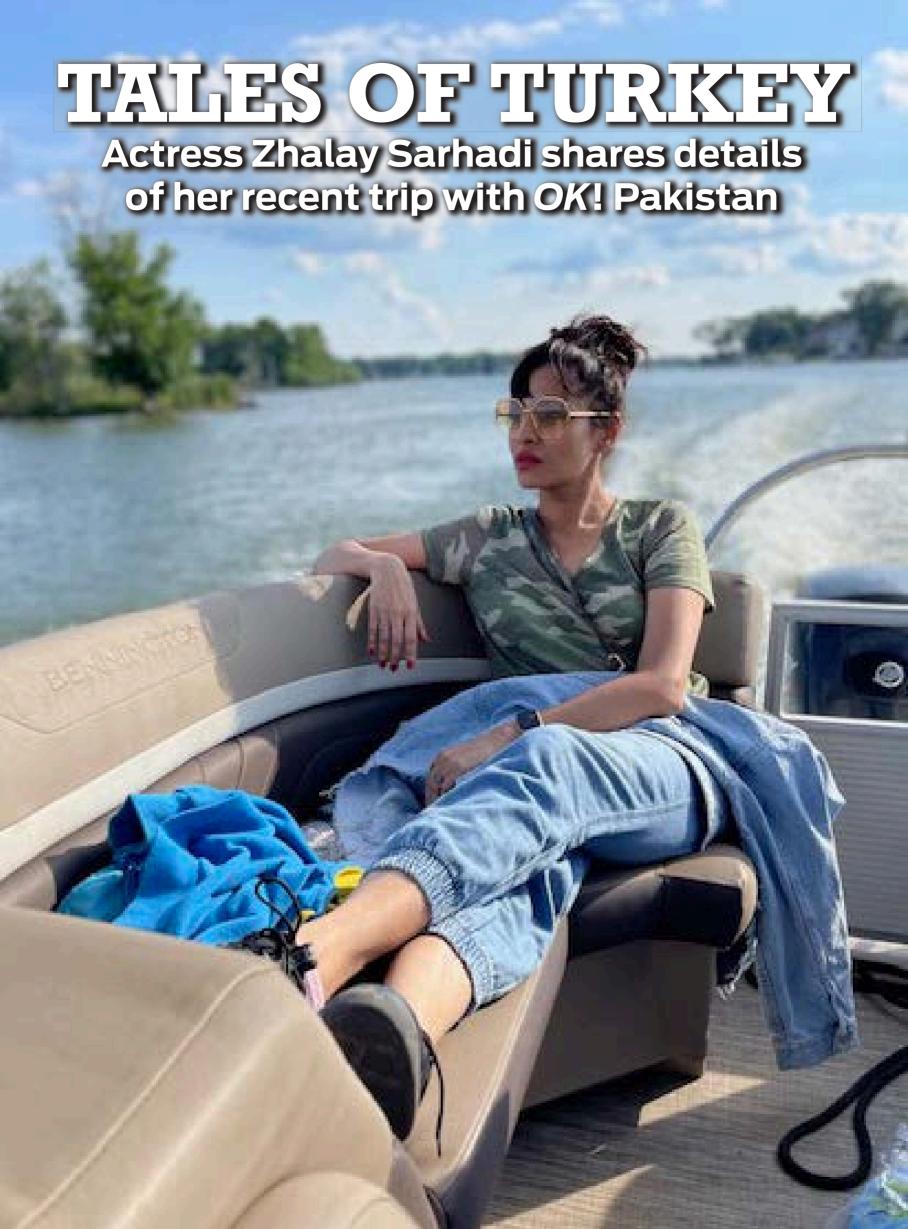
my mindset. I needed to rejoice in being alone, rather than feel lonely. I'd go for long walks. I started to tackle the stack of books I'd planned to read. I did online courses and filled in a daily gratitude journal.

In July 2020, I moved back to Gloucestershire to live with my dad. That's when I started a Google Excel document listing everything I wanted to do, including walking on hot coals and walking 300 miles in two weeks – both of which I've done.

Now, I see it as an honour to spend time alone. It's empowering. I can clear my mind and come up with my best ideas. If I want to do something, I don't wait for anyone to join me, I just do it! If I want to go paddleboarding tomorrow, I will. The world has become my playground, I'm living life to the optimum. You can waste so much time thinking about what you haven't got and who you should be hanging out with. I'm on my own path. I don't have to fit in with society.

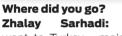
I don't recall much of my twenties, because the darkness overcame me. Now, I appreciate every minute, whether I'm alone or not.

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went to Turkey - mainly Istanbul.

What made you go to Turkey?

ZS: I love the diversity of cultures it offers. The Asian side and the European side both have their own charm.

What did you pack?

ZS: Essentials including clothes, supplements, apt foot wear and my keto roti.

What your favourite meal/ restaurant?

ZS: I love their authentic cuisine so I had a lot of kebabs and roasted aubergine.

What was the biggest highlight of your trip/ most memorable moment?

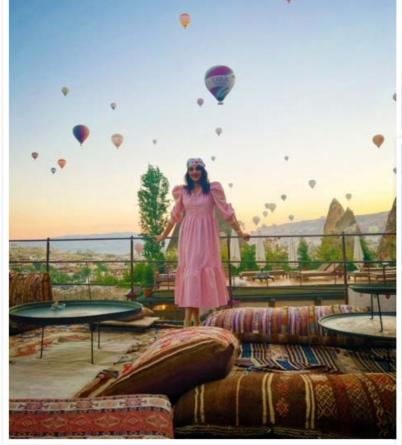
ZS: It was when we went

to see the old historic monuments including Blue Mosque, Hagia Sophia and the Grand Bazaar.

Favourite shopping destination?

ZS: I did not go to shop there but Istiklal street has all the local and international brands in one place.

Some sights worth seeing?



ZS: Every single street in Istanbul, Cappadocia, Antalya and Izmir are a must visit.

What are some spots for a night out?

ZS: We were in a hotel called W in Besiktas and the night life was roaring there.

Travel essentials?

ZS: Everything I packed.



Any travel tips you would like to share?

ZS: Travel light as international flights offer more luggage allowance but local flights don't, so travel with essentials only and keep a hand carry just in case. 🗽

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When in Marbella, a day by the pool isn't about dozing off while trying to read a paperback. It's a chance to model your least practical swimwear and drink champagne. And there's no better place to do that than the boujee Ocean Club.

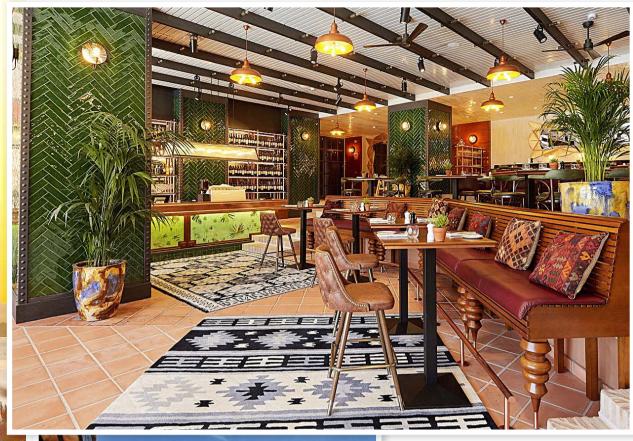
he boujee Ocean Club. The venue hosts special events all summer and I was invited to attend the White and Silver opening party — although unfortunately I wasn't told about the theme and wore a Hawaian two-piece! Amy Childs would never get it so wrong. But thankfully the circus performers, fireworks and live band distracted me from my error.

I was particularly in awe of the dancers roaming the floor encouraging dance-offs like we were on the set of Step Up 6. If you tire of drinking fizz, you can try the pre-mixed cocktails made exclusively for the venue by two-time Cocktail World Champion Mario Hofferer.

CELEBRITY SPOT

You can't fly to Marbs and not hunt down a TOWIE star — especially if, like me, you've never missed an episode. I headed to Olivia's La Cala — the restaurant owned by Elliot Wright (former show regular and cousin of Mark Wright). Wearing Gucci loafers and white skinny jeans, Elliot showed us to our table, sandwiched among happy hen parties.







The food was tasty, but what we loved most is the way it switches from a restaurant to a nightclub. The only downside was that I didn't get to see TOWIE alumni James Argent perform. A week later and I'd have seen him serenading Harry Maguire's future bride Fern Hawkins on her hen do. Instead, we watched Tony Capo and the Masquerade Duo.

OUT AND ABOUT

If you're looking to immerse yourself in some Spanish culture, take a trip to Marbella's Old Town. You'll find white-washed

buildings lining the narrow streets, adorned with colourful flowers and palm trees — basically an Instagrammer's dream backdrop. Head to the main square, Plaza de los Naranjos — which dates back to 1485 — and find a seat on one of the many restaurant terraces for a bowl of paella and a glass of sangria. We recommend Casa del Corregidor — a family-run eatery that's been around for nearly 100 years. It's the perfect spot for some people watching.

Afterwards, meander round the 400+ stores and pick up some cute souvenirs to help you remember your dreamy Marbella trip forever.

A RESTFUL OASIS

Kempinski Hotel Bahia is located a 20-minute drive from Marbella and feels like a calm oasis. My

spacious room had an incredible sea view from the balcony and a giant bathtub. I also appreciate any hotel where the toilet has its own door, separate from the sink and therefore the home of the toothbrush. (I'm not a fan of those so-called fancy accommodations where you're on view to your holiday roommate!)

I hardly spent any time in the room though, as there's so much more to explore – three pools, a spa facility, a gym and three restaurants. More importantly, the beach bar serves frozen piña coladas and the breakfast buffet includes multiple doughnut flavours. The pools never felt too busy so I was able to practise my butterfly stroke in peace. Sadly, there's a "no diving" rule, so it's maybe not the right hotel for you if you're a Tom Daley wannabe.

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IT'S WRITTEN IN THE STARS!

CAPRICORN



Dec 22 - Jan 20 strong dream could have

message for you

becomes more of an issue for you after the 20th. Don't let frustration make you spend more money that you would like on the 22nd.

TAURUS

Apr 21 - May 21



If you're a Taurus baby, a dream could special а message for you on the 4th. Money might

be coming your way on the 9th. Don't let authority figures boss you around on the 22nd.

VIRGO

Aug 24 - Sep 23



You are especially creative on the 2nd do something with it. You are wonderfully intuitive on the 8th &

29th. Folks are likely to see things your way on the 11th.

SAGITTARIUS



Creativity is yours on the 4th; writing is especially favored. Folks want to listen

Nov 23 - Dec 21

to what you have to say on the 18th. You could have an excellent time with your children on the 24th.

AQUARIUS



Jan 21 – Feb 19

Making a change that comes from within on the 5th will serve you well. Ignore the urge for

the impulse buy on the 14th for best results. You will be feeling particularly electric for a few days after the 22nd.

GEMINI



May 22 - Jun 21 powerful dream message for on the 2nd. You

intuition is especially

heightened on the 8th & the 29th. Your world gets back to normal after

LIBRA Sep 24 - Oct 23



You could have a great deal of fun on the 9th. Expect the unexpected on the 14th. Don't let the kids try and talk you into

something on the 22nd.



PISCES

Feb 20 - Mar 20

Friends have some good ideas for you on the 2nd. You are especially creative

on the 13th; try to use it. You sparkle and shine on the 24th

CANCER Jun 22 – Jul 23



Things are likely to go your way on the 2nd. Avoid extra caffeine or your sleep could be affected on the

6th. Your energy picks up noticeably after the 21st.

SCORPIO Oct 24 - Nov 22



Don't listen to any obsessive thinking that you might have on the 1st. Folks are likely to see things

your way on the 14th. Spending time with pencil and paper could some deep-seated hidden motivations to light on the 18th.

ARIES Mar 21 - Apr 20



ove is quite possibly horizon the 9th. Your energy is going to be particularly high

the 11th through the 13th; just be sure not to run others over. An outing with friends would bring much joy on the 29th.

LEO Jul 24 - Aug 23



A positive change on the job could be yours on the 5th. Avoid power plays

or they could get you into trouble on the 18th. The 29th is a great day to do something fun with your partner.







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