

# Under the Celtic Veil Dressing Guide:

Dress to enchant, honor the ancients, and step into your mystical power.



When you cross the veil on October 6th, you're entering a realm where the ancient otherworld touches our everyday reality. As a respected guest, your attire becomes part of the magic, helping you embody natural energies and connect with others who've answered the same call themselves.

# Sacred Color Palette & Mystical Textures

## Color Palette:

- **Forest & Emerald Greens** (connection to ancient lands)
- **Deep Blacks** (the mystery of Samhain season)
- **Rich Gold & Brass** (Celtic metalwork and harvest)
- **Royal Purple & Violet** (magic and transformation)
- **Accent touches:** Burgundy, copper, creams

## Textures & Fabrics:

- **Velvet** for luxury and sensuality
- **Natural linens and wools** for earthiness
- **Flowing silks** for ethereal movement
- **Rich brocades** with Celtic knotwork patterns
- **Tartans and plaids** honoring Scottish/Irish heritage



# Celtic Archetypes & Style Inspiration

## Brigid: The Sacred Feminine



*Inspiration: Brigid, sacred feminine wisdom*

Flowing gowns in deep emerald with gold Celtic knotwork trim. Think goddess-like silhouettes that honor the sacred feminine while maintaining earthly sensuality. Long sleeves, ceremonial accessories, natural stone colors.

**Key Elements:** Flowing fabrics, ritual jewelry, crowns or circlets, earth-toned makeup

## Fae Court: Ethereal Elegance



*Inspiration: Enchanted beings, whimsical nature spirits*

Delicate and shimmering fabrics like silk and chiffon in forest greens, silver, and deep blues. Adornments of leaves, flowers, and subtle sparkle. Elegant, flowing forms that suggest movement and magic.

**Key Elements:** Iridescent materials, floral headpieces, intricate silver jewelry, bare feet or delicate slippers

# Celtic Archetypes: Strength & Wisdom

## Celtic Warrior: Strength & Valor



*Inspiration: Ancient Celtic fighters, protectors of the land*

Durable leather and woven wools in earthy browns, deep reds, and forest greens. Practical yet symbolic armor with metal accents, shields, and tribal markings. Strong, grounded silhouettes that emphasize power and resilience.

**Key Elements:** Leather armguards, woven cloaks, metal torcs, war paint or subtle tribal tattoos

## Druid Mystic: Earthly Wisdom



*Inspiration: Keepers of ancient knowledge, nature's spiritual guides*

Layers of natural linen, wool, and coarse fabrics in mossy greens, stone greys, and deep earth tones. Adornments of wood, bone, and natural crystals. Garments that are both ceremonial and comfortable for wilderness living.

**Key Elements:** Hooded cloaks, staffs or staves, herbal pouches, intricate braided hair with natural elements

## Celtic Bard: Storyteller & Musician



*Inspiration: Poets, musicians, and lore-keepers of ancient Celtic tradition*

Richly colored tunics and cloaks in deep blues, burgundies, and golden yellows, often with embroidered patterns. Fabrics that allow for freedom of movement and expression. Accessories that highlight their craft, such as small instruments or quills.

**Key Elements:** Elegant tunics, ornate brooches, lyres or harps, scroll pouches, expressive hairstyles



# Styling Suggestions

## Flowing Silhouettes

- Floor-length gowns with empire waists
- Off-shoulder designs showing elegant necklines
- Flowing sleeves (bell, bishop, or angel styles)
- Layered skirts that move beautifully for dancing

## Structured Elements

- Tailored pieces with Celtic detailing
- Mixed textures (velvet bodice, silk skirt)
- Flowing tunics over fitted pants
- Long coats or robes in rich fabrics

## Rich Textures

- Rich jewel tones in velvet or silk
- Fitted bodices with dramatic skirts
- High-low hemlines for movement
- Capes or cloaks for dramatic entrances

## Universal Appeal

- Layered accessories and statement jewelry
- Natural textures with elegant lines
- Gender-fluid pieces that feel both earthly and otherworldly
- Complementary color schemes within the Celtic palette

# Accessories & Beauty



## Celtic Jewelry

- Celtic jewelry: torcs, knotwork rings, claddagh rings or pieces
- Natural elements: feathers, crystals, dried flowers
- Symbols & Tools: small athames, pentacles, moon symbols
- Cloaks or shawls for October evening warmth
- Comfortable dancing shoes (you'll be moving!)



## Hair Styling

- Braided styles with Celtic knotwork inspiration
- Flower crowns with autumn blooms and greenery
- Hair jewelry in gold, copper, or silver
- Natural textures loose waves, wild curls
- Ribbons and scarves woven through braids



## Makeup & Body Art

- Earth-toned palettes with gold highlights
- Dramatic eyes inspired by Celtic warrior paint
- Natural, glowing skin with subtle shimmer
- Temporary Celtic tattoos or henna designs
- Rich lip colors in berry, wine, or natural tones

# Practical Considerations & Cultural Respect

## Weather & Venue

- **Evening temperatures:** 65-75°F
- **Sunset:** 6:08pm
- **Bring layers:** The desert cools quickly after sunset
- **Comfortable shoes:** For outdoor bonfire area and dancing
- **Light wraps:** Shawls, cloaks, or cardigans for warmth

## Event Activities

- **Candlelight matchmaking:** Flattering lighting, easy movement
- **Bonfire circle:** Natural fabrics, layers you can adjust
- **Dancing:** Shoes you can move in, skirts that swirl
- **Outdoor elements:** Consider fabric choices for fire and earth

## Photography Tips

- **Rich colors** photograph beautifully in candlelight
- **Flowing fabrics** create gorgeous movement in photos
- **Statement jewelry** catches light and adds visual interest
- **Authentic expression** always photographs better than costume

## Celtic Heritage

If you have Celtic ancestry, this is a beautiful opportunity to honor your lineage through traditional elements like:

- Family tartan patterns
- Clan symbols or crests
- Traditional jewelry or heirloom pieces
- Regional color associations

## Cultural Sensitivity

- **Focus on the universal themes:** nature connection, seasonal celebration, mythic archetypes
- **Avoid sacred or ceremonial items** from closed practices
- **Research and respect** the history behind symbols you choose to wear
- **Channel the energy** rather than copying specific cultural dress

## Event Guidelines

- This is a 21+ event designed for fun, connection and warmth
- Weapons (real or fantasy) are not permitted bring your magic, not your blades
- All Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Native and Spiritual traditions are welcome



# Trust Your Instincts, Honor Your Body

**Trust your instincts, honor your body, and dress in a way that makes you feel both grounded in earth and touched by magic.**

Remember: You're choosing garments that help you embody your most magnetic, authentic self. The veil represents the thin space between worlds, where your everyday persona can transform into something deeper and more connected.

Whether you choose flowing priestess robes, fae court attire, or earthy druid garments, let your clothing be a bridge between your mystical and ancient selves.

Step into your power and let the veil reveal your truest self.