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Gomes (below, checking her goodie bag on May 2) agrees she has lost weight: "Good! Everyone likes to hear that," she says. "Lots of travel and lots of work, I guess, and I've got a fantastic trainer. Bikinis are an all-year-round thing for me."



After Karla Spetic's show on May 2, Gomes (second from left) went backstage to congratulate Spetic (third from left) and models.

Makeup maven Napoleon Perdis was her seat-mate at Alex Perry: "We were gibbering away; we couldn't stop talking. He was hilarious. Then he gave me some vouchers to get makeup at his shops—so nice."

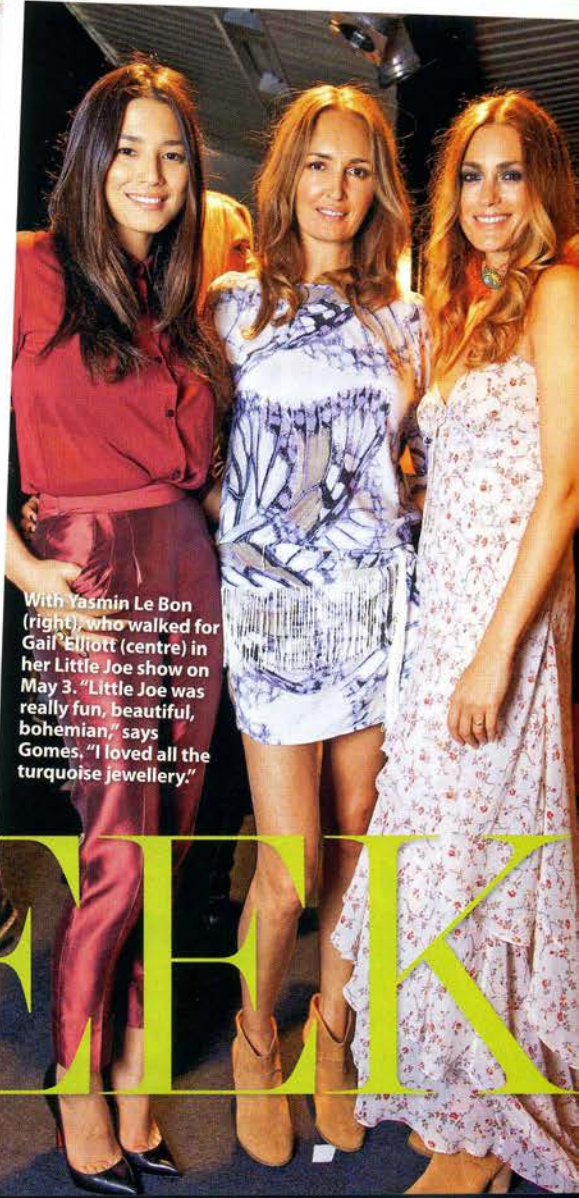
The star model heads home to catch up with Sydney designers, style and gossip

She was there for the clothes, but Rosemount fashion ambassador Jessica Gomes, the Perth-born model whose curves have been showcased in *Sports Illustrated* four times, also loved kicking back at the wine company's Botanicals Wine Bar at Sydney's Overseas Passenger Terminal between shows during Australian Fashion Week. "It's great for hanging out with the designers and fashionistas," she tells WHO on May 3, grabbing 10 minutes between duties. "It's a very chic place to hang out. Everyone's been there—Yasmin Le Bon, Kate Waterhouse—everyone."

Gomes's morning call times "were pretty early" during the week; her days started with stints in hair and makeup, followed by meetings with her stylist, Dale McKie ("he's pulling all my outfits together") and then onto the whirl of the shows. "Day One I went to see Alex Perry, Kirrily Johnston, Karla

Spetic, and they were all amazing," says Gomes, 25, who lists Ellery, Dion Lee and Camilla and Marc as her top picks. "One of my favourites was Lover at the Sydney Opera House. On an international scale, that's what makes Rosemount Australian Fashion Week in Australia so different—the locations are incredible." Did she see anything she covets for her own wardrobe? "A white dress at Camilla and Marc—it had this really cool bright-pink exposed zip at the back."

Having tied up her fashion week duties, the whirlwind continues for Gomes, who has moved from New York to Melbourne's North Carlton with her beau, property developer Sebastian Drapac. Next stop: Korea, where she will compete on the country's upcoming season of *Dancing with the Stars*. "It's pretty crazy," says Gomes. "I love that my job allows me to travel so much, but it's been great being home." ■



With Yasmin Le Bon (right), who walked for Gail Elliott (centre) in her Little Joe show on May 3. "Little Joe was really fun, beautiful, bohemian," says Gomes. "I loved all the turquoise jewellery."

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