

## **Model Behaviour - There's a new queen of the catwalk and she's here with a vengeance**

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She's the woman that's rocked the fashion world, is the new face of Mulberry, and is fast becoming a new household name throughout Britain and it's hard to believe that for Agyness Deyn this fast paced world of fashion all started in her local fish and chip shop.

Born Laura Hollins, this unconventional supermodel grew up in Rawtenstall working in the local fish and chip shop part time, earning a bit of extra pocket money, while studying Math's, Business and Theatre at All Saints Catholic Language college. It was while serving fish and chips that her journey to world domination began. Her now best friend, Henry Holland who was a regular customer of hers, spotted something special about her and she is now the face of his design company 'House of Holland'.

However her model like qualities were recognised before as she was voted 'face of Rossendale' by a competition held by her local newspaper and with her tomboy looks, unique style and peroxide cropped hair its easy to see why. It is her eye for style that has arguable brought some of that 70's flare back into the catwalk with her love for brace's, knee high socks and old school rock T's. This relaxed style is just one reason why she is so popular and admired by fashionistas throughout Britain.

She's not been on the scene long but already Agyness Deyn has caused controversy with much debate about her age. When she first appeared in our magazines and on the catwalks we were lead to believe that she was only 21, however after a facebook page set up by her fellow classmates it would appeared Miss Deyn was actually 25! Other Internet sites have also claimed she is 18 and even 24. This unknowing, is just another reason why the world is so fascinated with this young woman.

In September last year she undoubtedly stole the show at London's fashion week, strutting her stuff as the young, fun, fresh face of Mulberry and has just replaced Kate Moss in an ad campaign for Burberry. She has also just knocked Miss Moss off the top spot for best dressed as voted for by Tatler readers and has even been awarded Model of the Year at the Elle Awards 2008.

So with some of the biggest fashion awards under her belt, amazing contracts with top designers in the fashion world, and one of the biggest and up coming designers as her best friend the only way for this supermodel is up!