

Nooyi, Buffett biz icons with distinct fashion sense

US magazine Conde Nast Portfolio's features 15 business people in its 'Executive Icons' list

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They are better known for their business acumen — but people like cola queen Indra Nooyi, legendary investor Warren Buffett and tech tycoon Steve Jobs have now made it to a list of top 'executive icons' with distinctive fashion sense.

The 15 chief executives and business people, featured in a 'Executive Icons' list compiled by US magazine Conde Nast Portfolio in its web edition, also include media mogul Oprah Winfrey, Oracle CEO Larry Ellison, celebrity publisher Martha Stewart, business tycoon Donald Trump, former eBay chief Meg Whitman and actress and businesswoman Mary-Kate Olsen.



Indira Nooyi, PepsiCo

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"Love them or hate them,

the trademark turtlenecks, baseball hats, and...interesting hairstyles project the personalities of their wearers," it added.

India-origin Nooyi, who heads the world's leading soft drink firm PepsiCo, has made



Warren Buffett, Berkshire

to the list for her "silk saris."

"The Pepsi CEO's boardroom attire is not especially notable, but the silk saris she occasionally dons are," Conde Nast Portfolio said.

The list also includes Mark Zuckerberg, head of social

networking site Facebook, American Apparel CEO Dov Charney, Avon CEO Andrea Jung, "hip-hop pioneer" Russell Simmons, Countrywide co-founder Angelo Mozilo and leading video sharing portal Youtube CEO Chad Hurley.

About Jobs, whose company Apple recently launched its iconic mobile handset iPhone in India, has been described as someone whose "look is unwavering: blue jeans, black mock turtleneck (tucked in), and sneakers."

The report further said about Jobs that "his feet made news in 2006 when Jobs appeared to be shifting footwear allegiance from New Balance to Nike, but he quickly went back to his old ways."

The magazines published by Conde Nast Portfolio group

include Vogue, Glamour, Conde Nast Traveller, The New Yorker, Vanity Fair and Gourmet.

The report quoted Warren Buffet as saying, "I buy expensive suits.. They just look cheap on me."

"Good thing he's better known for his oversize, square-frame eyeglasses. Do they make him look like more of a visionary or more of a grandfather?," it said about Buffett.

Noting that Larry Ellison sometimes appears in Italian-tailored suits, the report said that his trademark look is "a T-shirt (usually black) or cashmere turtleneck under a sport jacket.

"For the billionaire entrepreneur/yacht racer/jet pilot, its a power version of casual Silicon Valley style."