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BELLA HADID

As a Malibu teen, Bella Hadid—half Dutch, half Palestinian, all American—spent her time working at a juice bar, riding horses, and “having the high school experience,” she told ELLE, or as much as that’s possible when your mom is a Real Housewife of Beverly Hills and your sister, Gigi, has a burgeoning modeling career. But once Hadid met with a modeling agent at 18, “things went a little more full force than I expected.” It’s an understated way of describing the speed with which the now 20-year-old ascended to the supernova status she currently holds: 11.2 million Instagram followers who fanatically follow her every move; more than 30 magazine covers in 2016 alone; campaigns for Topshop, Balmain, and Dior Makeup. After long looking up to ‘90s supermodels like Linda Evangelista, Hadid is now often compared to them. “There’s this extra x factor that makes these girls superstars,” designer Jeremy Scott told ELLE. “Bella has that.”



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