



BARBARA during her modelling trip

# Barbara flies in to model for fashion whizz kid Arendz

## Coloured designer gets into orbit

BARBARA Barnard left husband Chris and her two children behind in Cape Town recently to brave Durban's February heat and the hazards of wandering around a hotel still under construction.

The reason? She was on an exclusive fashion trip, modelling the latest clothes by Cape Town's hottest fashion property, 24-year-old Errol Arendz.

Errol, who until three months ago was mooching about at home scribbling an occasional design and half-heartedly putting a few dresses together, has arrived on South Africa's high fashion orbit with the impact of Halle's comet.

Not only is he the first coloured designer to break into the somewhat closed ranks of South African haute couture, but he has been snapped up by the women's magazine *Fairlady* for a big fashion splash and he has Cape Town's fashion hounds inundating his new salon with work orders.

His latest range of day and evening wear was photographed in Durban

with the soon-to-be-completed Maharani Hotel as a stylish backdrop.

"But there's no specific African influence in my designs," Errol said. "Couture fashion might use ethnic ideas, but it's an international field and I use whatever my imagination comes up with. Racial background is the last thing that affects my designs."