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INSTANT SUMMER REFRESH

It's hot out there. Bare your shoulders, mist on one of the season's energizing scents—green tea, salt air, alpine forest—and keep cool in style

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Margaret Zhang, Paris haute couture fashion week Fall 2015. Photography: Peter Stigter.

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Fast cars, overstuffed couches and well-worn saddles—the scent of leather is a masculine mainstay that rides again this season

BY NICK AVELING

Through the grand Edwardian courtyard, up the winding staircase and past a clutch of expensively kempt assistants flown in from Paris, comes perfumer Antoine Maisondieu. He picks up an amber apothecary bottle, one of several on the table in front of him, and asks me to smell.

"Zis is labdanum," he says in an oozy French drawl. "It's very sensual, and at ze same time, it's leazery."

We're in a suite at London's five-star Rosewood Hotel—seven floors of recently refurbished velvet, mahogany and fine leather upholstery—to discuss Maisondieu's latest scent, Bottega Veneta Pour Homme Extrême. He's right: I can detect leather. It smells masculine, almost aristocratic—appealing in a Don Draper meets Mr. Monopoly kind of way. Or maybe it's just the furniture. To be clear, I have no idea what I'm doing.

It's been 13 years since I last wore cologne, and even back then I wasn't so sure about it. Was I wearing too little? Too much? Were eye-watering headaches a normal reaction? Did girls prefer hints of pine or notes of pimento? I'm here to be educated, and soon Maisondieu is expounding the "Proustian phenomenon," named after his countryman Marcel Proust's writing on the time-bending effect of scent on memory.

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Long-wear, don't care! Feel free all summer long, thanks to makeup that won't move

When tattoo artist Kat Von D launched her eponymous makeup line in 2008, little did she know that she was changing the game.

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1 | KAT VON D EVERLASTING LIQUID LIPSTICK IN "AYESHA"

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3 | KAT VON D TATTOO LINER IN "TROOPER"

Black eyeliner is a makeup bag staple that showed up on the Fall 2015 runways in unlimited iterations. This ultra-black liquid pen version, with a brush tip applicator, is perfect a 24-hour wear geometric look straight off the runways.

4 | KAT VON D INK LINER IN "TROOPER"

For a graphic update on the traditional cat eye, experiment with Kat Von D's Ink Liner. Its long-wear waterproof formula and felt tip applicator make for foolproof applications that dry quickly and last all day.



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MONTH'S BEST

Blurred lines

Backstage between shows at Fall 2015 fashion week in Toronto, makeup artist Grace Lee was giddy with excitement. “Just you wait: We have some amazing products coming up,” teased Lee, who’s Maybelline’s lead artist for Canada and worked 30 shows that week. “I can’t show you them yet, but they are awesome.”

When the bundle of Color Blur pencils landed on my desk, I texted her immediately; they had to be what she’d alluded to. Pigment-packed, with a featherlight, velvety texture that’s applied like a crayon, they have an “eraser” on one end to gently soften the colour at the border of the lips, enabling a slightly blurry, faded look that comes naturally after sipping red wine or sucking on a cherry Popsicle. “Yes!” came Lee’s response. “They are the BOMBBBBBBBB!”

She’s not wrong: The 10 shades run from deep maroon to coral and neon pink, and the smudgability makes them the ideal tool to emulate the vibrant fuchsia ombre lips Lee created for Hayley Elsesser’s fall show. Or for a perfect Cab-Franc-esque stain, concentrate Plum, Please in the centre of the lips and blend out to a naked edge, à la Bottega Veneta’s runway look. Either way, my ring finger, perpetually stained from perfectly smudging my lipstick, is officially liberated from duty. —Alex Larus. Photography by Amber Hickson.

TWEET OF THE WEEK

“Actually I don’t have big breasts. Just great push up bras 😊”

@NICKIMINAJ, July 29, 2015

BEAUTY MATH

A wavy lob and juicy fuchsia lips add up to a look we love



A CLIPLESS WAVER LIKE **BOUTIQUE BY CONAIR JADE** CERAMIC 1-INCH CURL WAND, \$70, SHOPPERS DRUG MART



A SATURATED LIP COLOUR LIKE **ANASTASIA BEVERLY HILLS** LIQUID LIPSTICK IN PARTY PINK, \$26, ANASTASIABEVERLYHILLS.COM



Actor Freida Pinto aced daytime elegance at the Amazon Prime Summer Soiree in Los Angeles. Spritz dry hair with heat-protecting spray and brush it through. Hold a waver wand upside down, and wrap two-inch sections of hair away from the face, starting a few inches below the root and leaving the ends straight. Allow to cool, mist with hairspray and run your fingers through to break the curls. Exfoliate lips with a scrub or washcloth and apply a full-coverage magenta liquid lipstick. —Natasha Bruno

TALKING POINT



#BTS OF THE KIT COMPACT WITH PHOTOG FELIX WONG

HOT OFF THE PRESS

Big things are happening at *The Kit*: We have a new editor-in-chief (welcome, Laura deCarufel) and a new logo (farewell, pink square), and we’re launching a new monthly mag in September (hello, *The Kit Compact*). Available in Toronto and at thekit.ca, *The Kit Compact* will be packed with cutting-edge shoots, thoughtful features, street-style inspo and the hottest beauty and fashion buys. (In other words: It’s essential.) We’re also celebrating our fifth anniversary in October, so look out for a special mega issue brimming with your favourite features and fun new surprises. Cheers!



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LANVIN SPRING 2015



PREEN SPRING 2015

ONE TREND, TWO WAYS

MID BUNS

A sleek chignon halfway between the crown and the neck will effortlessly see you through a summer of sky-high temps.

1. Clip art at Lanvin

For natural wisps, hairstylist Guido Palau worked a texturizing paste into damp hair before blow-drying. Next, he raked the hair back with his fingertips and twisted the ends until they spiralled into a knot. He fastened it in place with bobby pins and slid a simple gold hair comb just underneath the chignon.

2. Crimp knot at Preen

Hairstylist Syd Hayes combed the hair straight back into a tight ponytail, slicking down the top and sides with a strong-hold gel. He then crimped the entire tail before folding it into a bun, leaving a few inches loose, and secured the base with bobby pins. —Natasha Bruno



SEPHORA COLLECTION DAY TO NIGHT BARRETTE, \$10, SEPHORA. **PHYTO** PROFESSIONAL STRONG SCULPTING GEL, \$26, SHOPPERS DRUG MART



Oscar de la Renta

New creative director Peter Copping tapped 40-year-old supermodel Carolyn Murphy for his first campaign.

Manolo Blahnik

The King of Shoes has added a capsule collection of six bejewelled evening bags to the label’s accessories roster.

Saint Laurent

The house is reviving its couture line, but creative director Hedi Slimane will decide which private clients may place orders.

Balenciaga

After less than three years with the house, Alexander Wang is said to be leaving, and Spring 2016 may be his last collection.

Hermès

Birkin Bag namesake Jane Birkin wants her name off the crocodile-skin purse due to allegedly inhumane production practices.





SUMMER SCENT SPECIAL

Tea time

Green, black or white: Perfumers are savouring the brew. We take a new batch of scents to a tea sommelier for a sniff test to see what's in the leaves

BY DEBORAH FULSANG

Asked to describe tea in five words, Kristi Grotsch, tea-sommelier-in-training at the Shangri-La Hotel in Toronto, chooses "special, personal, beneficial, welcoming and spiritual." The same adjectives could well be applied to a great scent. We have rendezvoused over tea to speak about the beverage's recent infusion into the world of perfumery—like the tea you sip, the tea you wear can also be white and floral; black, smoky and earthy; or crisp and near-bitter green.

Perfumers' taste for tea has been brewing for a while. Atelier Cologne made the beverage sexy in 2010 with its Oolang Infini, which mixed Chinese tea with citrus, flowers, wood and musk. Jo Malone's Sugar & Spice collection of 2013 was inspired by British high tea; last year's By Kilian Imperial Tea celebrated the delicacy of jasmine-scented leaves. Elizabeth Arden recognized the appeal of green tea back in 1999 with its fragrance Elizabeth Arden Green Tea. "I like the simplicity

of it," says its creator, master perfumer Francis Kurkdjian, who is not a big tea drinker but does enjoy an iced green tea. The latest twist on the long-standing scent, Elizabeth Arden Green Tea Bamboo, boosts the greenness with violet leaves, cucumber, moss and orris.

In fact, many of the newest tea-noted fragrances return to green blends. "I like it," says Grotsch, blindly sniffing Annick Goutal's new L'île au Thé. "There are hints of white floral. It reminds me of when I went to Sri Lanka and we were driving up to the tea plantation through the tea fields." Wow, she is good: In fact, this eau de toilette takes inspiration from the tea plantations of South Korea and adds mandarin, musk and white osmanthus blooms.

Next she smells Teazzurra, the latest Aqua Allegoria scent from Guerlain. "This is definitely green tea," says Grotsch. "It reminds me of the steamed leaves of Japanese green versus the Chinese pan-fried tea. There is wetness, dewiness." In keeping with the Aqua Allegoria signature, this is a fresh, almost tropical fragrance that is breezy but warm and elegant, with jasmine, violet, vanilla and mate absolute.

Grotsch asks if I'd like to try another selection from the hotel's 68-variety tea menu. "Growing up in a Chinese family, drinking tea was something we would do on a daily basis," she says. "Every Sunday, I would go for high tea with my grandmother. She would always enjoy the traditional Chinese black pu-erh." Grotsch's own favourite is Lapsang souchong, a black variety that smells of campfires, good cigars and whisky.

So on to black tea: Grotsch zooms in on it in the next mystery scent. "Earl Grey, maybe, with citrus, maybe tangerine?" The new Hugo Boss Hugo Woman is indeed made with smoky Indian black tea, plus fruit—boysenberry, black plum and, yes, sparkling mandarin. To counter that juiciness, there is a dry wood base of cedar, sandalwood and amber.

Alas, a snag prevented a white-tea-noted perfume from arriving in time for Grotsch to nose—the new Molton Brown Blossoming Honey-suckle & White Tea. "White tea is very special," Grotsch says. "It's not fermented at all. It's picked and it is the purest and rarest of teas. It's very subtle and elegant; sort of semisweet."

Now that sounds like a perfect perfume.



GUERLAIN AQUA ALLEGORIA TEAZZURRA EAU DE TOILETTE, \$70 (75 ML), GUERLAIN BOUTIQUES; MOLTON BROWN BLOSSOMING HONEYSUCKLE & WHITE TEA EAU DE TOILETTE, \$65 (50 ML), MOLTONBROWN.COM; ELIZABETH ARDEN GREEN TEA BAMBOO EAU DE TOILETTE SPRAY, \$56 (100 ML), DRUGSTORES; HUGO BOSS HUGO WOMAN EAU DE PARFUM, \$75 (50 ML), HUGO BOSS BOUTIQUES; MAISON MARTIN MARGIELA REPLICA TEA ESCAPE, \$115 (100 ML), SEPHORA.COM; YVES ROCHER UN MATIN AU JARDIN THE VERT EAU DE TOILETTE, \$32 (100 ML), YVESROCHER.CA

THAT NEW LEATHER SMELL

Continued from cover



The power of smell to evoke the past is a subject he's keen to discuss, and one that presents the perfumer's central challenge: If smell is tied to individual experience, can two people share a response to one scent? "It's completely subjective," says Maisondieu. "For me, a smell could evoke summer, but for someone else it's going to evoke winter." Pine, pimento—take your pick.

Labdanum, a key ingredient in Pour Homme Extrême, provides a particularly telling case study. Two thousand years ago, around the time a mysterious star appeared in the sky above Bethlehem, the resinous oil was known as myrrh. It smells musky, rich—not the wisest gift for a newborn, I'd have thought. Nevertheless, for generations the scent connoted a bouncing baby Jesus. Today, it's something entirely different, used to represent masculinity.

Extrême's predecessor, Pour Homme, was designed to evoke the impossibly specific smell of "a house in the Dolomites with the window open. You have alpine air passing, but you have also the smell of the inside of the house: fire, wood," says Maisondieu. Extrême dials up the spicy, "leazery" notes.

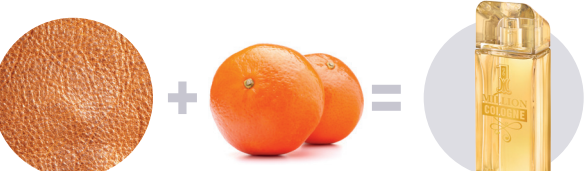
To me, it smells fresh, outdoorsy, and in the weeks since our discussion it has come to recall my trip to the Rosewood, and the perfumer himself. More importantly, and against all Proustian odds, women (plural) seem to respond to it.

RAW HIDE

Whether it's a handbag or fresh-from-the-dealer leather seats, the scent is irresistible for men and women alike. Here, five new ways to enjoy those deep, rich notes.



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SALON-STYLE HAIR

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Add a boost of summer's best trends to your look while you treat yourself to salon-quality hair at home

Summer is the time to let your hair down and experiment—with colour, texture and more. This season let Shoppers Drug Mart be your go-to destination for top-level hair care.

1. Got Curves?

We can't stop looking at Rihanna and Beyoncé's shape. And we're not talking about their notable figures. Both pop sensations know the power of glamorous, bouncy curls, rocking them on red carpets all over the globe. Enhance the locks you were given with Sally Hershberger Major Body 3-in-1 Spray, which is infused with caffeine, and works to extend your blow out, refresh hair and add major volume.

2. Beach Bound

Instagram is currently full of gals showing off their naturally textured beach gal (we're looking at you, Gigi Hadid!). Create beautifully messy waves by starting with a moisturizing shampoo like OGX® Hydrate + Repair Argan Oil of Morocco Extra Strength Shampoo.

3. Go Up!

The topknot is still tops, but this summer's iteration has us twisted, in a good way! For a glam take on '90s grunge, gather the hair just above your temples and create a messy topknot with only half your hair. Keep the bottom hair loose or tucked behind your ears, and finish the look with Nexxus® MAXXIMUM® Super Hold Finishing Mist for touchable, summer-perfect strands.

4. Pony Perfection

Make the most of day two and three locks by trying a bouncy ponytail. To keep hair feeling fresh between washes, spray Batiste™ Original Dry Shampoo into your hands, work through your roots. Next, take a curling iron to your ends and let cool, then gather everything into an elastic at the back of your head (the higher, the bouncier!), and let the whisps fall where they may.

5. Parting Ways

Deep side parts add drama to summer waves and sleek locks, seen on red carpet faves like Frieda Pinto, Jessica Alba and Michelle Williams. Create a fuller looking part (or cover thinning hair) by applying Topik® Hair Building Fibers, a coloured Keratin fibre that is wind, rain and perspiration resistant.

6. Insta Rich

As Kendall Jenner's popularity continues to rise (hello, over 30 million Instagram followers!), the requests for a rich, brown hair hue such as hers has also been on the rise. Get attention grabbing, glossy brown locks in just 10 minutes with L'Oréal Paris® Casting Crème Gloss® Haircolour.



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ADVERTORIAL

FEELING FRESH

Clinical drugstore antiperspirants these are not. With plant-based scents and aluminum-free formulations, these decadent deodorants will help you elevate your morning routine

BY VERONICA SAROLI



Spray of flowers

The deodorant form of this fragrance, a blend of sweet pea, jasmine and sandalwood, works under the arms or spritzed on the neck and wrists in a pinch. It's no wilting flower, though—it lasts all day, even through a tough workout.

CARVEN L'EAU DE TOILETTE LIGHT DEODORANT, \$30, HOLT RENFREW

Cream dream

Lovefresh's adored all-natural deodorant in a pot is now available in stick form. (You'll still need to seal the sweet-smelling deal by massaging in the paste.) Coconut oil and baking soda control odour, and citrus essential oils leave you feeling fresh.

LOVEFRESH NATURAL CREAM DEODORANT IN MANDARIN LIME, \$24, LOVEFRESH.COM

Borrowed from the boys

This alcohol-free stick absorbs quickly and fights odour with organic cedar extract (a bitter Corsican lemon that has a hint of woody cedar). It's meant for men, but the zingy citrus scent is refreshing for everyone.

L'OCCITANE CEDRAT STICK DEODORANT, \$24, LOCCITANE.CA

GOOD ENOUGH TO EAT

Foodie scents have been making our mouths water for a while, but it's not about cupcakes anymore. We talk to perfumers to find out the newest ways to combine food and fragrance

BY VERONICA SAROLI

1. Smelling salts

Briny perfumes based on the taste and smell of salt are a swelling trend, says Marie Duron, director of perfume development at L'Oréal in New York. Look for notes such as olive, the synthetic note cascalone, castoreum (a natural material smelling of leather and black olive) and mineral ingredients.

TRY: JO MALONE WOOD SAGE & SEA SALT COLOGNE, \$45 (100 ML), HOLT RENFREW; DOLCE & GABBANA LIGHT BLUE SWIMMING IN LIPARI EAU DE TOILETTE SPRAY, \$77 (75 ML), SHOPPERS DRUG MART



2. You are what you eat

Whatever your perfume, last night's dinner could change the way it smells in the morning. It's not your body chemistry, it's the food you eat that impacts fragrance interaction with skin, says perfumer Annie Buzantian. Be aware of the scent-disrupting potential of aromatic—and delicious—foods like garlic and curry, and even what's in your medicine cabinet. "If you take heavy doses of vitamins, your skin smells."



TRY: JUICY COUTURE I AM JUICY COUTURE, \$110 (100 ML), THEBAY.COM

3. Gourmand scents go luxe

Many perfumers are over sugary scents and are using creamy, woody notes to tap into our cravings. "It's becoming more sophisticated; less 'Here's a dollop of whipped cream' and more like an amber-y, textural, gourmand sensation," says fragrance-trend expert Justin Welch. He points to Juicy Couture's latest, which turns French pink pralines "gold" with amber.



ONE-MINUTE MIRACLE

Dear Lush Life's a Beach Body Scrub: I'm an avid user of scrubs; they're my in-shower therapy, especially during summer with all of its skin-flaunting. So when you showed up on my desk, I was keen to take you for a spin. First off, thank you kindly for not containing plastic microbeads, which

are damaging the Great Lakes. Instead, you exfoliate with real sand and sea salt, which instantly transports me beachside. Your vanilla and caramel scent perks me up in the mornings; your coarse, grainy texture is ideal for rough spots like feet, knees, elbows and hands. My newly softened skin is ready to be shown off. Sincerely, Natasha Bruno

LUSH COSMETICS LIFE'S A BEACH BODY SCRUB, \$7, LUSH STORES

PHOTOGRAPHY: STOCKPHOTO (FRAGRANCE NOTES: TEA)

VANITIES

No sweat

Fitness aficionado and model Adrienne Ho has built an empire (okay, a serious online following) by working it while working out

BY CARLY OSTROFF



As anyone who’s browsed her website, Sweat the Style, knows, fitness blogger and model Adrienne Ho is the picture of health. Her regular post-workout glow aside, looking good begins from within for the Toronto-born, Los-Angeles-based 28-year-old. “It’s important to eat well, drink enough water and get lots of sleep; that’s the way to put any face forward,” says Ho, a former *Kit* cover girl who launched her blog in 2013. If Ho has the toned abs and sculpted legs to show for her interval training and boxing regimen, she also has the dewy complexion, groomed brows and glossy hair of someone who has searched out the best sunscreens, mascaras and BB creams to withstand her active lifestyle.

As a long-time health advocate, Ho is conscious of what’s in the beauty products she uses,



WHAT’S ON ADRIANNE HO’S VANITY?

- 1. **NARS BRONZING POWDER** IN LAGUNA, \$48, NARSCOSMETICS.COM
- 2. “I spray this on my arms, shoulders and a little bit around my cheeks. If I’m going out at night or even during the day, it gives that natural glow.” **NUXE DRY OIL** HUILE PRODIGIEUSE, \$45, DRUGSTORES
- 3. **COOLA SPORT SPF 35 CITRUS MIMOSA MINERAL SUNSCREEN**, \$42, MADISONBEAUTYSTUDIO.COM
- 4. “I rotate through a lot of mascaras, but I use this one when I work out because it doesn’t smudge.” **TARTE LIGHTS, CAMERA, LASHES 4-IN-1 MASCARA**, \$25, TARTE.COM
- 5. **TWEEZERMAN MINI SLANT** TWEEZERS, \$17, TWEEZERMAN.CA
- 6. “My hair is a little bit wavy and curly, and argan oil stops it from getting too frizzy.” **JOSIE MARAN 100 PER CENT PURE ARGAN OIL LIGHT**, \$60, SEPHORA.CA
- 7. **SHISEIDO EYELASH CURLER**, \$20, DRUGSTORES
- 8. **BURT’S BEES HAND SALVE**, \$13, BURTSBEES.CA

and she treats her skin well. “I feel like if you’re putting something on your skin, it should be as natural and as nourishing as possible,” she says. “I’m always on the lookout for alternatives that have fewer chemicals.” When she’s working out first thing, she’ll go with a fresh, makeup-free face. That said, after a full day at the office—castings, shoots—she’ll just use a wipe to quickly cleanse her skin before hitting the gym. “I’ll usually still have a bit of eyeliner or mascara left on,” she says. Growing up, she wasn’t so laid-back about her appearance. “When I was younger, I always wanted something else from what I had, so I would straighten my hair or try to change my features,”

says Ho, whose background is French and Chinese. “Now that I’m getting older, going with my natural look has become my best approach for beauty.” That includes air-drying her wavy hair, which she washes daily after her workouts, and highlighting features without trying to alter them. She looks to pro athletes for inspiration. “I love how most athletes’ beauty looks are natural and effortless. I think [WNBA player] Sky Diggins is really beautiful.” Putting health and fitness first is really Ho’s beauty secret: “At the end of the day, if your skin isn’t healthy and doesn’t have a natural glow, no makeup is going to give you something totally different.”

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- 2. **Evian Brumisateur Facial Spray**
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- will instantly induce a beautiful glow.
- 3. **Illumalift Brightening Cream**
This Canadian brand has created a primer that brightens the skin, while its active ingredients work to minimize the signs of aging by helping to enhance collagen production. Talk about a multi-tasker.
- 4. **Marc Anthony Hydrating Coconut Oil & Shea Butter Moisture Rich Body Butter Dual Packs**
Give skin some extra love this season with the help

- of an ultra-rich coconut oil, shea butter and chamomile-infused body butter. Silky smooth skin is definitely in this summer.
- 5. **Saint Cosmetics Eye Shadows**
It’s all about the eyes! Play with pops of colour thanks to this assortment of eight vegan shadows from local brand Saint Cosmetics.
- 6. **Avon MagiX Face Perfector SPF 20**
Smooth the look of fine lines and pores with this SPF-infused primer that scores high with Avon’s very loyal fan base.

- 7. **Pureology Colour Fanatic Multi-Tasking Hair Beautifier for Colour-Treated Hair**
Whether you colour your hair on the regular or like to add pops of a pastel hue here and there, Pureology’s Colour Fanatic treatment spray boasts 21 essential benefits that work to perfect and protect your strands for longer lasting colour.
- 8. **REDKEN Frizz Dismiss Fly-Away Fix Finishing Sheets**
This big beauty trend is one we can get behind! The new REDKEN Frizz

- Dismiss dryer-like sheets utilize lavender oil to help tame frizz and flyaways in one easy, smooth-inducing application.
- 9. **Hawaiian Tropic Silk Hydration Face Lotion SPF 30**
Lightweight and oil-free, Hawaiian Tropic’s Silk Hydration broad spectrum face lotion not only protects against UVA and UVB rays, but the luxe formula provides 12 hours of hydration.
- 10. **Rene Furterer Okara Active Light Shampoo**
Give highlighted and

- bleached hair a natural boost of hydration thanks to honey extract and Okara, a protein found in soybeans, while this lightweight shampoo works to repair damaged hair. Soft, silky strands await.
- 11. **Barefoot Venus All Cracked Up Repairing Cocoa Butter Foot Balm**
Help maintain your summer pedicure with the help of a peppermint oil-infused rich foot balm. Non-greasy and good for sensitive skin, this is the ultimate indulgent treat for your feet.

WEEKEND UPDATE

OFF-THE-SHOULDER

It's time to shrug off those straps. With full collarbones on display, this look showcases plenty of skin without being too revealing

BY NATASHA BRUNO



- 1. Peekaboo**
The exposed shoulders, hint of midriff and balloon sleeves on Leandra Medine's blouse put a twist on the classic white dress shirt. Paired with denim cut-offs and worn-in sneakers, the outfit has a laid-back vibe.
- 2. One-sided**
Yasmin Sewell's off-one-shoulder, asymmetrical neckline adds a subtle dose of sexiness to her elegant off-white midi dress.
- 3. Not-so-mellow yellow**
Kate Hudson's fitted canary knit top and floral-print pencil skirt pack a sunny, figure-flaunting punch that's date-night ready.
- 4. Ruffled up**
The oversized flounce on Jamie Chung's button-up chambray dress takes the shoulder-baring silhouette up a flirty notch.
- 5. Blue belle**
The unique curved neckline, short sleeves and striking cobalt hue put Aimee Song's structured mini squarely on the cocktail-party circuit.
- 6. The extras**
Katy Perry's blush fedora, cream-rimmed shades and striped flat-form sandals infuse a loose crop top and printed midi skirt with chic ease.

The It items
This graphic floral shoulder-kissing top paired with a matching bell bandage skirt is sure to make a statement after dark. Stick to a black clutch and pumps so these eye-catching separates can do the talking.

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BODY CARE

BIKINI-LINE BANDITS

Pool days and cottage weekends mean skin that rarely sees the light of day is on display. Keep sensitive areas smooth and healthy with our guide to dismissing ingrown hairs

BY RANI SHEEN

If you know the pain and inconvenience of constantly ingrowing hairs, you probably have less-than-pleasant associations with the words "bikini season." "When hair is trimmed close to the skin, it often develops a sharp or barbed surface, making it prone to curling inward underneath the epidermis, as opposed to out of the skin," says Dr. Shannon Humphrey, clinical assistant professor in the Department of Dermatology and Skin Science at the University of British Columbia. Those with curly, thick or dark hair are more prone. "When it curls in, it creates a foreign-body response—redness, bumps, pus, tenderness, etc." Short of booking in for regular vajacials (which are worth a try if you're ingrown-plagued), here's how to keep them at bay.

Protect and prevent

If you suffer from ingrown hairs around the bikini line, exfoliation can help. Take a dime-sized amount of sugar scrub and gently massage into the skin all over the bikini area where you have removed hair. (Trust us, you don't need more than that.) "It reduces the dead-skin layer and reduces the chance of the hair curling in on itself."



hairs is to stop shaving or waxing altogether. "This isn't a popular solution, but it is one that works every single time! The next best alternative is laser hair removal. This is an option



It's not a good idea to go digging around with a needle or tweezers. "Anything that increases trauma increases the risk of infection and scarring."

Speed up the healing

A warm washcloth compress can help if the hair is trying to poke through the skin. "It can soften the skin and allow a quicker resolution." It's not a good idea to go digging around with a needle or tweezers. "Anything that increases trauma increases the risk of infection and scarring."

Reconsider your removal

The easiest way to eliminate ingrown

for some, but not all, patients. If you remove the hair at the follicle, not only is the area hairless, but there's also no risk for ingrown hairs."

Seek help when necessary

Keep an eye on your bikini line. "If there is a lesion you suspect is an ingrown hair that has persisted for longer than two weeks, appears to be growing in size, is very tender or is producing pus, see your dermatologist."



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