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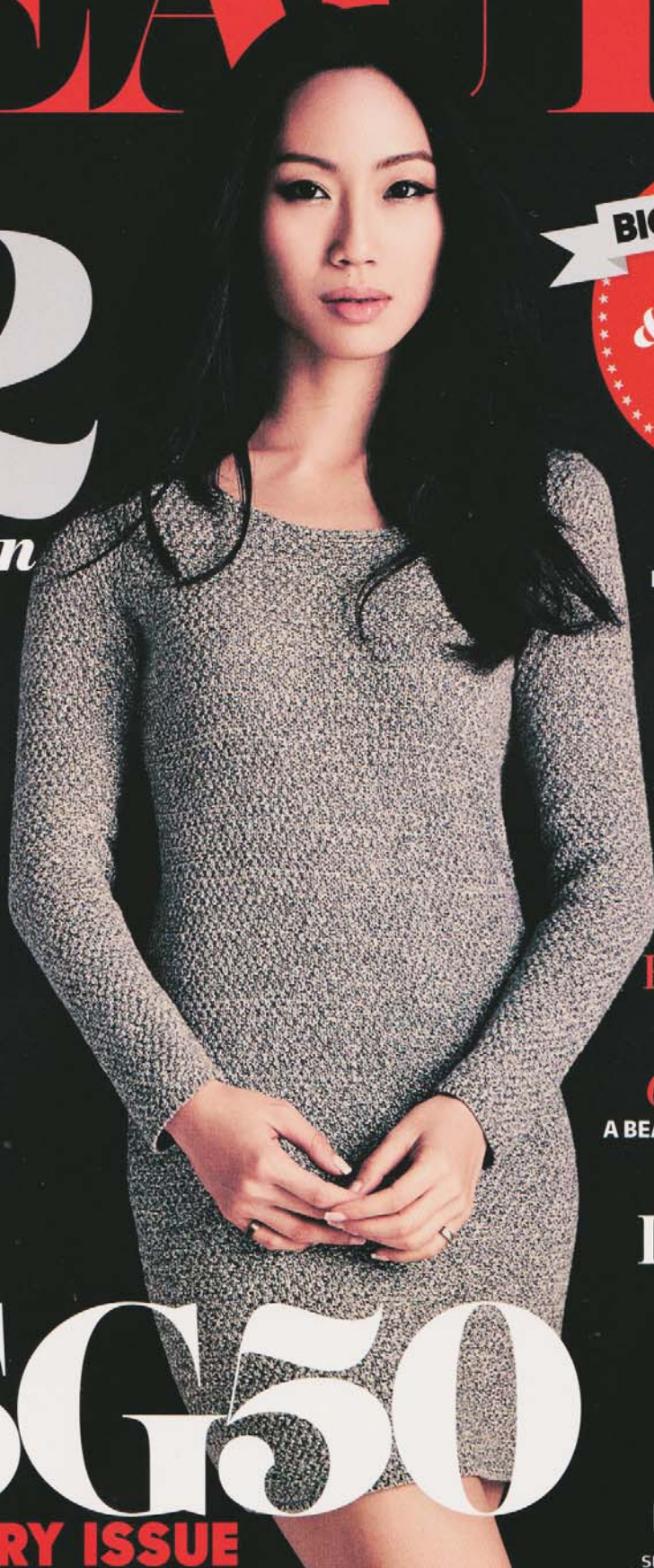
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RADIANT WEDDING MAKEUP LOOKS FOR EVERY BRIDE

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Wour wedding day is one of the most important occasions in your life, and planning your bridal makeup looks together with your wedding gown and accessories are part of the fun and happiness in this joyous occasion.

As the bride, you are the star of your wedding and will be the most photographed person at the event. Memories of this special day will live on in many photographs and videos taken during your wedding.

To look your best, you should prepare ahead and avoid common makeup mishaps. A bride should look like herself - at her most beautiful, yet her makeup should be extraordinary on this special occasion.

Do not make the mistake of going for a too natural and minimalist look. Bridal makeup needs to have sufficient colour in order for the bride not to look "washed out" against her white wedding gown.

Extremely neutral colours like gentle browns and pale/nude lipstick colours may turn up looking flat and nondescript in photographs. The desired effect is to use enough colour to make the bride look radiant, glowing, vibrant and beautiful on her wedding day and in her wedding photographs.

On the other hand, one should also try not to go for makeup trends or use too

"heavy" makeup on her wedding day. It is safer to go for a more "classic" look as wedding photographs will be displayed for decades to come. A makeup look that requires too much highlighting and contouring *ala* the Kim Kardashian look may come across as excessively harsh. A bride should reflect a soft vibrant beauty that is timeless, modern and relevant.

Bridal makeup artists love using cream foundation as they provide coverage, are long lasting and conceal skin imperfections. A thin layer of makeup primer applied just before foundation will help to create that movie star dewy skin.

Don't forget to pair your makeup with your choice of bridal hairstyle. Are you wearing it down or upswept? Loose cascading curls, pin straight or styled with waves? Have fun trying out hairstyles with different hair accessories such as crystal clips, tiaras, fresh flowers, pearls and lace. The choices are endless!

Some popular bridal makeup looks include:

THE ALL NATURAL BARE FACED BEAUTY:

This look reflects the bride's beautiful glowing skin and eyes. The makeup is light and fresh with a focus on the bride's natural beauty. You can enhance this look by adding a subtle cream shimmer on top of the apples of your cheekbones. Blend well and you will have the most incredible healthy, happy, natural bare-faced look.

THE SWEET AND SEXY SMOKY EYE:

The emphasis of this look is on the smoky eye changed up for bridal makeup. Instead of heavy black eyeliner, you can use shades like dark greys to create that soft smoky eye look. Finish it up with natural looking false eyelashes and maybe a light pinkish red lipstick with lip gloss for a classic sexy but sweet look.

BRIGHT EYES

Create the feel of the sixties French Rivera *ala* Brigitte Bardot with this makeup. A subtle flick at the eye's outer corner end will create a sexy cat eye effect. Pair it with a rosy blush and rosy hued lipstick for a playful and cute look. Perfect for a beach wedding!

THE GLAMOUROUS BRIDE

The glamorous bride aims to make a big impact. The hallmark of the glamorous bride is the siren red lipstick and strong eye makeup. To prevent the look from going over the top, choose muted eyeshadow colours that will balance out the siren lips.

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