

5 Steps to perfect wedding day Make-Up

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So, you are getting married!

It will be one of the biggest days of your life! All of the attention will be on you, the bride, and your glorious beauty that day. It's a day for glamour and fun!

I want to help you look your BEST.

For 6 years now, I have been a professional Makeup Artist, working for MAC Cosmetics, and also independently. Over the years, I have done makeup for countless brides and wedding parties. I'm going to go over all the tips and tricks I tell brides to help with skin care and makeup application the day of the wedding. I want your makeup to look as amazing as possible, so I need your skin to look as amazing as possible!

Thank you for sharing your advice, Tiffany!

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1 Hydrate

Hydrate- I can't reiterate this enough to women for their special day! I know this seems so little and small and why would a makeup artist tell you this?! As brides, we get so busy around the wedding and so focused on all the details the two weeks before that we forget to put down the coffee and drink a lot of water. I have sat down with women at their trial makeup run and the skin is plump and hydrated and then the day of, the skin looks dry and flaky. Water makes a HUGE difference in your skin care. Please do not forget to drink a ton of water, especially the week before the wedding.

2 Exfoliate

Okay, so your skin type and the season affect this one, but this is an important step. I apply makeup; I'm not a magician. I can't take away your flaky dead skin cells. That is all you! If you want the makeup to look amazing, then you need your skin prepped for the makeup. Meaning, get rid of the dead skin so the makeup looks like skin, not skin with makeup sitting on top of it. I always recommend my clients to try and exfoliate their skin months before the wedding, just in case they have a bad reaction, so we can fix that way before the wedding. I also recommend the bride exfoliates two weeks before, and again a week before the wedding, so we have "clean" skin.

3 Moisturize

Another one that seems simple right?! Well, in my 6 years experience SO many grown women do not use moisturizer. So, I'm not judging if you don't, I'm just telling you, use it :) Every morning and every night! It makes a HUGE difference in your skin and helps the makeup melt into your skin a lot easier.

4 Prep!

A lot of the times, the makeup artist will ask a client, "What look are you going for? More natural or dramatic?" This is where prep comes in on the bride's part. Look on Pinterest, look under natural looks and dramatic looks so you can get an idea of what you really want. Yes, we can always recommend colors for you but it's important to get an idea of what you want for your big day so we can navigate that look for you. What is dramatic to me might not mean the same to you! Pictures always help the makeup artist.

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5 Make-up washes off

A bride should always get a trial. This is your time to sit down and focus on what you want and how you want to look for the big day. I always tell clients, "The best thing about makeup is, it washes off; nothing is permanent." A trial is a great way to explore colors you want to wear but may be unsure of. If you want to take a chance on a red lip for the reception but you're not sure of what color, tell the makeup artist. You can try it on and see if you like it! Remember: this day is for you... the ceremony and reception, so try a different look if you want! If you are unhappy after seeing your makeup, or wearing it for a couple hours, please tell your makeup artist. Again, it washes off and you can start over!

Congrats,
Brides!

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