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Easy Holiday Glamour

By Julia Rosien

Pregnant women are supposed to glow, but the sad truth is many of us wilt. If you're feeling a little desperate this holiday season, Don Malot, makeup artist to our favorite "desperate housewife," Teri Hatcher, says pregnant women and celebrities have a lot in common when it comes to going out for the evening. "Both want long-lasting makeup because they have more important things to worry about."

Evening Eyes

Weight gain is about as welcome (and predictable) as your great aunt's fruitcake, so learn the fine art of diversion. A thin line of shimmer just below the brow coaxes admirers to look past the baggage compartments under your chin and into your eyes instead. Malot says to keep it natural and use soft shimmers in pearlescent pastels (save the sparkle for your teenage niece). "Teri loves a more natural look and stays age appropriate whatever she does," Malot says. "Teri looks like she woke up looking that glamorous, like she's not trying that hard, even though it's makeup that gives her that look." To finish your eyes and make them look larger (and less tired), Malot suggests a thin line of color on the top lid and a smoky (or smudged) line mirrored below for definition.

Favorite Finds

Younger Looking Eyes from Amazing Cosmetics: Packaged in a slim makeup bag, this kit supplies all the tools, colors and instructions you need for picture-perfect eyes. Choose from four color stories (staff is available online



and by phone to answer questions). Available for \$72 at www.AmazingCosmetics.com.

Here Comes the Sun

Flushed cheeks take you from pretty to radiant, and layering color helps you avoid looking like a misplaced circus clown. Apply a creamy apricot or plum blush (depending on your coloring) on the apples of your cheeks before foundation, rubbing gently until a healthy glow emerges. "Finish the look with a powder blush dotted on the balls of the cheeks," Malot says. "Don't take it up to the eye or down to the nose — keep it right in the center where you normally color to give it a more natural look."

If you like a little shimmer on your face, use some from your eye shadow and dab the orbital bone that frames the eyes where light naturally reflects. Don't put it on your cheeks or extend it to the hairline. "I use the same techniques with Teri, just a little more dramatic for the camera," says Malot.

Favorite Finds

Tarte Cosmetics Glow on the Go Mini Cheekstains: This set includes a sheer rose, shimmering champagne and semi-translucent peach packaged in a lavender leatherette travel case. Available for \$30 at www.TarteCosmetics.com.

Tarte Cosmetics Dry Oil Spray: Spritz on your collarbone, décolletage and even on your legs in place of pantyhose. Gold micro-flecks add just enough glimmer to help you see your way through any soiree. Available at www.TarteCosmetics.com for \$28.



Model in a Bottle Finishing Spray: A matte finishing spray that sets your makeup for hours and is non-comedogenic (which means it won't clog your pores). It's fast drying and can be used over foundations and/or powders. Available at www.ModelinaBottle.com for \$18.

In the Nude

Metallic lips are oh so passé, and don't even remind us of penciled-in pouts. There's nothing fresher or more youthful than lips au naturel. Remember, the pucker just looks bare. A stain applied before you leave the house will emphasize your natural color and last all evening.

Malot says to begin with a bit of foundation around the lip line and then dot all around your lips with a liner in a shade one tone darker than your natural lip color. Push the dotted-on color into the foundation with your finger. Follow it with lipstick gently smudged on the lips and pushed in once again with a finger. "Let it set for a minute or so to create a stain that will last the entire evening," Malot explains. "Doing it this way avoids that unnatural line of color."

Just before you leave the house, swipe clear gloss over the top to set the color, and your lips will look as if they're glowing from within. Strobe lights are optional, but we highly recommend dancing shoes and a trail of tinsel to help you find your way home again.



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