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5 BEAUTY TRICKS

TO TRY BEFORE SUMMER'S OVER

These laid-back, easy, sexy ideas are perfect for right now (and if you get hooked on a look, we'll show you how to take it into fall).

By Cheryl Kramer Kaye Photographed by Grace Huang

TRY IT NOW **Pastel makeup**

Sea-foam green, cornflower blue—even the shade names evoke summer. “Pastels look good on everyone,” says New York City–based makeup artist Sue Pike, who created the makeup looks here. “Paler skin tones can wear virtually any pastel, and darker skin tones look especially beautiful in blues.” On Svenja and Jeanette, at left, Pike applied a sheer wash of powder shadow from the lash line up into the crease, then blended it upward with her finger. For more definition, she added eyeliner in a darker version of the pastel shades and a coat of mascara on the upper lashes. Green shades to try: Physicians Formula Organic Wear 100% Natural Origin eye shadow duo in Green Eyes Organics, \$8, plus Mally Beauty Evercolor Starlight waterproof liner in Caribbean Sea, \$15. The blues: Clinique Colour Surge Eye Shadow Super Shimmer in Blue Lagoon, \$14, plus Maybelline New York Line Express eyeliner in Blackened Sapphire, \$6.

THE TWEAK FOR FALL Use your dark liner like a shadow in the crease, Pike says. Apply it from the center of the eye outward, meeting up with the lash line at the outer corner.

TRY IT NOW

Going backless

It's so sexy—but only if you're all clear of the dreaded back acne. Jeannette Graf, M.D., a clinical assistant professor of dermatology at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York City, suggests alpha- or betahydroxy acid peel pads to lift off pore-clogging dead skin and oil. (Don't strain a muscle trying to reach; ask for help!) Try Dr. Dennis Gross Skincare Alpha Beta Daily Body Peel, \$78. Or get easier back access with a spray-on salicylic acid toner, like Glytone Back Spray, \$28. Bonus: The sloughing also improves skin tone, which might be uneven from a season's worth of strap marks.

THE TWEAK FOR FALL Keep showing off in a low-back cocktail dress. In cooler weather, backne will be less of an issue, but dryness starts to sneak in. Graf favors a cocoa-butter oil spray and likes the cheapie generic CVS Pharmacy Continuous Spray Cocoa Butter Dry-Touch Body Oil, \$7.

