



The
best
BRIDAL
BEAUTY
BUYS 2017

AFTER THREE DEDICATED MONTHS OF
PREENING, PAMPERING AND
BEAUTIFYING, WE CAN FINALLY REVEAL
YOUR BRIDAL BEAUTY MUST-HAVES >>

IMAGE: GETTY IMAGES

▶ **THE HIGHLIGHTER**

This glow-getting product shone out against the competition because of its complementing colour options and shimmering finish. Dust over your cheekbones for a picture-perfect sheen. **Candlelight Glow Powder, Too Faced £25**



▶ **THE CONTOUR KIT**

If you're still a bit wary of the contour craze, here's a good place to start. This palette has a variety of shades to get a natural-looking finish. **Contour'n Strobe Kit, Gosh £12.99**

▶ **THE POWDER**

Your bridal make-up isn't complete without a shine-busting powder to seal in your look. This iconic bareMinerals beauty has a featherweight feel and also gives a hint of warm colour. **Mineral Veil, bareMinerals £21**



▶ **THE BRONZER**

The quickest way to fake your bridal glow? A cheeky sweep of this lightweight bronzing powder. Our testing team loved the matte finish – not a smidge of glitter in sight! **Ray of Sunshine Perfect Gold Bronzer, Bagsy £18**



▶ **THE PRIMER**

We've said it once (a million times) and we'll say it again – a primer is the most important step to guarantee a flawless look on your W-day. This skin-perfecting saviour wowed us with its smooth application and unrivalled staying power – plus it smells totally gorge too! **Hangover Replenishing Face Primer, Too Faced £27**



▶ **THE CONCEALER**

Been up all night stressing? Nobody has to know if you've got this little beauty on hand. The hydrating formula glides on to refresh tired under-eyes and its subtle tint helps to disguise dark circles (phew!). **Instant Concealer, Clarins £22**



▶ **THE EYESHADOW PRIMER**

You don't want to spend a small fortune on a wow-factor eyeshadow for it to melt off hours later. Safeguard your shadow with this silky-smooth, stay-all-day primer to avoid any W-day sobbing! **Stay Don't Stray Eyeshadow Primer, Benefit £22**



THE EYELINER

The line-up in this category was fierce, but it was these two pens that proved victorious. Both Pixi's Endless Silky Eye Pen and Tom Ford's Eye Defining Pen scored highly on their easy application and long-lasting finish.

- 1. Endless Silky Eye Pen, Pixi £12
- 2. Eye Defining Pen, Tom Ford £45



NAIL AN ENGLISH ROSE LOOK WITH PRETTY PINK CHEEKS



▶ **THE BLUSH**

The one-stop product for blushing bride status has to be this Bobbi Brown marvel. It comes in 20 highly pigmented shades that appear quite bright in the package, but blend in seamlessly for a fabulous flush of colour. **Blush, Bobbi Brown £19.50**

▶ **THE LIPSTICK**

Our quest to find a buttery-soft, stay-all-day lipstick is finally over. All hail the Urban Decay Cream Vice Lipstick range with its ultra-rich formula that can survive canapés and kisses. Plus, it's available in 42 incredible shades... decisions, decisions! **Cream Vice Lipstick, Urban Decay £15.50**



THE SERUM

When you find a serum that feels ultra-lightweight, but can still pack a heavyweight moisture kick, you know it's a keeper. Our team raved about their plumped-up skin, brightened complexions and a reduction in fine lines.

Hyaluronic Booster Plus, Elemental Herbology £85



THE FACIAL OIL

This moisture-injecting oil is a spa day in a bottle. The combination of plant extracts and essential oils nourish deep down, leaving skin feeling super-supple and soft. Turbo boost your regular night cream with a few drops of this transformative elixir.

Blue Orchid Face Treatment Oil, Clarins £33



THE DAY CREAM

The whipped cream texture instantly impressed our testing team and the skin-smoothing results kept them beaming. As well as being a fab moisturiser, the rich cream creates an optimum make-up base.

No Wrinkles Extreme Moisturiser, This Works £46

THE FOUNDATION

'Coverage like no other' is the five-star feedback we got from our panel. If you're a bride with blemish-prone skin, use this perfecting foundation with its subtle matte finish to give you confidence for those on-the-day close-ups.

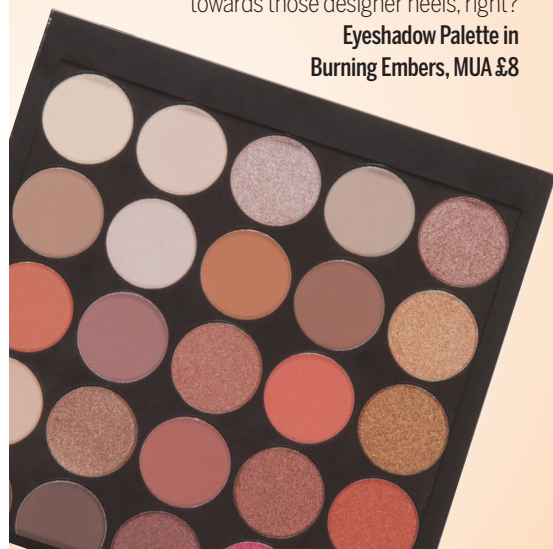
Double Wear Nude, Estée Lauder £31



THE EYESHADOW PALETTE

Pigmented, blendable eyeshadows in 25 wearable shades and all for under £10 – yes, we couldn't quite believe it either! The money you save on this can definitely go towards those designer heels, right?

Eyeshadow Palette in Burning Embers, MUA £8



THE MASK

The points were too close to call between these two fast-acting, hard-working wonders. The Elemis beauty tingles on application and leaves skin feeling tighter, firmer and utterly renewed, while GLAMGLOW energises and softens the skin for a brighter, more luminous complexion. Whichever one you choose, you'll be positively glowing.

1. **ThirstyMud Hydrating Treatment, GLAMGLOW £39**
2. **Dynamic Resurfacing Gel Mask, Elemis £49.50**



THE TONER

Meet the skin prepping game-changer! Instead of stripping the skin like some toners do, this caring tonic works by balancing and calming the skin's surface.

Hydrating Face Tonic, Bobbi Brown £22



THE EYE CREAM



Torn between the quick-absorbing, wrinkle-fighting cream from Image Skincare and the rich, nourishing formula of La Prairie, we just couldn't call a winner. So whether you fancy a small splurge or want to luxe out completely, your peepers will be eternally grateful.

1. **Cellular Swiss Ice Crystal Eye Cream, La Prairie £172**
2. **The Max Stem Cell Eye Crème, Image Skincare £65**

THE CLEANSER

We've been loyal to the humble cream cleanser for a while now, but this revolutionary oil has swayed our allegiance. With the ability to blitz even waterproof mascara and leave our skin feeling baby smooth, we wonder how we ever lived without it...

Replenishing Cleansing Oil, Elizabeth Arden £25



THE BROW PRODUCT

The perfect purchase if you are new to the brow scene – this double-ended transforming tool comes with a chiselled colour tip and handy blending brush.

Goof Proof Eyebrow Pencil, Benefit £20



THE FACIAL GADGET

If there's one skincare investment to make for your wedding day, this is it. You don't know what a squeaky-clean face feels like until you've experienced the powerful action of this cleansing brush. The sonic pulses sweep away dirt and give your pores a deep-down clean, while still being oh-so gentle on your skin.

LUNA 2 facial cleansing brush, Foreo £169



THE FACIAL EXFOLIATOR

With professional results that rival an in-clinic treatment, this intensive exfoliator will transform your skin from drab to fab in time for the big day. The powerful ingredients tackle dark spots, clogged pores and dry, flaky patches to leave you with the skin you've always dreamed of.

Triple Microdermabrasion Face Polish, Exuviance £60



THE BRUSHES

When beautiful packaging and amazing quality come together as one, it's a pretty special moment. These super-soft brushes are just as fabulous as they look and each one works to provide totally flawless make-up application.

Rose Golden Luxury Brush Set Vol 2, Zoeva £65



THE BODY MOISTURISER

This is why you should luxe out on a body cream. The captivating scent and heavenly texture make for a dreamy application experience and you're sure to have the softest skin ever!

Body Truffle, Temple Spa £60



THE NIGHT CREAM

Bringing a whole new meaning to the term 'beauty sleep' – this antioxidant-filled night cream soaks in easily to give skin a whole new lease of life.

Sleep & Reveal Night Cream, Super Facialist by Una Brennan £16.99



THE NAIL TREATMENT

Repair and strengthen your nails before your W-day with this vitamin-packed varnish. The best bit? The glossy finish means your nails still look good while they are being treated.

Status Grow Keratin Nail Treatment, Ciaté £12



THE EYELASH CURLERS

The essential tool for long-lasting, natural-looking curly lashes – just a flick of your fave mascara and you'll be good to go!

Eyelash Curler, NARS Cosmetics £15



TEAM WITH A VOLUMISING MASCARA FOR A WIDE-EYED LOOK

THE TAN

We've got nothing but praise for this cult classic tan. The streak-free, natural-looking colour develops in as little as an hour and one bottle will take you from hen do right through to honeymoon.

Self Tan Express Mousse, St Tropez £33



THE FIXING SPRAY

For lightweight hydration and an on-trend dewy finish, Barry M gets our vote, and for a refreshing boost throughout the day (think post-ceremony but pre-reception), Estée Lauder is our handbag hero.

1. Mist & Fix Dewy Finish Setting Spray, Barry M £4.99
2. Set + Refresh Perfecting Makeup Mist, Estée Lauder £20



GET YOUR GLOW ON WITH A DEWY FACE SPRAY

THE NAIL VARNISH

Trendy talons on a budget? You can count us in! Along with the amazing colour range and chip-free finish, this new Coconut Infusion collection from Barry M now has the added benefit of nourishing coconut in its formula. All that for under £5 – wow!

Coconut Infusion Nail Paint, Barry M £4.99



THE FRAGRANCE

We're not usually enticed by celebrity-endorsed fragrances, but SJP has really pulled out all the stops. This captivating, woody scent will linger on your skin all day long.

Stash Eau de Parfum Spray 100ml, Sarah Jessica Parker £50



THE BODY EXFOLIATOR

The reviews for this scrub are as glowing as your skin will be after you get your hands on it! The salt crystals gently buff away dead skin while the sweet scent of coconut transports you to far away shores. Bliss.

Ultimate Salt Scrub, Sanctuary Spa £12



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