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Image 1: Zoe Saldana for Marie Claire UK, January 2015.



Who Are

The editorial position of Marie Claire is the offering of inspiration and informationbased content. The magazine targets to inform and empower women through a combination of fearless reporting and fashion sections. The manner in which the magazine offers fashion is different, from the female perspective and emphasising realism, personality, simplicity, and imagination. This positions the readers capable of expressing their own opinions and interpreting the magazine sensibly and woman-focused. For beauty, Marie Claire focuses on empowerment, individuality, diversity, and mental well-being. The magazine understands the power of beauty products to transform lives and the positive impact they have on emotional health and advocates a responsible and informed approach to beauty and fashion.

Aside from beauty and fashion, Marie Claire is also committed to talking about women's major social and political issues that women everywhere are facing. The magazine also has a history of doing investigating reports and big headlines and defending women and talking for women, but in that breezy, fun tone of Marie Claire.





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Who They Are

years old) who value style, substance, and purpose.

Career & Lifefestyle

Professionals, entrepreneurs, and creatives who are digitally savvy and interested in self-development.

lalues Feminism, sustainability, inclusivity, and personal growth.

Where They Engage Online, social media (Instagram, TikTok, LinkedIn), podcasts, and digital media

Modern, ambitious, socially aware women (typically 25-45

Market and Audience Research

Marie Claire readers are intelligent, thoughtful women who love real storytelling and stimulating material, as well as the shorter, softer stories that entertain. The magazine's audience has a broad age range, and the readers are typically aged 25 to 60. More recent actions have been successful at attracting younger readers, reducing the average age of the reader to around 30-40.

Readership is defined by the need for fashion and beauty content with meaningful debate on issues of society. Marie Claire readers like the magazine's prescriptive-free model, where they can choose based on information and not be told what to read. This fits in with the magazine's philosophy of giving women the power to be individual and make decisions based on what they believe in.

Marie Claire has positioned itself as a brand that speaks to the diverse interests of the contemporary woman. By blending quality journalism with fashion and beauty editorial, and by embracing the digital and e-commerce, the magazine both engages its reader base and avoids pitfalls of the modern media landscape through being a digital-first publication.

Content Verticals



NEWS

HAIR & BEAUTY

News: This vertical pairs hard-hitting political and global news with a feminist lens. Pieces call attention to how the day's news impacts women's lives, freedoms, and rights. Empowering and internationally aware in tone, there is a leaning towards putting the spotlight on underrepresented voices or progressive positions.

Hair & Beauty: They are about sustainable beauty, representation that's diverse, and real women's narratives. Beauty is never vain, it's a place for empowerment, wellness, and self-expression. Expect in-depth exploration of ingredient ethics, industry transparency, and trend opinion, not product lists.

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FASHION

HEALTH

LIFE

Fashion: Unlike purely aspirational fashion coverage, Marie Claire champions ethical fashion, sustainability, and affordableluxury styling. They highlight female designers, inclusive sizing, and cultural relevance, aligning fashion with purpose and identity.

Health: Health is framed through female empowerment. Content includes taboo-breaking features (like menstrual equity), cutting-edge research on women's health, and a focus on self-care without toxic positivity. It's wellness with substance.

WORK & MONEY

CULTURE

Life: This vertical is where intersectional feminism meets daily life. Think articles on navigating motherhood and career, travel that considers ethical tourism, and relationship advice grounded in autonomy and mutual respect.

Work & Money: They position themselves as champions of women in the workplace, with content on closing the wage gap, negotiating salaries, entrepreneurship, and breaking barriers in male-dominated industries. Stories often profile women changemakers, creating aspirational and practical content in one.



VOUCHERS

Culture: Whether it's a celebrity profile or a film review, it's always more than fluff. They spotlight cultural moments that move the needle, celebrate womenled stories, and often challenge the mainstream narrative.

Vouchers: Even in the deals space, there's a focus on value without compromising on quality. They feature codes for brands that align with the Marie Claire ethos: often fashionforward, woman-led, or ethical.

Editorial Schedule

The editorial schedule crafted for Marie Claire UK from March 8th –15th is a carefully considered content plan that not only aligns with the magazine's signature tone: smart, feminist, stylish, and empowering, but also captures the cultural and political relevance of the moment, especially around International Women's Day and Oscars week. This seven-day schedule is a good mix of in-depth features, accessible service journalism, pop culture commentary, and real-time reactive content that reflects the interests and values of the Marie Claire reader in the UK.

At its core, this schedule is deeply rooted in Marie Claire UK's mission to inform and inspire ambitious, socially conscious women. The week opens with March 8th: International Women's Day. It shows an array of articles celebrating female changemakers across fields like activism, and business. Stories like 'The Women Changing the World in 2025' and 'Meet the Female CEOs Reshaping the Business World' speak directly to Marie Claire's audience, who crave content that combines real-world impact with female based, aspirational profiles. This type of storytelling supports the brand's emphasis on agency and female empowerment.

This schedule doesn't shy away from somewhat complex issues either, although still keeps the lighter tone that Marie Claire tends to uphold in comparison to it's competitors like Elle and Cosmopolitan UK. Health features addressing endometriosis, cervical cancer, and chronic pain on March 9th align with their longstanding editorial stance on confronting the medical gender gap. These pieces don't just provide information; they advocate for change. It mirrors the socially driven journalism that has long set the publication's tone. Similarly, articles around financial empowerment on March 10th, such as 'Top 10 Money Myths Every Woman Needs to Stop Believing' and 'Negotiating Like a Boss,' give readers practical tools to navigate traditionally male-dominated spaces, continuing the brand's legacy of blending empowerment with utility.





Ella Purnell for Marie Claire UK. January 2018.

The tone throughout is smart but accessible, progressive but never alienating: a noticed trait of Marie Claire UK. The inclusion of softer lifestyle content, such as curated playlists, beauty product roundups, and fashion advice, offers a welcome balance and plays into the aesthetic-savvy nature of the brand's audience. For example, Monday's focus on power dressing and feminist fashion histry ties visual identity to personal ambition, a recurring theme in Marie Claire's content over the years. Beauty features like 'Do You Need Botox? A Guide to Pro-Aging Beauty' are handled with nuance, rejecting shame while honouring choice; again, a perfect fit for Marie Claire's more inclusive take on beauty.

Notably, the schedule includes strong real-time and pop culture coverage tied to the Oscars. By featuring content like 'The Best-Dressed Women at the Oscars,' 'The History of Feminist Speeches at the Oscars,' and 'The Oscars: The Women Who Stole the Show,' the editorial decisions demonstrate an awareness of cultural moments that spur audience engagement yet looking at the event through a Marie Claire lens. It honours artistry, spotlights voices, and acknowledges broader industry dynamics like representation and gender equity. Additionally, reactive content planned throughout the week ensures editorial agility, keeping Marie Claire timely and responsive to current events, which is an essential strategy for maintaining digital relevance in the modern, digital magazine landscape. The ability to pair long-form, evergreen thought journalism with responsive, traffic-driving features shows a wellrounded approach to digital publishing that Marie Claire has been able to maintain during its transition to digital-only media in 2019.

This schedule reflects a robust understanding of Marie Claire UK's audience and brand values. It blends information, advocacy, entertainment, and style - offering readers stories that resonate with their identities as modern and multidimensional women. By addressing both systemic issues and day-to-day interests, the plan ensures that every piece is not just relevant but purposefully aligned with what Marie Claire does best: empowering women through stylish, fun, and socially engaged journalism.



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Friday 8th	Content	Section	Writer	Word Count	Commision Date	Why?
March	The Women Changing the World in 2025	Features	Mischa Anouk- Smith	1,000	28/2	A deep dive into science, fashion Marie Claire read This piece highli business, and ac
	From the Suffragettes to Now: The Evolution of Women's Rights	Features	Kat Lister	1,200	22/2	Tracing key mon Women's rights conscious Marie modern feminisr
	Marie Claire's Guide to Supporting Women-Owned Brands	Fashion	Ally Head	400	3/3	Ethical shopping Readers apprecia supporting fema
	Meet the Female CEOs Reshaping the Business World	Work and Money	Dionne Brighton	800	22/2	Spotlight on wor The audience add feature provides
	The Best Feminist Books to Read in 2025	Culture	Jenny Proudfoot	250	3/3	Book recommene they align with f
	DIGITAL COVER: Nico Parker Interview Feature	Features	Hannah Marriott	2,000	15/2	Large feature piece w Marriott will provide and upcoming/past f famous mother (Than Feminist lens of MC w a preppy editorial sh will be extensive, wi products advertised of
	Feminist Beauty: What Does It Mean in 2025?	Hair and Beauty	Shannon Lawler	400	28/2	The beauty-cons analysis of beaut
	Your Ultimate International Women's Day Playlist	Culture	Jenny Proudfoot	350	3/3	Music has alway movements. A p resonates well.
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omen at the top of the corporate ladder. admires successful women, and this es motivation and career insights

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e with MC's digital cover star, Nico Parker. de a lengthy interview, discussing Parker's career t films, her Lancome ambassadorship, life with her handie Newton), and growing up as a child star. C will be maintained throuhgout the article, with shoot accompanying it. Social media coverage with short videos, playful photos, and Lancome ed extensively on the website.

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ays been a part of empowerment playlist featuring female artists

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Saturday 9th March	Content	Section	Writer
	Endometriosis Awareness Month: The Symptoms You Should Never Ignore	Features	Mischa Anouk- Smith
	Cervical Cancer Prevention Month: The New Research That Could Save Lives	Health	Katie Sims
	How to Talk to Your GP About Gynaecological Pain	Features	Anna Bartter
	Your Hormones and You: A Week in the Life of Your Cycle	Health	Ally Head
	Pelvic Floor Health: Why It Matters at Every Age	Life	Anna Bartter
	The Mental Health Cost of Chronic Pain	Life	Ally Head
	The Marie Claire Edit: Women- Founded Wellness Brands That Actually Work	Health	Ally Head
	Wellness Without the Woo: Science- Backed Self-Care	Health	Grace Lindsay
	+/- 3 articles for reactive content	News	

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medical appointments is daunting, when pain is minimised. This gives to the patient, a key Marie Claire

eaders on hormonal health taps into a lof cycle-awareness and body literacy.

opic often considered niche. This eaders feel seen, supported, and egardless of age.

multi-angle piece that tackles d emotional wellbeing, reinforcing the commitment to whole-woman wellness.

nt to shop mindfully, this stylish gns values (women-led, effective, lifestyle.

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Sunday 10th	Content	Section	Writer	Word Count	Commision Date	Why?
March	Top 10 Money Myths Every Woman Needs to Stop Believing	Work and Money	Dionne Brighton	550	6/3	Tackles limiti financial pow blend of auth
	The Side Hustles Making Women Millions: A Profile on the Women Making Millions in the Industry	Features	Mischa Anouk Smith	1,500	3/3	Entrepreneur of success fee ambitious rea
	Negotiating Like a Boss: How to Finally Get That Pay Rise	Work and Money	Charlotte Philby	500	7/3	Salary negotia women. This readers can a
	The Best Money Apps for Women in 2025	Culture	Jenny Proudfoot	250	7/3	MC UK's digit every area of led and easy-t
	The Career Lessons We Can Learn from the Most Powerful Women in the World	Features	Gina Tonic	1,000	3/3	Highlights fer wisdom: idea career paths y
	Prince Edward, The Duke of Edinburgh's Birthday Celebrations: A Look Into Royal Birthdays	News	Iris Goldsztajn	450	Reactive	10/3 is Prince be good to ha celebrating an at other iconi
	The Hidden Costs of Being a Woman: Do We Actually Pay the Pink Tax?	Featues	Mischa Anouk Smith	1,500	5/3	From the pink piece reveals with Marie Cl readers.
	The Oscars: The Films You Need to Watch to Keep Up to Date with Award Season	News	Jenny Proudfoot	500	28/2	The Academy days. This sto with content and past cere
	+/- 2 articles for reactive news stories	News		Reactive	Reactive	Articles surro be written an occur, import and events th

iting beliefs that harm women's ower, with Marie Claire's signature thority and relatability.

urialism is on the rise, real-life stories feel aspirational but accessible to MC's readership.

tiation is a confidence barrier for many is guide offers bold, smart advice that act on immediately.

gitally savvy readers want to optimise of life, including personal finance: techy-to-implement.

female trailblazers and condenses their eal for readers navigating their own s with purpose.

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ny Awards is fast-approaching in 5 story gears the readers up for the event, nt surrounding the Oscars anticipation remonies.

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Monday 11th	Content	Section	Writer	Word Count	Commision Date	Why?
March	What to Wear for Every Career Milestone: Top 5 Brands We Trust for Actual Office-Ready Attire	Fashion	Lauren Cunningham	500	6/3	Practical f goals reso professior
	The Blazers That Scream Power and Confidence and Where to Get Them	Fashion	Jazzaria Harris	250	7/3	Fashion-fo staples th
	The Evolution of Feminist Fashion: Top 8 Female Fashion Designers You Need to Know	Fashion	Penny Goldstone	900	3/3	Educates i historicall It is blend gender po
	How to Nail the 'Quiet Luxury' Trend for Work: Where Do You Go?	Fashion	Penny Goldstone	500	6/3	Minimalis Claire read intentiona
	The Top 5 Best Beauty Products Created by Women	Hair and Beauty	Tori Crowther	450	5/3	Spotlights aligning w owned bus
	Inside the Prix d'Excellence: The Global Gold Standard in Beauty	Hair and Beauty	Matilda Stanley	750	4/3	This piece Claire Prix spotlighti
	+/- 3 articles for reactive content	News		Reactive	Reactive	Articles su will be wr events occ world nev Lens.

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-forward readers love curated wardrobe that reflect empowerment and polish.

s readers on how clothing has ally been used as a feminist statement. nding culture, fashion history, and politics.

ist fashion with impact appeals to Marie eaders who want sophistication and nality in their wardrobe

nts women-founded beauty brands, g with values of supporting womenousinesses and clean beauty.

ce is aimed at gearing up for the Marie rix d'Excellence de la Beauté Awards ting key products from the event.

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Tuesday 12 th	Content	Section	Writer	Word Count	Commision Date	Why?
March	Dating as a High-Achieving Woman	Features	Mischa Anouk- Smith	1,000	3/3	Marie Claire balancing ro success.
	How to Deal with Mansplaining in Your Relationship	Life	Ally Head	300	11/3	Tackles micr offering sma
	Why More Women Are Choosing to Be Single	Features	Ally Head	1,000	11/3	Reflects shif independent choices, incl
	Setting Boundaries at Work and Home: How Working From Home Has Changed the Game	Features	Amy Sedghi	900	11/3	Practical, ac preservatior
	The Mental Load: Why Women Are Exhausted	Features	Mischa Anouk- Smith	750	11/3	Deep dive in - perfect for systemic aw
	Remembering Christina Grimmie: Why Female Celebrity Stalking Should be Taken Seriously	y Features	Jenny Proudfoot	500	6/3	Christina Gr singer was t autographs i Month, she day.
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into the invisible labour women carry or readers who want validation and awareness.

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Wednesday 13 th March	
	The Most Powerful Wo Now
	The 10 Best Female-L
	How Female Journalis the Media Industry: W Marie Claire Employee Work
	The Influence of Beyo & Chappel Roan on Fe
	How Women Are Takin Gaming Industry: The of the Female Gaming
	We Remember Those (Statements: Top 10 B Made on the Oscars Re
	+/- 2 articles for react

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Jomen in TV Right	News	Iris Goldsztajn	800	8/3	Celebrates shaping na love presti
Led Films of 2025.	Culture	Jenny Proudfoot	350	11/3	Readers w that reflec
sts Are Changing Ne Speak with 5 es About Their	Features	Mischa Anouk- Smith	1,200	28/2	Marie Clai for womer underscor storytellin
oncé, Taylor Swift eminism	Culture	Iris Goldsztajn	500	8/3	Big names engageme which the
ing Over the e Who's and Whats g Industry		Penny Goldstone	350	12/3	Gaming is appeals to inclusivity
Oscars Best Statements Red Carpet	Fashion	Lauren Cunnigham	500	11/3	Oscars wil to event is to more tr which MC
tive news stories	News		Reactive	Reactive	Articles su will be wri events occ world new Lens.

es current media leaders and actors narratives, aligning with readers who stige TV and feminist storytelling.

want curated media recommendations ect their values and taste.

aire itself is a journalistic voice en, spotlighting others in the field ores solidarity and pride in female ling.

es + cultural critique = major nent. It blends fandom with feminism, ne audience loves.

is a growing sector for women. This to forward-thinking readers who value ty and innovation.

will be in 2 days. Coverage leading up is crucial, as more coverage will lead traffic on the actual day of the event -IC will cover extensively.

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Thursday 14th March	Content	Section	Writer	Word Count	Commision Date	Why?
	What's Next for Feminism?: We Spoke to Pioneering Feminists to Ask 'What's Next?'		Mischa Anouk- Smith	800	8/3	Thought-lea Reflective, and though
	The Biggest Female-Led Businesses to Watch in 2024	Work and Money	Charlotte Philby	500	12/3	Marie Claire and female
	Is Fashion Finally Becoming More Inclusive? A Look Into Inclusive Fashion Fashion We Saw at the Oscars This Year	Fashion	Lauren Cunnigham	900	10/3	Body positive strong reade hope.
	The Women-Led Podcasts You Need to Listen to	Culture	Iris Goldsztajn	250	12/3	Curated con comute, o
	The 10 Best Female Directors Changing Cinema	Culture	Jenny Proudfoot	450	10/3	Celebrates a Marie Claire women mak
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leadership piece to close the week. e, hopeful, and challenging - on-brand ght-provoking.

ire UK's readers care about innovation le entrepreneurship.

tivity and inclusive fashion remain a ader interest, balancing critique and

ontent for readers who multitask, , or crave female-centric storytelling.

es artistry and impact, this aligns with ire's vision of spotlighting creative naking a difference.

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Friday 15th	Content	Section	Writer	Word Count	Commision Date	Why?
March	The Best-Dressed Women at the 2025 Oscars	News	Jenny Proudfoot	500	15/3	The Best-Dre is essential. feminist lens personal exp
	Oscars 2025: The Women Who Stole the Show	News	Mischa Anouk- Smith	600	15/3	Spotlights by Readers love talent.
	The History of Feminist Speeches at the Oscars	Features	Iris Goldsztajn	900	11/3	Red carpet n context to cu love.
	Breaking Down the Best Beauty Looks from the Oscars	Hair and Beauty	Lauren Cunnigham	350	12/3	Readers look with substar
	How the Oscars Are Finally Giving Women the Recognition They Deserve	Features	Charlotte Philby	1,000	15/3	Gender parit the audience critique.
	The Red Carpet at the Oscars: All The Looks from the Carpet	Reactive	Iris Goldsztajn	Reactive	Reactive	Live updates keeping upd imagery uplo seek Marie C
	+/- 5 articles for reactive news stories	News		Reactive	Reactive	This is Oscar to events go

Dressed Women at the 2024 Oscarsage al. Marie Claire offers a style-focused yet ens, celebrating not just glamour, but expression.

s breakout stars, directors, producers. ove discovering who's next in female

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ook to Marie Claire for beauty inspiration tance: this offers both.

rity in Hollywood is top of mind for ice; this piece balances optimism with

tes of the red carpet as stars enter, pdates constant and high resolution ploaded consistently - ensuring readers e Claire as their No. 1 for Oscars news.

cars week, there will be reactive stories going on as the event unfurls.

The Marie Claire Team This Week:



Mischa Anouk-Smith / News and Features Mischa has worked for various publications such as Refinery29, Stylist, and Dazed. Her interests are heavily involved in what it means to be a woman today and how culture and style meet together. She features heavily in this week writing the key feature pieces. I chose her for these as her portfolio appeared the most well-suited to this style of article.

Kat is a freelance journalist, having worked with Marie Claire UK many times, writing feature pieces on a variation of topics. Her background at the Independent and The Feminist Times makes her a perfect choice for the more feminist-based, broadsheet style articles.



Ally Head / Health and Sustainability Editor Ally Head is Marie Claire UK's Senior Health and Sustainability Editor, with eight-plus years of editorial experience and a background of leading digital strategy, content creation, and campaign direction. An awardwinning journalist and Boston-qualifying marathon runner, she oversees all health and sustainability content, interviews top athletes and wellness thought leaders regularly, and hosts A-list campaigns and events. Prior to working with Marie Claire, she was writing for top magazines such as Cosmopolitan, The Telegraph, and Refinery29, and possesses an MA in Magazine Journalism.



Dionne Brighton / Contributor Dionne is a Marie Claire UK writer who writes about shopping, beauty, and fashion. She is based in North London and graduated with a degree in Literature from the University of East Anglia. She writes about TikTok beauty trends and the meaning of lunar events. She fits into this weeklong list by doing the shorter, advertorials-type articles.



Jenny Proudfoot / Features

Jenny is a prize-winning journalist and Features Editor of Marie Claire UK, the busiest writer in the 22-year history of the site. She writes about lifestyle, politics, feminism, and entertainment and is most famous for her bold opinion pieces and lively reporting, from the Formula 1 pit stops to international film festivals. With an International Development and Gender Studies qualification, Jenny went from intern to editor, reaching PPA Rising Star status and 30 Under 30 award winner in between. She takes on, along with Mischa, most of the longer and more research-heavy articles.

Shannon Lawlor / Executive Beauty Editor

Shannon is Beauty Director at Who What Wear UK with nearly a decade of experience writing for top beauty publications like Marie Claire UK, Glamour, and Refinery29. Known for her candid, no-nonsense approach, she is committed to demystifying beauty by drawing upon her behind-the-scenes industry experience and network of experts. A self-proclaimed "lazy girl," she champions no-nonsense products and serves up candid beauty reviews from the floor of her bathroom on a regular basis. Her knowledge of beauty is perfectly suited to this set of weekly articles.

Kat Lister / Freelance







Hannah Marriott / Freelance

Hannah is a New York **City-based freelance** journalist. She has bylines in Elle & Grazia, The Financial Times, The Times, The Guardian. Ex-Fashion Editor, The Guardian. She has been booked this week to interview and write up the piece with our cover star, Nico Parker. She was chosen because she wrote up the piece on Felicity Jones's digital cover with Marie Claire UK recently.



Katie Sims / Freelance Health Editor

Katie Sims is a freelance journalist with a Master's in Media and Journalism, penning articles for titles like Woman&Home, Liz Earle Wellbeing, and Who What Wear. Passionate about health, well-being, and skincare, she crafts engaging articles by testing fitness gadgets, exercise regimes, and nutritional guidance to allow readers to feel their best. Her personal history with health issues gives her an informed ear for the health-related pieces.

Anna Bartter / Health Writer Anna is a freelance writer specializing in health, fitness, and women's lifestyle and has bylines in Stylist, Metro, and Psychologies. She's passionate about espousing movement for physical and mental well-being and enjoys discovering good, fun exercises that work. With Katie, her health know-how will add a fresh voice to Endometriosis Awareness Month and Cervical Cancer Prevention Month.



Grace Lindsay / Junior Beauty Editor

Grace is the Junior Beauty Editor at Who What Wear UK and E-Commerce Writer at Marie Claire UK, having written about fashion and beauty for over three years. A graduate in literature from Goldsmiths, she enjoys digging out the top beauty deals and trends, and finding new brands to share with readers. In her spare time, she reads and goes vintage shopping. She keeps up on research of current and new beauty stories perfect for this week's content plan.



Iris Goldsztajn/Celebrity and Royal News

Iris is a freelance journalist and celebrity and royal news writer at Marie Claire, with bylines in InStyle, Women's Health, Bustle, and more. She covers wellness, relationships, beauty, and pop culture, and has a particular interest in challenging diet culture and de-stigmatising mental health. Having written longer, news-ier pieces will stand her in good stead for her assigned articles, which cover a range of subject matter. She would also be an ideal candidate for the reactive news content pieces.

Lauren Cunnigham / Contributor

Lauren works as a freelance fashion and beauty editor in London, writing runway reviews, fashion news, shopping guides, and more in-depth features for titles including Stylist, Vogue Business, Glamour, and The Independent. Specializing in micro-trends and sustainable fashion, Lauren seeks out brands with positive ethics and fresh angles on the industry. Her assigned articles are fashioned-based, which suits her areas of expertise in terms of fashion and sustainability.



Penny Goldstone / Contributing Fashion Editor

Marie Claire UK Contributing Fashion Editor Penny Goldstone covers catwalk trends and the latest high street and Instagram must-have fashion. She is more focused on the more research, advertorial-style articles.



Jazzaria Harris / Freelance Fashion and Beauty Writer Jazzria Harris is a freelance fashion and beauty journalist with over 8 years experience working in the industry. At just 4ft 11, she's an expert in petite dressing.





Matilda Stanley / Freelance Writer Matilda Stanley is a freelance style editor with over 15 years of experience writing and styling for publications like Closer, Good Housekeeping, and PopSugar. Her passion for beauty is perfect for covering the MC Prix awards.



Charlotte Philby / Contributor She was a newspaper columnist, editor and reporter at the Independent for eight years, where she was shortlisted for the Cudlipp Prize for her investigative reporting. She was also a contributing editor and features writer at Marie Claire, and has contributed to the Sunday Times, New Statesman and Financial Times, among others.



As acting editor of Marie Claire UK during this high-impact editorial week, I plan to strategically activate MC's core external revenue streams: The Marie Claire Beauty Drawer, Marie Claire Prix d'Excellence de la Beauté Awards, e-commerce affiliates, branded content partnerships, and MC's voucher content vertical. It will be by embedding them into the content rollout in a way that maximises both commercial value and editorial integrity.

The Beauty Drawer (Sampling + Sponsored Beauty Content)

The Marie Claire Beauty Drawer makes money by partnering with beauty brands that pay to have their products featured in the box, gaining exposure and valuable consumer feedback. While the box is free for users, Marie Claire monetizes the service through brand sponsorships, data insights, affiliate commissions on product purchases, and sponsored content across its media platforms. It's essentially a marketing and research tool that benefits both brands and Marie Claire's broader media ecosystem.

To coincide with National Endometriosis Awareness Month and International Women's Day (IWD) (March 8th). The Beauty Drawer will offer a limited-edition IWD x MC beauty edit. This will feature samples from women-founded, sustainabilityconscious, and partnered brands mentioned in editorial content, such as in "Feminist Beauty: What Does it Mean in 2025?" and "Wellness Without the Woo." The sampling campaign will be amplified across Instagram stories with swipeup links, and within editorial features ("Get your free sample of X via the Beauty Drawer"). In exchange for placement, partner brands will pay both sampling fees and sponsored editorial exposure.

Monetising the Moment: External Revenue Integration

Image: Cover image for a review of the MC Beauty Drawer. 2024. Hello Subscriptions.





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The Marie Claire Awards Marie Claire Prix d'Excellence de la Beauté Awards

Image: The Marie Claire Team at the Prix Awards. 2018. Marie Claire International.



Timed perfectly for March, the UK campaign for the Marie Claire Prix d'Excellence de la Beauté Awards will serve as one of the week's primary revenue-drivers.

The awards earns most of its revenue from partnerships with brands, advertising, and licensing. The event is primarily an industry event, with senior beauty industry executives, representatives from nominated and winning brands, Marie Claire editors and journalists, and beauty influencers or media partners (occasionally) attending. These beauty companies pay for marketing packages that allow them to use the prestigious award logo on packaging and marketing and purchase ad space in Marie Claire's print and digital publications to tout their wins. Other sources of revenue could be event sponsorships and sponsored content for the awards. Other than revenue, the awards are strategically important because they build up Marie Claire's credibility and credibility in the beauty sector. They are judged by international beauty editors and therefore are considerably acclaimed and editorially led, and thus they differentiate themselves as being more editorially motivated than business-oriented awards. This bolsters the brand's reputation with both consumers and advertisers, solidifies relationships with key beauty businesses, and provides engaging, high-performing editorial that drives traffic and adds value to the overall media package for Marie Claire.

For these awards, on March 11, we'll publish a digital spotlight feature: "Inside the Prix d'Excellence: The Global Gold Standard in Beauty", celebrating our winning brands and the judging process. Then, throughout the week, beauty-focused articles will include "Editor's Picks" tags identifying Prix-winning products. Additionally, Instagram and YouTube content will include expert-led beauty tutorials using winning products, tagged with affiliate links and brand mentions. Social media promotion of the products nominated and the partnered brands will be crucial to maximising engagement and sales throughout the week, before and after the awards.

E-Commerce, Branded and Affiliate Content

Affiliate revenue will be maximised through high-volume search-driven content and curated product guides throughout the week. All affiliate content in articles and on social media will be integrated with carousel modules and embedded feature advertising to blend commerce and editorial.

Branded Partnerships

Brand partnerships will be embedded through native-style content, organic styling, and soft integration. Here are some examples:

- Lancôme will sponsor our beauty think-piece "Feminist Beauty: What Does It
- Chanel will be present in Anatomy of a Wardrobe (YouTube) and a companion Instagram Reel featuring Nico's red carpet styling insights.

All sponsored placements will be clearly marked but feel native to the Marie Claire tone: smart, empowering, and aspirational. In terms of specific partnerships, Marie Claire's sponserships and branded partnerships tend to live within and are individual to each article. Affiliate links and sponsered content will be specific to each article, taking time to consider whether each partner and brand fits into and abides by the Marie Claire UK code. Images and carosel links will be provided within each article.

Mean in 2025?", aligned with digital cover star, Nico Parker's, ambassadorship.

• Dove will partner on "Why Women's Health Is Still Being Ignored" with soft brand messaging in sidebars and IG Story swipe-ups, enhancing their Real Beauty mission.



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Branded Content & Influencer Partnerships

- March 11: Shoppable guides like "The Blazers That Scream Power and Confidence" and "How to Nail the Quiet Luxury Trend for Work" will feature affiliate links to Net-a-Porter, MATCHES, and Selfridges
- March 11: Affiliates for "How to Nail the '*Quiet Luxury*' Trend for Work: Where Do You Go?" might include known 'quiet luxury' brands on social media such as Whistles, H&M, The Row, Mango, and
- March 15 (Oscars): "Get the Look" galleries from red carpet fashion and beauty will link directly to available products via The Edit, capitalising on real-time consumer interest. Dupes or similiar items will also be showcased in a carosel edit either on the MC website or Instagram, proving affiliate links

Image: Tolu Coker for Marie Claire UK. 2024. By Phil Taylor





Image: Cover image for Marie Claire UK's beauty vouchers section. Marie Claire UK

Vouchers & Smart Shopping

Marie Claire UK's Vouchers section will receive elevated promotion this week, positioned as an easy way for readers to support women-owned brands and shop smarter.

The Marie Claire voucher vertical generates most of its top line from affiliate marketing, earning commissions when consumers click on discounted codes and shop at partner stores. A portion of revenue comes from sponsored positions where brands pay to have their offers appear in more desirable places, and occasionally in cost-per-click or cost-per-acquisition programs. By optimizing voucher pages for high-intent search queries, Marie Claire gains significant organic traffic, converting discount-driven users into a steady source of revenue. The vertical offers a low-overhead, high-margin monetization model that augments Marie Claire's editorial content and enhances its role in the content-to-commerce ecosystem.

What Will We Do?

Key articles such as "Guide to Supporting Women-Owned Brands" and "Wellness Brands That Actually Work" will include live voucher links, encouraging immediate purchase. For example, on March 8th and 10th, we'll push voucher roundups via social media and newsletters (e.g., "10 Exclusive IWD Discounts on Female-Founded Brands").

Visual Direction Website

Top Stories



The History of Feminist Speeches at the Oscars

A celebration of feminist speeches



Your Hormones and You: A Week in the Life of Your Cycle

A look into the hormones affecting your week, and your mind, body, and

The Marie Claire UK website will feature all articles shown in the schedule above. Above is a mock-up of the 'Top Stories' section on the website, featuring a handful of the planned articles over the week. This section will display the articles that are planned to have the most coverage and engagement across the week.

To the right is a sample of what an article may look like, written by myself and in the Marie Claire format on the website. The overall design of each article is relatively plain, with a white background and black text. One image will usually header the beginning of the article, with others dispersed throughout or affiliate images and links throughout the article. When looking at the website, advertisements are hard to pinpoint as they are Google-driven advertisements, in a sidebar or skyscraper style. They can range anything from **Dove Beauty to British Airways.**





How to Nail the 'Quiet Luxury' Trend for Work: Where Do You Go?

The Blazers That Scream Power and Confidence and Where to Get Them

Where to find the perfect blazer to keep you confident and stylish

Where to find the best pieces for the quiet luxury look

Why More Women Are Choosing to Be Single

More and more women are choosing to be single in 2025, but why?



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BY BETHAN GWYNNE PUBLISHED 10 MARCH 2025 IN FEATURES

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The Digital Cover



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Original Image: Nico Parker for Wonderland. 2019. Photographed by Wendy Huynh.



A mock up of the digital cover and interview piece accompanying the cover star, Nico Parker. The article discusses her upcoming role in Disney's How to Train Your Dragon, her recent part in Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy, and her career interwoven with growing up as a nepo-baby

Colour theme: pink and black

March Cover Star: Nico Parker

Why Nico Parker?

Nico Parker is a prominent choice for Marie Claire UK's digital cover, because she represents a new generation of actors who bring not only talent along with beauty, but also thoughtfulness with depth to everything they do. At only 19, she is already a breakout star with performances that are acclaimed in HBO's "The Last of Us" and "How to Train Your Dragon," the live-action remake. Parker at this point in time cements her own place as a versatile actress who is capable of bridging beloved legacy franchises with a fresh perspective as she then steps into the iconic world that is Bridget Jones in the upcoming fourth instalment. Her profile becomes more meaningful since she involves herself in such a culturally meaningful British series so she positions herself as a modern muse connecting heritage and innovation easily.

Parker speaks with a clarity and with a poise on such topics. The topics do matter for beyond just her on-screen work. Whether it's confronting the realities of nepotism within Hollywood, or whether it's supporting more authentic representation in media, or whether it's reflecting on growing up under the public eye as the daughter of Thandiwe Newton and director Ol Parker. The fashion along with beauty arenas have seen meaningful strides by Parker. For 2024, she was named Lancôme's youngest-ever global ambassador, and she joined a prestigious lineage of women celebrated for their elegance and individuality. Additionally, Parker has had an enduring affinity toward Chanel since childhood. Her role as a brand ambassador shows this affinity, which stresses her deep link to luxury and classic style.

Parker's discussions on topics like representation and privilege further solidify her as a voice of her generation. She navigates the complexities of modern fame with grace, offering insights that align with Marie Claire's dedication to spotlighting deeper and empowered women. Her unique blend of fashionista personal and cultural awareness makes her not just a rising star, but an excellent figurehead for contemporary womanhood and a perfect choice for Marie Claire's March digital \mathbf{O} cover.

Image: Nico Parker for Wonderland. Photographed by Wendy Huynh. 2019



Inspiration for Digital Cover













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Here is some mock-ups of Marie Claire UK's Instagram feed during March 8th-15th. We can see what the digital cover would look like, as they always pin their three most recent covers at the top. In addition, I created some mock-up posts that align with the schedule that would be posted during the week to promote the written articles.





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The Marie Claire UK Instagram Where the Inspiration Came From...

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5 *failsafe outfit formulas* for styling wide-leg jeans for spring

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Topshop is launching a London pop-up next week ahead of its UK high street return

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/ This screenshot of the Marie Claire UK Instagram feed shows the inspiration for the mock-ups of the MC UK Instagram in the previous slide. Their main use of Instagram entails promoting their published articles on their website. The general format consists of a cover post with the title of the article and the Marie Claire logo. A carosel of pictures containing snippets of quotes from the articles and some images then follow.





All Images: Mock-Ups of indivdual Instagram posts for Marie Claire UK according to the planned schedule.



Marie Claire UK primarily uses their Instagram channel to promote their articles and summarise the content posted to their website. Here, the mock-ups of the Instagram grid as well as individual posts give a taste as to what their Instagram would look like during March 8-15th. Marie Claire monetises its Instagram primarily through branded content and sponsored posts via the articles, where beauty and fashion brands pay for product placements, editor-led features, and campaign integration. It also uses affiliate links in Stories and bio links to earn commission on sales. During this week in March, we will post IG posts concerning the published the articles with the corresponding partnerships and branded content.





Editorial Video

These videos, created using AI, give a taste as to what editorial videos will feature across Marie Claire's website and social medias. Video use is a major tool in Marie Claire's voice, using short-form videos of photoshoots and interviews to give their audiences a behind-the-scenes feel of their content. The videos make the editorial shoots come to life, and these video mock-ups of Nico Parker during a photoshoot with Marie Claire works when it comes to shoots and media content. Please click the link <u>here</u> to access the videos via a Google Drive.



















Tik Tok

TikTok is becoming more and more important to Marie Claire because it allows the brand to reach younger, trend-oriented audiences, Gen Z in particular, whose media habits are increasingly migrating away from traditional media. While Instagram and YouTube remain the destination platforms for branded, formatted content and monetisation, TikTok is a useful tool for driving cultural relevance and expanding reach. Marie Claire uses TikTok to share short, informal videos in the way of beauty hacks, styling tips, editor tips, and behind-the-scenes tidbits that all play out incredibly well within TikTok's fast-paced, trend-surfing culture. Its algorithm doesn't favor followers by number, but instead connects with engaging content, so each post has an opportunity to go viral and dramatically boost visibility. Although it generates less direct revenue today than other sites like YouTube and Instagram, TikTok is worth it for driving audience growth, trying new content forms, and putting the brand atop digital culture. It complements Instagram's affiliate selling and YouTube's long-form storytelling by giving a high-engagement, live way of connecting with the next generation of fashion and beauty shoppers. Marie Claire UK's TikTok is a blend of editorial authority and casual, trend-aware tone, molded to resonate with a younger, digitally native readership. The videos are generally short, fast-paced, and visually shiny, with beauty tutorials, fashion edits, product selections, and "get ready with me" videos borrowing from TikTok trends. Editors and influencers appear on camera regularly to add personality and authenticity, with behind-the-scenes content and event coverage offering the brand's insider status and style credentials. The tone is not as formal as traditional media, but the content is still Marie Claire's smart, fashion-aware personality. As a whole, the channel is set up to entertain, educate, and develop a deeper emotional connection with the next generation of beauty and fashion consumers.

Images: Screenshots of the Marie Claire UK Tik Tok

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Image: Mock-Up of Maire Claire UK's Tik Tok content for March.









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Inside Nico Parker's Iconic Wardrobe | Anatomy of a Wardrobe

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Steps inside the wardrobe of actress Nico Parker in this episode of Anatomy of a Wardrobe. From iconic red carpet moments to her everyday fashion favourites, Nico takes us through the pieces that define her style.

Discover the stories behind her unforgettable Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy press tour looks...

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/ Here are some mock-ups of the Marie Claire YouTube channel I created. Their YouTube series, 'Anatomy of a Wardrobe' is there main centre point of their channel, and they employ a myriad of celebrities to partake in this series. From cover stars, to featured celebrities, this series is a staple rollout for this week's worth of content. Although not explicity stated how Marie Claire makes revenue from their YouTube channel, based on research of the general YouTube revenue model, revenue will be made from intervalled advertisements played throughout the video and paid sponsers included within the video. Nico's own partnerships with Lancome and Chanel will be taken into account and hopefully cross-promotion will be able to take place.









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For the feature with Nico Parker on the Marie Claire UK YouTube channel, the feature star will lead an episode of their signature fashion series Anatomy of a Wardrobe: a format that peels back the layers of personal style, exploring the emotional and aesthetic factors that cement the celeb's fashion identity. The video will feature Parker in an intimate, editorial-style sit-down filmed in a softly lit, modern studio adorned in pink and neutral tones, colors that echo her fresh, girly vibe and Marie Claire's minimalistic exterior. Wearing a curated wardrobe comprising select Chanel pieces (Nico is a rising brand ambassador for the fashion house), she will take the audience through various important looks she has worn on the red carpet, at press tours, and in her personal life, linking each ensemble to her career, identity, and her changing relationship with fashion. To sustain the editorial narrative, the video will be intercut with slow-motion B-roll showing her styling herself, candid shots of her laughing between takes, and her offering commentary on the fashion industry, representation, and the great balancing act of growing up in the public eye.

Marie Claire UK's YouTube channel is a key route for the distribution of high-quality, long-form content that builds the brand's authority in fashion, beauty, and women's lifestyle. It features editor-hosted guides, celebrity interviews, product reviews, and panel debates, offering a more mature and detailed alternative to the fastpaced, trend-focused content on Instagram and TikTok. Though less intensively used than other social sites, YouTube is a strategic asset for premium content hosting and support of big-scale brand campaigns. Engagement is enabled by longer watch time, community engagement, and good SEO performance, and monetisation comes through YouTube ad revenue, branded video sponsorships, and affiliate links in video descriptions. More generally, it's a powerful means of narrative, brand positioning, and commercial adjacency across Marie Claire's wider universe of media.

Articles Chosen for Assignment 2

Feature: The History of Feminist Speeches at the Oscars/1,000 words Hair and Beauty: Feminist Beauty: What Does It Mean in 2025?/500 words Health: Your Hormones and You: A Week in the Life of Your Cycle/500 words Fashion: How to Nail the 'Quiet Luxury' Trend for Work: Where Do You Go?/ 500 words Culture: The Women-Led Podcasts You Need to Listen to/ 250 words Fashion: The Blazers That Scream Power and Confidence and Where to Get Them/ 250 words