



EYE SPY

They say that your eyes are the windows to your soul, so make them look as alluring as possible. **Rhea Dhanbhoora & Kasturi Gadge** show you how to dress up your eyes, no matter what shape, size or colour they are

>> Bold colours and heavy eye makeup can make your eyes appear smaller and like in this woman's case, also make them stand out

Did you know that smokey eyes are best for hooded eyes or that light colours work best for wide eyes? You'd be surprised at how different your eyes can look when your eye makeup is done right. Sufyan Kapadia, managing director of New Beauty Centre, lets us in on a few secrets and tells us which looks work for different types of eyes and how to change their shape...

UNDER THE HOOD

If you have hooded eyes, Sufyan recommends you try a smokey eye look. Because of the shape of your lids, you're blessed with eyes that bring out the best in a smokey look. But, remember to stay away from too much shimmer and use lighter shades to enhance your brow-line.

Expert tip Dark colours suit you. Apply a darker shade of colour on the hood than the rest of the eyelid.

Change it up Use a lot of dark liner and shadow to create an elongated, exotic cat eye shape.

SMALL SURPRISES

Small eyes, Sufyan says, tend to look even smaller if you apply a lot of dark colours. So, use lighter shades and try the cat eye look.

Expert tip Apply a neutral base colour to your entire eyelid, from your lashes to your brows. Shade the outer corner of your lid, mix it with the darker colour and blend well. Now use darker eyeliner and line your upper eyelash line, extending the line past the outer corner of your eye. Line your lower lashes with a lighter touch and follow by smudging both of the lines with a Q-tip or brush to soften it.

Change it up Start at the outer corner of the eye with a medium tone eye colour, angling upward. Softly blend the darkest colour at the outer corner of your eye. Line your upper lid at the lash line from inner to outer corner. Line the lower lid on the outer corner only.

WIDE EYED

Wide eyes can make you look too surprised if you don't do them up right. Sufyan recommends black eyeliner on your upper and lower lash line. Blend it in using a white eyeliner on your bottom waterline. The black will make your eyes stand out and the white will emphasise your eyes without making them look too big.

Expert tip Create closeness by applying a deep shadow from the inner corner to mid-lid. Then apply a lighter shade from mid-lid to outer corner and blend well.

SHAPE SHIFTER If you've got small eyes, you probably wish you had that wide, doe eyed look. And if you've got wide eyes, you're probably squinting so you don't look like a deer caught in headlights in all your pictures. Here's how you can use your makeup to change the shape of your eyes:

Make small eyes look big

- Apply a light shadow over your lids.
- Keep dark shadows on the outer part of the eye.
- Accent your lower lash-line with glitter liner.
- Apply white or skin-coloured eyeliner to waterline.
- Curl your lashes well.
- Groom your eyebrows as thick set ones will make your eyes look small.

Change it up Apply a thin line of liner from the inner part of the eye to the outer end.

ROUNDING IT OFF

Rounded eyes can make you look alarmed. Sufyan recommends creating contoured areas on the inside as well as the outside of your eyes to create a horizontal focus and couple it with a slim band of medium shade eye makeup. Draw a thicker line at the outer and inner corners of your eye. This will help emphasise the horizontal line of your eye and give the illusion of width. Try using soft matte shades or shimmery colours.

Expert tip Use a light coloured shadow over your eyelid and a darker shade in the crease. Apply eyeliner on both the top and bottom of your lids and use mascara only on your upper lashes.

Change it up If you want your eyes to appear larger, try using shimmery highlighters on your eyelids. These enhance the appearance of your eyes without making them look too dramatic or bright. Avoid using dark liners.



MAKEUP MANIA

Whatever your eye type, there's one or two things you should keep in mind. Tom Pecheux, creative makeup director from Estee Lauder tells us, "Use mascara close to the roots of your top lashes. Never apply it from the roots to the end of your lower lashes. Use brown mascara on your lower lashes even if you use black on the top as the lighter the colour the more it gives your eyes a lift. Lining the inside of your eyes with a dark brown liner will make them look powerful and sexy."