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How to Choose a Nail Salon



Do your research before you spend your money: Here are some tips on finding a good nail salon.

If you are looking for quality services at reputable nail salons, you need to do some initial checking around before you spend any money.

What you need to know

A sanitary, clean environment is one of the most important features when considering nail treatments such as manicure or pedicure at [nail salons](#). The equipment that salon technicians use throughout the day comes in contact with many customers. If it is not properly cleaned on a regular basis between each and every customer, you run the risk of getting a bacterial or fungal infection. If you have open cuts or sores during treatment, the risk is even higher for the transmission of diseases when exposed to unsanitary equipment.

Nail polish and other products used at salons do normally give off a strong odor. Inhaling those fumes during your nail treatment is not an option that you should have to deal with. Polish remover and other cleaning agents used by the nail technicians can be toxic if directly inhaled over a period of time. Proper ventilation is an absolute must for every salon that provides nail treatments. If the one you are considering does not have adequate airflow to circulate and cleanse the air, you should get your nails done in another salon.

What services can I get?

A quality salon offers their customers a wide variety of nail treatments. If you are looking for services beyond just getting a manicure, some of the higher end salons may offer added services that you would normally find at a spa. The services may be a little more expensive, but you will be treated like royalty.

Some examples of features that you may find at nail spa salons include very comfortable, heavily padded, reclining chairs that have massage controls built into the unit. Customers can sit back and relax while they are getting a pedicure or having their nails done. Larger nail spa salons will usually give you more choices such as gel nails, acrylic nails, paraffin treatments, sculptured nails, overlay designs and much more.

How do I choose?

Customer service should be part of the treatment that you pay for during your visit. The nail technicians should make you feel comfortable and relaxed. If the salon is loud and busy and the workers have no patience in dealing with their customers, why spend your money there? The appearance of the salon could also give you a clue as to how much or how little the owners really care about their business. This reflects in the service that they give to their customers.

Additional considerations include whether the salon is licensed and insured based on the requirements in your state. If several of your friends or coworkers regularly have their nails treated at a local salon, ask them for a referral and get more information. Online reviews are another way to judge a business when customers post comments about the service they received.

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