



Get the look

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This week I've brought you a mix of bewitching beauty, a 'bloody' lovely facial and I'm also really excited about the reader giveaway. I've nailed you a real fab find with an at-home gel manicure kit. Now you can bring the salon to you. I've also found some trick or treat nail tattoos, left, £1.99 from Superdrug. Spookily good. Craig

Smashbox Photo Op Eyeshadow Trio in Dark Room, £21

Be camera ready with this sexy trio from photoshoot pros Smashbox. The three shades in Opal, Granite and Blackout are all you need to create the ultimate smoky eye. Granite is a gorgeous silver grey and looks good on all ages. From Boots.



Autograph Pure Colour Mono Eyeshadow in Vamp, £6

I had to include Vamp in this week's line-up. Not only is it the perfectly gorgeous Gothic shade, but it's at a brilliant price, too. This purple shadow delivers a soft sheen and looks great on the lid. Great quality and super soft. From M&S.



Bobbi Brown Black Pearl Eyeshadow Palette, £42

I love this smouldering new palette, because you can go as natural or as naughty as you like. With the six cool shades you can highlight, define and line. It also has a gorgeous sparkly, velvety purple shadow. From John Lewis.

Dior 3 Couleurs Smoky Eyeshadow Palette in Smoky Black, £34

From the velvet sleeve to the shiny compact, this shadow trio is super stylish and sexy. Even the way the compact opens in a slow, sliding motion is almost teasing. Inside lies a silver pearl base colour, a deep kohl shade and another called couture smoky, which is a black colour shot with some silver sparkles. From department stores.



Jane Iredale Mystikol Powdered Eyeliner in Smoky Quartz, £18

This double-ended wand works like magic. One end has a sponge applicator that gives soft mineral colour in a smouldering grey while the other has a highlighting peachy shade. Call stockists on 0208 450 7111.



BEAUTY BULLETIN

BLOODY LOVE

There's been the bird poo facial and the urine facial, but it's the 'Dracula' facial that's been the latest craze.

The first of its kind in the UK, the procedure uses PRGF-Endoret technology to inject blood into your face.

It works by using small amounts of concentrations of plasma obtained from a sample of the patient's own blood. The enriched facial skin cells are then stimulated to produce natural collagen and hyaluronic acid, which improve the skin's health, smoothness and hydration.

Experts at the NaturalSkin clinic recommend that patients start treatment in their 30s, but for corrective results



therapy can be started from the 40s. Pop along to the NaturalSkin clinic's open day in Glasgow on November 3 to find out how they can help you turn back the clock. Visit www.naturalskin.com for more info. If this doesn't appeal to you, then follow in the footsteps of Angelina Jolie and go for something less invasive. A few months back I raved about Rodial Dragon's Blood range. Well, it seems that Ange is a fan of their Sculpting Gel. It's designed to plump and redefine facial contours, and boy, doesn't she look good. Available for £75 from Rodial, www.rodial.co.uk

TRICK OR TREAT TALONS

Sticking with the dark and mysterious theme I thought the perfect shade to complement your smouldering eyes would be Stormy Weather nail polish by Deborah Lippmann.

The celebrity manicurist, who has tended the talons of Gwyneth Paltrow, Julia Roberts and Reese Witherspoon, among others, has brought out this nail colour. Described as an 'edgy granite', it was created with designer Narciso Rodriguez and will create real nail envy. Available for £14 from House of Fraser.



BEAUTY GIVEAWAY

Semi-permanent polish has been the biggest nail craze in years. Long-lasting and durable, the 'two-week manicure' is a favourite of any nail fanatic. SensatioNail Home Gel Manicure Starter Kit has everything you need to get started. It contains a UV lamp and enough products for 10 applications. The kits are £69.99 from Boots. I have three to give away. For your chance to win tell me: **Which X Factor star used to be in N-Dubz?**

Email answers to m.mcmonagle@sundaymail.co.uk by...



Blowout

This traditional cream cable knit sweater is the perfect purchase to go with many outfits. Try a Scottish heritage look with a pair of tartan trousers and coloured blouse that can be seen above the sweater's neckline.

Cream cable knit sweater Hobbs



£99

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Tartan high-waisted trousers, £45

www.asos.com



Yellow silk blouse, £29.99 H&M



Cobalt blue suede abstract heel court shoes, £69.99 Zara



Joy of

From chunky knits to daring motifs, your sweater style is all knitted up

Wool rules this season with big chunky knits all over the catwalks. Create a cosy, chic look with a knitted sweater that offers versatility and comfort for the winter.

The high street has spoiled us for choice – go colour crazy with a multi-toned chunky knit, stay safe with a neutral cable knit or be adventurous with a motif knit sweater. The options are endless and exciting, so choose a knit that best suits your style.

Dame Vivienne Westwood created a cobalt blue woollen dress and cardigan,

made from traditional Scottish mills. Pringle's Alistair Carr reworked classic shapes such as the V-neck jumper, updating it in pink neon mohair. Mark Fast, this season, opted for a weightier graphic ribbed knit that took the shape of pencil skirts slashed to the thigh and cropped jumpers.

Olivia Palermo has created the perfect autumnal look with this gorgeous mustard cable knit sweater and burgundy skinny tuxedo trousers. She has added a touch of sparkle by adding two diamanté brooches on the neckline of the sweater, creating an effortlessly chic look.

Alexa Chung is wearing a black knit jumper with white bat motif, by Moschino. Casual but cool, Alexa has completed the look with a pair of ankle-grazing straight-leg jeans, black Chelsea boots and two-tone brown hat.