

# Pearls of wisdom

For a super-stylish big day, follow these tips from the people in the know



## Jackie Tyson

**Avon's celebrity make-up artist**

Your make-up has to look great in the photographs so you may need to wear a little more than usual. For a flawless finish, use a base that matches your skin tone exactly. Make your eyes the focal point and give them definition using eyeliner or a dark shadow close to the top lashes. For staying power, apply lip liner all over your lips before you finish with a slick of lipstick."

## Julia Boggio

**Photographer**

If it isn't already included in your wedding package, ask your photographer to do a pre-wedding or engagement shoot with you. For the camera-shy, it's a good opportunity to practise being photographed and to discover your best side. What's more, you can also get some great pictures to give as presents on the day."



## Dan Dower & Diane Hall

**Jewellery designers, Dower & Hall**

Brides often have trouble thinking of ways to co-ordinate 'something blue' with an all-white outfit. For our bespoke customers we often put a little blue topaz bead at the back of our necklaces – even if the rest is white pearl. It's a lovely but subtle way to incorporate the colour and will act as a lifelong reminder of your special day."

## Sabine Darrall

**Florist, The Gilded Lily**

Consider alternatives to white and cream when choosing your table linen. A coloured tablecloth that complements your floral tablecentres will enable you to create a truly individual and co-ordinated look. Pale green, caramel or dusky-pink set off flowers beautifully and will work well with most colour schemes."



## Ian Stuart

**Bridal designer**

If you're unsure of how to start planning the overall look of your big day, choose a theme, era or your favourite colour to use as a starting point and build the wedding around it. This will make the whole shopping experience a lot easier, and will also enable you to have a stylish and co-ordinated wedding."

## Trisha Dash-O'Toole

**Director, Indigo Sky Events**

Don't be afraid to personalise your day. For the speeches, take the best of the traditional and add your own touches. We all have many people who are dear to us, so invite a close friend or the person who introduced you to your partner to say a few brief words at the wedding, rather than having long, formal speeches."

