



COLOUR therapy
Joy-inducing brights replace muted tones this season, whether it's colour-pop perfume bottles (perfect for jazzing up your dressing table) or high-vis eyeliners taking the place of that tired black kohl. From pastels to neons, anything goes – so long as it's colourful.

A SHADE FROM THE BYREDO PRISMIC 18 COLOURS EYESHADOW PALETTE, £77

GUCCI KOHL EYE LINER PENCIL IN AMETHYSTE AND CÉLESTE, £38 EACH

JO MALONE BLOSSOMS COLLECTION, FROM £44

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What's in, what's out and what those in the know are talking about

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NEW FROM NEW YORK Thread facials
Not to be confused with thread lifts (a rather icky cosmetic procedure involving fibres placed under the skin), Pietro Simone's holistic facial – taught to him by his grandmother – uses cotton thread pulled over the face to massage and resurface. ELLE US Beauty Director Katie Jayne Becker swears by it for a skin reset: 'You're smooth but not stripped. Like baby dermaplaning.' *The Pietro Simone Anti-Ageing Cotton Thread Revitalising Facial* is £249 at Dr Pradhya Apté clinics in Exeter and London



RETURN of the matte
Glossy finishes (see: glass skin, mirror skin and, yes, dolphin skin) have had their time to shine, but matte is officially back. From skin and blush to lipstick, the new take is suede-y and rich, never flaky or flat.

NARS AIR MATTE BLUSH IN DARLING, £25

GUERLAIN KISSKISS TENDER MATTE LIPSTICK IN WANTED RED, £31

MAYBELLINE SUPERSTAY 30H FOUNDATION IN 36 WARM SUN, £10.99

ICONIC LONDON ULTIMATE BRONZING POWDER IN MEDIUM, £25

A STROKE of genius
Mascaras have had a makeover. Simple volume boosting isn't enough anymore, with brands harnessing new technologies to up the ante. New releases include magnetic minerals to build out length (Benefit), a wand with 250 varying bristle lengths to catch every lash (Lancôme) and a formula that guarantees zero fall-out or smudging (Victoria Beckham).

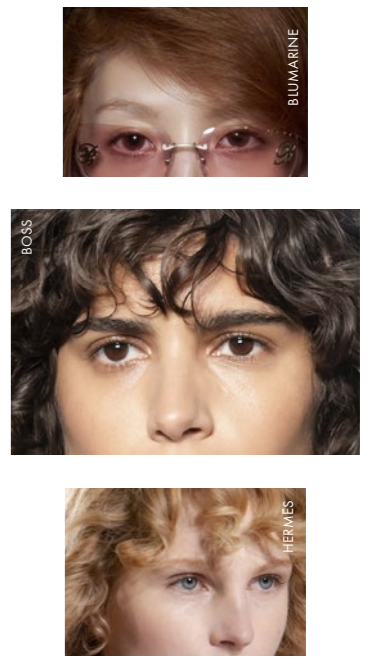
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LANCÔME LASH IDÔLE MASCARA, £23.50

BENEFIT THEY'RE REAL! MAGNET! MASCARA, £24.50

VICTORIA BECKHAM BEAUTY FUTURE LASH MASCARA, £28



SEVENTIES fringing
Good riddance to the unflattering revival of poker-straight bangs, slicked down to each side. Spring sees the return of the universally flattering Seventies fringe. 'It's one of our most requested cuts,' says hair stylist Luke Hershon. 'Left longer so you can sweep it aside, and cut with a razor so it's not too blunt, it's adaptable to pretty much every face shape and hair type.'

