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How to take a good engagement ring selfie

Show off your brand new diamond ring to the max.

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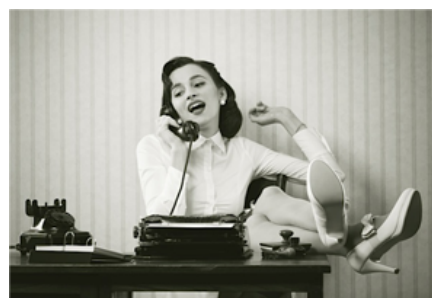
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You've **just got engaged** (congrats!) and naturally you want to dazzle social media with the gorgeousness of your brand new ring. But how do you take the perfect engagement ring selfie? Read on...

Light show

You need lots of light to show your twinkly new diamond at its best. Office fluorescents

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aren't great and your flash will be a bit too dazzling, so go outside or by a window to get those stones winking.

Get your nails done

It doesn't matter if it's a full professional job or just a quick slick of clear nail polish at home, but give your nails a bit of attention. There's nothing more distracting than chipped blue varnish or a bit of grub under the nails.

GLOSSARY OF ENGAGEMENT RING CUTS

Find your angle

Straight on or from the side? Experiment with different angles to make sure you display your stones and your setting.

Too much of a good thing

Believe it or not, some people might not want to see a whole collage of ring photos on their Facebook feed. Experiment with a few different shots, but only share one.

Keep it quality

Your phone will never match up to a DSLR camera, but that doesn't mean you should settle for poor quality photos. Make sure your engagement ring is in focus and avoid the zoom as this creates a more pixelated image.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU HATE YOUR ENGAGEMENT RING

Background is key

You want something pretty but not too distracting so a nice landscape shot is great. If this is proving tricky, lay your hand on top of some plain furniture and always keep your background uncluttered.

High handed

If your hands are looking a little more veiny than you'd like – hold them above your head for 30 seconds so that they lose some of their swelling and look a little more youthful.

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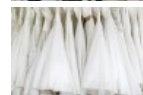
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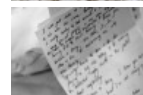
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