

Celebrity beauty special: Katy Perry's make-up secrets

How the 'Firework' singer maintains her quirky look

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Pop star **Katy Perry** is famous for switching up her looks, and whether it's changing her hair colour or her make-up she always manages to look cutting edge and stunning.

And the 27-year-old 'Teenage Dream' singer, who recently split from husband **Russell Brand**, has been carefully cultivating her eccentric retro style for years.

Here Katy's hair colourist and make up artist reveal some of the star's beauty secrets.

"Her [beauty] vision was a pin up girl inspired with a modern twist," says make up expert Su Han, who previously worked as one of Katy's make-up artists.

"It's always fun to do the glamorous and feminine red lips with lots of lashes and liquid eyeliner. I would double up a strip lashes with 1/3 outer corner lashes to enhance the winged eyes."

Su recommends Dior Show mascara for lashes. "Katy loved strong, well groomed eye brows," she explains.

"Brows frame the face. As long as your skin looks good and your brows are well groomed, you won't need much else! I filled in Katy's with Smashbox 'Brow Tech To Go' pencil."

Katy has previously spoken about her battle with acne, and Su says she made sure her skin was always radiant by using Vichy Liftactiv cream on her face before applying make-up.

"It keeps her skin moisturised and firm all day, which is important if she's on a 15-18 hour day video shoot," she says.

"Otherwise, my make up tips for clients like Katy are that I always make sure to moisturise both the skin and the lips, I go light on foundation and powder, the eyebrows need to be well groomed and brushed, always smile to find the apples of your cheeks and finally, always apply highlighter on top of cheek bones."

Meanwhile, when it comes to her hair, celebrity colourist, **Rita Hazan** (The Wall Group) says Katy is passionate about change.

"Katy came to me because she wanted a huge change in colour and she was looking for something new!" explains Rita.

"Katy wanted lavender from the beginning. She knew exactly what she wanted and that was our one and only goal. I think she was feeling that colour at the moment.

"She will keep the colour until she's inspired by something else and just wakes up and says, "New colour today, Rita."

However the LA based colourist explains that swapping Katy's dyed black hair for a lighter shade was a lengthy process which should not be taken lightly.

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