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Makeup staples you should always have on hand

WHAT'S IN YOUR MAKEUP BAG?

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THE EYES ARE THE WINDOW TO THE SOUL

Aldo Celeste, international make-up artist for [glōminerals](#), recommends mascara, mascara, mascara! "It adds dimension and focus to the eyes, and opens them up. The best kind of wand/brush is full, and to avoid dumping, the mascara should not be too thick."

Having worked on countless celebrities including Jennifer Aniston, Christy Turlington and Madonna, Aldo says another must-have is a lash curler. "It helps to define and extend the lashes. A lash curler always needs to have a rounded rubber pad, preferably silicone, so that lashes won't stick to it. It's also good to have a retractable spring to prevent lash tear-out."

YOU GLOW, GIRL!

Another item essential to the cosmetic tool kit is pressed base foundation or setting powder. Aldo says this will even the skin tone and create a more flawless-looking complexion, helping you put your best face forward. The goal is to select a foundation that creates a smooth, natural finish and preferably a mineral-based foundation that protects the skin.

Bronzer is another must-have because it's so darn versatile. "In a pinch, you can use it to contour your entire face and eyes. Plus, everyone looks good with a little extra glow. Choose a bronzer that is not too orange and that has buildable colour and coverage," he says.

LET'S NOT FORGET THE TOOLS

To feel and look great, you need the right tools to apply the makeup. If you have only one brush, you'll want a versatile option such as a blender brush, which has a short handle and a full head that can apply a pressed foundation, bronzer or even blush. "Natural-hair brushes work well," he says. "Choose a high-quality brush that will last for years."

PUCKER UP

Want to add dimension to your lips and pull the entire look together? Pick up some lip gloss. It freshens your look and provides a nice sheen. Aldo recommends finding one that nourishes and hydrates while adding colour and shine.

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