

Makeover Magic

Earlier this year, M&Co offered readers the chance to win a completely new look by spending the day with a top stylist in London, receiving tips on hair, make-up and the latest trends to suit their colouring and bodyshape. What's more, the lucky winner would also receive £500 to spend in M&Co on a new winter wardrobe!

That lucky winner was Lynne Slatter from Bicester who, having just turned 40, felt "she was well and truly stuck in a fashion rut - completely unsure of what she should be wearing for her age. Our stylist, Carol Spenser, assured her that, when it comes to choosing your most flattering outfits, it has nothing to do with age and everything to do with finding the right garments to complement your bodyshape and colouring.

Before trying on her new wardrobe, Lynne was treated to expert advice from leading make-up artist, Wendy Campbell, and top hairstylist, Natalie Hutchinson. Wendy showed her how to bring out the blue of her eyes with charcoal, purple and navy shadows and pencils, complementing this with cool, pink shades for blusher and lipsticks. Natalie explained that a side-parting would be more flattering than a centre-parting and showed her how to style her hair back from her face to show off her cheekbones. For Lynne's

evening look, Wendy added false eyelashes and lots of lip gloss while Natalie added height to Lynne's hair for extra glamour.

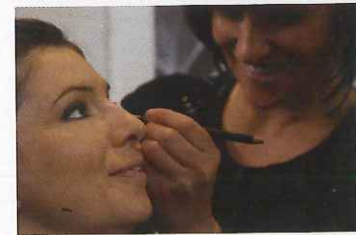
Lynne, who works as a secretary in her local town, arrived for her special day in her usual work clothing of jeans, T-shirt and short cardigan. Carol quickly advised her that with her dark hair and blue eyes, she should go for much brighter colours or opt for patterned tops. Also, she should go for a much more fitted look with her clothing to show off her lovely slim waist, small bustline and gorgeous, curvy hips!

The first outfit Carol picked out for Lynne was a longline tunic in the latest animal print fabric teamed with leg-lengthening, denim jeggings. To show off Lynne's lovely waistline, Carol added a wide, black belt to give an eye-catching 'Cinched-In' look. This is a practical and comfortable look for work but gives Lynne a much younger and fashionable look.

Because of Lynne's contrasting, 'Bright' colouring, Carol also chose a fabulous knitted dress in shades of red and purple with a co-ordinating red, military-style coat with wide lapels and black buttons. Carol explained that accessories are the easiest way to follow fashion each season and keep you looking and feeling young and confident. Lynne admitted she would never have

considered the purple tights, scarf, bag and hat - but loved her new look. Finally, Carol decided to inject some much-needed glamour into Lynne's wardrobe in the form of a sparkly 'Little Black Dress' (every woman should have one...) and a sensational purple, satin dress which really showed off her curves! Accessories again were all-important - glittering jewellery, an elegant silver clutch bag and diamond-decorated sandals. Lynne will have no worries now about 'having nothing to wear' for the forthcoming Christmas and 'New Year' parties!

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