AT-HOME BEAUTY

Going out to get your beauty fix is so last season. This winter, women in the know are staying in their living room

MAKEOVER MISSIONARIES



Who: Face Makeup

What's the idea? A professional make-up artist comes to your house/office/hotel, armed to the teeth with all the cosmetics they need to make you look fabulous. There are 120 artists nationwide, and they are not affiliated to any make-up brand.

On offer: Anything, including a special occasion makeover, £40, make-up lessons, £75, and bridal or hen night beauty, from £50. Or, if you're in a rush, try The Enhancer, from £50 – a quickie service where four people can be made up in an hour.

Available where? UK-wide, although currently only one artist in Northern Ireland. How much notice?
As much as possible, but they can usually work to about three days, even less if pushed. Far-flung places, such as Cumbria, Cornwall and rural parts of Wales, may need extra notice.

Our verdict? 'We

decided to go for

The Enhancer

to change us from dreary work make-up (or lack thereof) to foxy evening looks. Our make-up artist was called Doryn, and I was rather expecting he

was called Doryn, and I was rather expecting her to be elderly, portly and a member of the WI, so when she turned out to

be a highly fashionable, gorgeous 20-something, I was very pleased. She explained that Face match their artists to the clients (did that make us highly fashionable and gorgeous? I hope so). Doryn laid out a vast array of top-end brand make-up and we all spent some

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of making us look 'enhanced', listening to what we normally go for assessing which colours would suit us, encouraging forays into new looks and spilling out handy tips along the way. She said the most popular service was bridal beauty, but honestly, if you wait until you're getting married to try this, you're missing out.'

Info: Call 0870 722 00330 or visit www. facemakeup.co.uk

BOTOX ON A BIKE



Who: Botonics

What's the idea? Forget trekking all the way to a clinic to get your fix of fillers – a doctor can now come to you, 9am-9pm any day of the week (even out of hours if you're VIP, we're told). It's also completely anonymous, and there are no logos on the bike, the practitioner or his box of goodies, so no fear of twitching curtains either.

On offer: Botox,
Restylane and Perlane
dermal fillers, thread vein
removal, lip enhancement
and skin peels. House calls
cost from £80, plus the cost of
the treatment (Botox is £200 per area).

Available where? Just London zones 1-6 at the moment, but they're hoping to expand soon, so watch this space.

How much notice? The website has a calendar of available dates over the next two months, and they get booked up quite quickly, but do sometimes have late cancellations.

Our verdict? 'Cyrille. my very dashing, French Botox man, arrived on his bike in black leathers, and swept into

Make yourself look 10 years younger with a Botox treatment

my living room

carrying a cool box. He was utterly charming and professional and put me at ease straight away. He asked what I wanted to have done and what results I was looking for (which turned out to be quite a lot).

A little at a time is better," said Cyrille, which I have to admit. I now do agree with. I lay on my couch with a pillow under my head and he zapped my forehead with Botox. It took about 10 minutes and was totally pain free. Then I had the little ay' smokers lines around my mouth done too.

which was a bit more work (dentist-style injection, then filler injected). I could have headed to work after the Botox (he came at 8aml), but the anaesthetic made my mouth swell a little, so I had the morning off. What a relief not to have to hop on the tube afterwards. The results are fab. Goodbye Botox clinics, I will definitely do this again.

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