

Neil Barton shows us how to create the Forties look



The Edinburgh Reporter was invited along to Elm Row to meet city hairdresser, Neil Barton, to find out how easy it is to recreate a 40s look which is so popular right now. We took the opportunity of filming him at work to show you how you could create this look at home (perhaps with a friend though!). Or of course you can hotfoot it along to get Neil to do it for you...

The eyes of the world were on London recently as London Fashion Week took place. Neil Barton had some thoughts on the various hairstyles he spotted on the catwalk:-

Super Straight and Centre Parted

As seen at Daks and Erdem, this should look immaculate so keep up with your regular trims to keep it looking fresh. Apply a little serum to wet hair and blow dry with a paddle brush. Create a centre parting, spritz with heat defence spray and run through with the hair straighteners. Spray hairspray directly onto the palms of your hands and smooth the hair from the roots to the ends.

Naturally Dishevelled

As seen at Issa, this is a really cool, edgy look. The trick is to make it look like it has taken no effort at all! The hair should be blow-dried upside down to create as much volume as possible, you can add a little dry shampoo for that extra boost. Spray with a sea-salt spray to enhance your natural texture.

Ponytails

Ponytails were a recurring theme. To be worn with a simple centre parting and a sleek finish, or with a deep side parting and texture. Either way they look great with a sharp fringe for contrast. Use a little serum to tame those flyaways.

1920s Inspired

This vintage style was a key style on the catwalks and it's perfect for a glamorous evening event. Braid the hair into two plaits, wrap one around the other, creating a figure of eight and pin in place.

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