

THE SLICKEST UPDO

Lift your hair up into a sleek bun to beat the heat. **By Ria Bhatia**

The searing summers are not kind to hair, and leaving your locks loose in the scorching humidity is not a great idea. We love the idea of a bun in this weather; it's a fave on our list of the best summer hairstyles. Not just any bun though, but a slicked-back updo that screams chic glamour. Here's how you can get yourself a sleek top knot like Zendaya's.



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CREATING THIS SMOOTH AND GLOSSY FINISH IS EASIER THAN YOU THINK



Earth Collective Anti-Frizz Hair Serum

K18 Leave-in Molecular Repair Hair Mask

MOROCCANOIL Intense Hydrating Mask

Schwarzkopf Professional Bosstättig Hyaluronic Moisture Kick Shampoo

L'Oréal Paris Elnett Satin Spray

After shampooing and conditioning your hair with products that boost nourishment and shine, let your hair air-dry naturally. When the strands are just damp (and not dripping wet, like before), apply a generous amount of hair serum down their length to smoothen and moisturise them. Pick up a detangler brush and comb your hair

USE YOUR REGULAR HEAT PROTECTANT BEFORE IRONING

out well, ensuring there are no knots. If you have very curly or wavy texture, you might want to iron your hair to improve anageability and achieve a sleeker look. Tie your hair into a high ponytail, then curl it into a tight top knot and secure it with bobby pins. Finally, tame any flyaways with a styling spray. **1**