

Fast Fixes

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DAY-TO-NIGHT Style Hacks

Prepping for a night out post-work doesn't have to take forever.

On those rare occasions you get to go out on a weeknight, you don't want to waste precious time at the office primping or fussing over your attire. Instead, try these items, which will elevate your look from day to night in just minutes.



DAY-TO-NIGHT DILEMMA:

"I'm a complete novice at eye makeup. How can I play up my eyes super fast?"

SOLUTION: Waxing the City Eyebrow Pencil (available in six shades) (\$21, Waxing the City locations)

WHY IT WORKS: For a shortcut to more-striking eyes, darken your brows with this brow pencil, which has a spoolie on one end for blending. According to Mindy Gray, senior product manager at Waxing the City, a dramatic brow works for evening since you'll be in places with low lighting. "You want to play up your features by using more product and a darker color," she says. "A bold brow will give you that extra pop to make you shine at any event!"

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It's reversible!

DAY-TO-NIGHT DILEMMA:

“I carry so much to work, I don’t want to pack a completely different outfit.”

SOLUTION: BB Dakota Teagan Vegan Leather Jacket in Thunderstorm (\$95, bbdakota.com)

WHY IT WORKS: Rather than bring an extra dress, skirt or top to change into, switch up your outerwear. During business meetings, wear this genius reversible jacket with the faux-suede showing; it’ll blend in with your toned-down corporate duds. When it’s time for that soiree or happy hour with your colleagues, show off the faux-leather side to add edge to your OOTD. Instant badass.

DAY-TO-NIGHT DILEMMA:

“There’s no time for a blowout. What can I do to change up my hair?”

SOLUTION: Kitsch Arrow Clip in Gold (\$14, mykitsch.com)

WHY IT WORKS: Make it look like you put more thought into your hair situation than you actually did by adorning your tresses with this pretty clip, also available in silver. Have just a few minutes? Create a side part and use it to push a section of hair away from your face. If you have a bit more time and longer hair, use it to conceal the elastic of a half-up style.



DAY-TO-NIGHT DILEMMA:

“Matching statement jewelry to my going-out look is so confusing.”

SOLUTION: Chloe + Isabel Jai-pur Convertible Jacket Earrings (\$41, chloeandisabel.com)

WHY IT WORKS: Eye-catching baubles can be a tough sell because they work with only a limited number of outfits in your closet. That’s not the case with these earrings. You can wear them eight different ways (see below for ideas), so you can go as simple or as dramatic as you’d like with the accessory.



Wear the blue stud ...

... or add the halo ...

... or go all out and wear them with the jacket!

DAY-TO-NIGHT DILEMMA:

“I want to do basic makeup, but my clutch can hold only essentials.”

SOLUTION: The Pocket Palette (3 units for \$12, thepocketpalette.com)

WHY IT WORKS: Slightly larger than a Post-it Note, this kit has all you need to do a simple beauty look: a brush loaded with mascara to enhance your lashes, a highly pigmented rosy liquid for your lips and cheeks (you need just a tiny bit), and a BB cream (or foundation), which comes in four shades, to blur any redness. Plus, you can apply the BB cream and lip/cheek color with your fingers.



Actual size!

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