



STYLEWATCH

Spring Forward

>>Nicholas Penna Jr, owner/lead stylist of SalonCapri in Boston presents his spring 2014 trend forecast, with hair styles inspired by some of the hottest looks from the catwalks of New York Fashion Week. Among them: an intricate, basket-weave bun with intertwining pieces of hair formed into a breathtaking updo; a new kind of braid—peek-a-boo style; and an "un-braided" mermaid tail.

The Basket Weave Bun

STEP 1: Start by generously lathering hair with Kerastase Life Vertige Root-Uplifting Gel to smooth frizz and give hair volume. Start by grabbing hair on top of head and pulling it straight backward, as if to start a French braid.

STEP 2: While holding that section of hair in place, alternate grabbing 1-inch sections of hair from the left and right side of head, and intertwining them. Continue this technique down the back of the head to create the basket-weave look. Spray periodically with a finishing spray to keep hair in place.

STEP 3: When reaching the nape of the neck, create a messy bun with the remaining hair, and secure with a hair elastic. For a messier look, leave out some pieces, and bobby pin extraneous hair loosely around the bun.

STEP 4: Finish with L'Oréal Professionnel Perfect Shimmer Shine Illuminating Mist for hold and shine.





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The Curtain Braid

STEP 1: Comb through dry hair removing all tangles. Flatiron to stick-straight.

STEP 2: Part hair over the left eyebrow. Grab a 1-inch deep section of hair from the lesser side, and begin an outside French braid. Continue braiding along the curvature of the hairline until you reach the back of ear. Transition to regular braid. Secure braid with a clear hair elastic at the bottom.

STEP 3: Pull a 2-inch section of hair on dominant side across forehead. Tuck behind ear.

STEP 4: Drape braid around back of head, looping underneath loose hair. Secure with bobby pins. Finish with a light hold hairspray.

Mermaid Tail

STEP 1: Prep roots with L'Oréal Professionnel True Grip Texturizing Powder.

STEP 2: Begin by loosely braiding one or two small sections behind ear. Then twist main portion of hair, and pin to back of head. Make sure to add volume to crown of head by backcombing, and gently tugging upwards with a fine-tooth comb.

STEP 3: Loosely braid hair, incorporating the one or two tight braids you created. For a messier look, gently pull sections of hair out to hang loose.

STEP 4: Secure bottom with a hair elastic. Finish with a coat of Shu Uemura Sheer Lacquer Finishing Spray.





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