



Whether you're heading to a gala or a party for two, these styles will get you gorgeous in 15 minutes tops. BY KIMBERLY A. DALY

1 THE POLISHED PONYTAIL

**GET THE LOOK Spray almost**dry hair with a volumizer, like [1] Logics Color DNA Full Scale Root Finisher (\$20; logicshair.com), and then lift sections away from the scalp as you blow-dry. Tease the top section gently using a fine-tooth comb. Switch to a brush like [2] Goody Achieve Volume Root Lifter Brush (\$7; at drugstores) to tightly pull the sides and back of your hair into a ponytail, and secure with an elastic band. Next, smooth back the top section, pinning the ends above the band with [3] Ricky's NYC Invisipin Bobby Pins (\$3; rickysnyc.com). Pull a little hair from underneath the pony, wrap it around the elastic, and pin out of sight.





SLEEK AND SEXY

> **GET THE LOOK "The** trick is to start with nourished strands," says Nicholas Penna Jr., owner of Salon Capri in Newton, Massachusetts. "Healthy hair is easier to manage and it reflects more light." After shampooing, smooth on a deep conditioner like [1] Kérastase Chronologiste (\$145; kerastase-usa .com); let it sink in for five minutes, then rinse. When you're ready to blow-dry, flip your head upside down and blast your hair with heat until nearly all of the water

has evaporated. Stand up again and finish drying, using a brush to stretch out strands as you direct air down the shaft. Next, prep hair for more heat styling by spritzing with a protective product like [2] Pantene Pro-V Medium-Thick Heat **Protection & Shine** Spray (\$6; at drugstores). Glide a flat iron over twoinch sections at a time and repeat until your whole head looks silky. We like [3] Keratin Complex KeraStyler Printed Flat Iron (\$99; keratin

complex.com).



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## SIDE-SWEPT

**GET THE LOOK Start by** applying a volumizer, like [1] Samy Fat Hair "O" Calories Amplifying Mousse (\$8; at drugstores) to damp hair. Then add lift to your roots by using a round brush while blowdrying. We like [2] Shu **Uemura Art of Hair** Round Brush (\$68: shuuemuraartofhair-usa .com) for its soft bristles.

Once hair is

dry, part it on

the side and

wind strands

tapered iron,

around a

tip If you already have natural waves, skip the curling iron

Iron (\$50; rsessiontools .com). Next, gather all of your strands to one side and separate into three even sections. Starting a few inches away from your nape, braid them together and secure the end with an elastic band. "Weave it tightly, then go back and gently loosen the plait with your fingers," says Jenny Cho, a celebrity hairstylist in Los Angeles who regularly works with Amanda Seyfried. "The more disheveled the braid, the more romantic it looks."



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CLOSE CROP WITH WAVES

**GET THE LOOK Short** hair often gets the short end of the stick when it comes to big-night-out glam. To dress up your look-without pricey extensions-work a palm-size dollop of gel into wet hair. We like [1] Pantene Pro-V Medium-Thick Hair **Solutions Smooth** Definition Gel (\$4; at drugstores). Next, make a deep side part, choosing the side your hair tends to naturally fall to, says Gianni, a hairstylist for Ojon in Toronto. Then use your hand as a guide: Place it

on your head horizontally with fingers spread wide. so there's space to create ripples. Rake a comb like [2] Ricky's No-Frizz Dry-Cut Comb (\$6; rickysnyc.com) toward your part and repeat between each finger. Remove your hand and allow hair to airdry. "The less you touch it, the better," says Gianni. "If you brush it while it's still damp, the waves won't set." Finish with a mist of [3] Redken

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09 Flexible

Spray (\$15;

redken.com).

tip Use a waterbased styling gel so hair won't look "crispy"

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knows how to work her pixie cut on the red carpet



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Hydrated strands hold curls longer, so start by sudsing up with a moisturizing shampoo like [1] Kérastase Nutritive Bain Oléo-Curl Shampoo (\$34: kerastase-usa.com). When hair is dry, curl two-inch sections with an iron like [2] Brazilian Heat Tourmaline 1" Ceramic Curling

tip Already have curvy tresses? Head straight for the shine spray

Iron (\$42; amazon .com). Grip the wand vertically and wind

tresses around it from the top down (starting about three inches from the scalp), hold for 15 seconds, and release. Then wrap the same chunk of hair around your fingers, pinching it in place until it's cool. Use clips to stay organized while styling. "Otherwise you risk grabbing pieces that have already been in the iron," says Gianni. "That looks messy and leads to heat damage." To get that scenemaking sheen, finish with a spritz of [3] Avon Techniques Mirror Shine Spray (\$8; avon.com).

