

SATURDAY SHOP



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Hair ruin from 80s

HAIRSPRAY, bleaching and backcombing have been blamed on ruining women's hair throughout the Eighties and helped win it the dubious title of most damaging decade.

Women from the South East voted it the worst decade for their hair which was styled as large as their shoulder pads.

Research carried out by haircare experts Dove, found that the damage done wasn't just to our hair.

A third admitted being reduced to tears after having their baretts hacked at by hairdressers, half of women in the South East say bad haircuts have ruined photos.

And Bridget Jones has a lot to answer for with 30 per cent of women in the South East resorting to straightening their hair on an ironing board.

New look Matalan

SHOPPERS at Matalan in Broadstairs on Friday June 3 can pick up some top make-up tips from image consultant Nicole Pitt-Williams. Nicole will be in store between 10am-6pm.

Matalan is situated on the East Kent Retail Park, Westwood Road, Broadstairs, and can be contacted on 01843 608700.

Glades mind kids

CREATIVE kids will be kept entertained as their parents shop 'til they drop.

The Glades, Bromley, is offering workshops for children to be artistic which will let parents shop without the hassle of kids holding them up.

They will be held at the upper mall outside Zara and run from Monday to Friday June 3. For more information phone customer services on 0208 466 8899.

Next it's Strood

High street fashion chain Next will open a new store at Strood Retail Park on Wednesday, June 1, which will create more than 50 new jobs.

The new store will sell women's and children's clothes on the ground floor and menswear upstairs.

For the next two weeks shoppers can enter a prize draw for £250 of vouchers.

IF you have an unusual shop you think our readers would be interested in, or if you have shopping news to share, email: shopping@kosmedia.co.uk or fax 01303 817 002.

Chocolate fountains have become a popular centrepiece for weddings. Invites can be as individual as you and your dress for the great day

Decide on your style a few months beforehand, and work towards it. NB the hair should not be longer than the veil, and a tiara needs to be fitted by someone experienced. Flowers in the hair look lovely, but again go to someone who knows what they are doing or you will be more Ma Larkin than Diana Spencer. Please, do not be a fashion victim – choose something timeless that won't make you cringe in several years' time.

And believe me, have a practice. It may seem unnecessary, but it is not. You need to know what you will be doing, wearing, hearing, saying. Then you will be as relaxed as you can be, and enjoy the day.

You can take the day as seriously as you like, and still have fun with it. You are presumably doing it because you want to, so whatever you choose to mark the big day, it should make you both feel happy, and give you something to look at, and show people, in the years to come.

Go for it, is my advice to you. How about fireworks in the evening? Try Viking Fireworks (01843 596717). They are based in Ash, and will

make your show really special.

A lucky chimney sweep to kiss the bride? It's a tradition going back more than 200 years, when a London sweep saved the life of George IV. Try Martin Glynn in Orpington (020 8302 5468).

Other popular choices at the moment are profiterole wedding cakes, and chocolate fountains.

Photographers

Sophisticakes in Maidstone will concoct you something unique for the occasion (01622 693330).

For a delicious chocolate fountain, contact Stuart Hadley (01322 337475).

Photographs can make or break a memory. Choose someone you like, look at their portfolio and brief them properly.

Ask friends who have been married recently and ask them to recommend a photographer. There are dozens of horror stories but it really does matter that you choose someone reliable. And equally make sure you compare prices – expense does not always mean quality.

Try Wedding Day Photography, in Waltham near Canterbury (01227 700548).

Stationery? I personally don't like messing about with this and prefer to be simple and traditional. I am in the minority, I would suggest, and if you want to push the boat out, choose a good company who will work with you.

Millbank and Kent in Canterbury are pretty good – check out their website on www.millbankkent.com, or call Sarah Perkins on 01227 860022.

Music? Well, whatever, really. Discos, string quartets, Elvis impersonators. Try String Sound on 01304 3731407 for the strings. Vicky will play the clarinet and sing too.

Catering: Hire a hog roaster for your reception and think no more about it. Contact Chilham Catering. www.chilham-catering.co.uk

How about games to amuse your guests? Call Ace of Diamonds in Billericay, who can provide trained croupiers, fun money to exchange at tables for gaming chips and so on. 01277 659617

A SILKY ALL-ROUND BLUSHER

NARS Nico is described as a blush, although it's a champagne colour with a subtle glitter effect.

The texture is dry and powdery rather than silky and picked up easily on my large powder brush leaving behind some powdery

residue in the container.

When I applied the powder I expected it to make my face look glittery but I couldn't instantly see it, but as I turned in different light it gives a natural soft illuminising fresh glow to the skin.

This blush is my new best friend, it has so many uses, I use it as an eyeshadow, a highlighter and a setting powder to my foundation.

A good all-rounder for the make-up bag

Score: 9/10
Suzanne Harrington



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