5 Trendy Hairstyles for Winter 2014-2015

Whether you have long, short or medium length hair, it's always nice to update your look at the beginning of a new season. The winter season, of course, is a favorite. We get to dress it up for all of our holiday cocktail parties and events with glitter, upsweeps and glam-galore. But the five hairstyles we've selected for this article can be used for daily casual looks as well.

Big Bouncy Waves



This style works for nearly every length, if the hair is long enough to wrap around a big brush or roller. The look is sexy, sleek and fresh. You never appear as though you tried too hard or just walked out of a salon.

Many men love this look as it is natural, yet seductive. The best way to get this look is to use 1.5 inch rollers after your hair is semi-dry. Leave in until completely dry. You can also achieve this look with steam or electric rollers or a curling iron.

Sexy Braids are the Rage



Braids have made a huge comeback and this winter is a perfect time to show your braiding acumen. There are several styles of braiding, as well as a large variety of where to place and how to wear them. The whole style can be one long, sexy braid, or different sections can be braided and wrapped into glamorous holiday upsweep styles.

The milkmaid braid is perhaps the most popular. Similar to the photo above, the milkmaid braid starts on one or both sides and sweeps and clips to the back.



The Mussed-Up Side Do

This new side-do look only looks great if it is a little mussed up. The perfection of the look is that it appears as though the wearer was "not-trying-too-hard". This winter is all about looking as naturally stunning as possible and knowing all the easy hair tricks to do so. The mussy part of the look is achieved by adding texture either through teasing or

backcombing the hair, adding a bit of dry shampoo or a combination of both. It's best to work with hair that was not freshly washed the same day.

- Pull your hair into a side ponytail before you backcomb.
- Wrap the teased ponytail into a loose, but secure, bun. Use pins to secure the bun, if needed.
- Spray the hair so it holds, but avoid the bang area so it holds shine.
- Add a sparkly clip or barrette for holiday events.

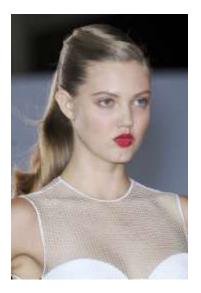
Deep Side Part with Sexy Bangs



This look is vixen-like, so use it sparingly unless you want a trail of guys following your every move. It's the perfect look for a holiday party and looks great with any length or texture of hair. Of course, the straight hair on this model adds an extra dab of sexappeal, but curly or wavy hair will also work, as long as the bangs are softly curled or nearly straight.

To get this look, start with a deep side part. Dry in sections and finish with your favorite straight iron.

The Ponytail



Ponytails have been cropping up all year - from casual to elegant - such as in this photo. Used to be they were for soccer moms who didn't have time to fix their hair or worn by cheerleaders. Now we're seeing them on everyone and they look more chic than ever. We doubt you need instructions on how to create this look. But if you want this shiny, elegant pony tail, be sure to prepare your hair by sufficiently flattening it with a straight iron and using a shiner to finish it off, right before you pull it up into a clip.