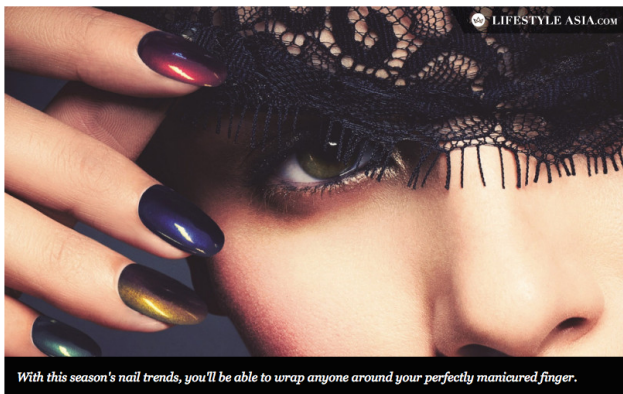




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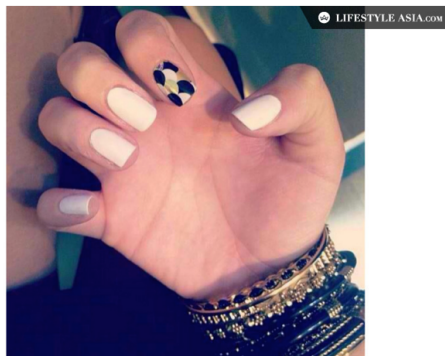
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### Beauty

You've updated your wardrobe with the latest autumn **trends**... but what about the rest of your look? Don't forget to nail it with some of the season's hottest new manicure trends – we spoke to some of Hong Kong's top nail experts to find out what we should be rocking on our fingers this fall.

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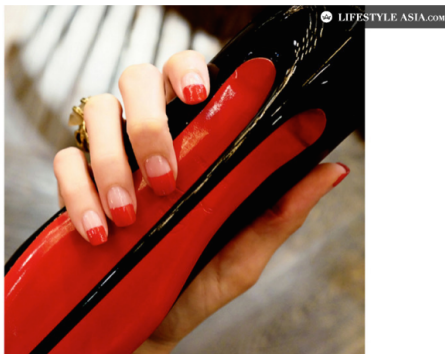
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### Trend: Simple but stand-out

Wing Chan, assistant manager of 10/10 SPACE, believes that simplicity is key this season:

"Fancy bling-bling nail art is not on trend right now. It's all about simple nail art that brings out the contrast of colour or texture differences – for instance, a matte and glossy dual texture, or reverse coloured half-moon manicures. It can be fun to play with dual contrasts using the super-metallic Minx effects too."

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### Trend: French chic

Forget Le French May... Ping Lam, founder of The Nail Library, reckons it's all about cool French brands for autumn:

"Having been chosen as the exclusive partner to launch its gorgeous nail lacquers in Hong Kong, Christian Louboutin's Rouge Louboutin iconic red is our favourite pick for the season – classic and decadent!"

We're also loving Kure Bazaar, a four-free natural nail polish brand from France. With its environmentally friendly formula, long lasting durability and vibrant colours inspired by the world of fashion, Kure Bazaar should be every girl's best friend. Try the bittersweet muted autumn colours of Sofisticato (a soft taupe), Khaki (camo green) and Smokey (a cloudy grey).

And of course, don't forget the classic French! **Chanel** has a gorgeously chic approach to fall with its new shade Orage 631 – a dark moody deep grey-blue that will fit perfectly with your autumn wardrobe."

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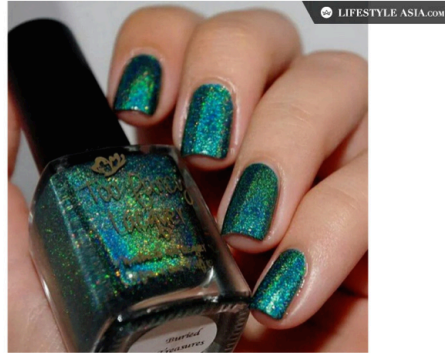


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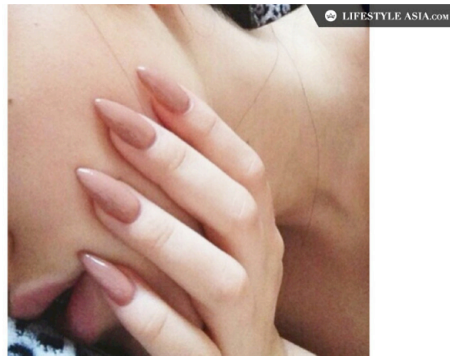
As the founder of Hong Kong-based independent nail polish e-boutique Shop Dazzled, Denise Tam believes her customers' lust for glitter will continue throughout fall:

"Holographic nail polishes are currently all the rage for indie polish lovers... and long may this trend continue! Too Fancy Lacquer is a local indie brand that specialises in gorgeous holographic polishes; they created this special teal shade, Buried Treasures, exclusively for our monthly surprise Holo Grail Box, where all polishes remain a mystery until you receive them – a concept that's been a real best-seller.

Microglitters are another recent big trend – little glitters that sparkle like crazy but are much easier to remove than the chunky glitters of old. They can be layered over other colours with thin coats, used for mani gradients or as single accent nails to create a million different looks. I love French Roast, a creation from New York-based brand Cirque, which also hits another key colour of the season, [bronze](#).

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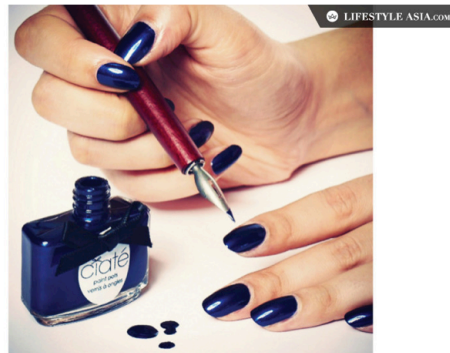
### Trend: Long and defined

Sandra Grau, general manager of Flawless spa, sees eye-catching shapes as a big trend for fall:

"Call them talons, stiletto nails, claws, almond-shaped nails or simply pointy, the long and defined nail trend has been embraced by many celebrities and fashion [runways](#). The talon shape elongates fingers and exudes sexy and tough. If you don't feel comfortable with long nails, try oval outlines on medium and short nails for a similar effect.

Meanwhile, the unconventional French manicure is back with vintage-looking nail art like half-half, half-moons and diagonally-split designs. Barely-there pinks and nudes, browns, hazy shades of blue, dusty teals, dark reds and dark polishes with metallic finishes are the notable nail hues of the season."

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### Trend: Vamp it up

London-based nail polish brand Ciaté – who popularised the caviar mani in the beauty world – is a fashionista favourite thanks to its runway-inspired colours and intricate DIY mani kits.

Their latest colour edit is inspired by "[luxé lingerie](#)" and features five "shimmering silken shades" perfect for slinking seductively into fall. The Autumn 2014 Haute House Collection features five of their signature mini paint pot bottles in a cute collectible display box – comprising the colours Knee Highs (inky royal blue), Can Can (deep burgundy), Tickle My Fancy (rich emerald), For The Frill Of It (molten antique gold) and Sass Pot (velvety purple). Ooh la la, indeed.

Ciaté nail polishes are available online at [www.lookfantastic.com](http://www.lookfantastic.com)