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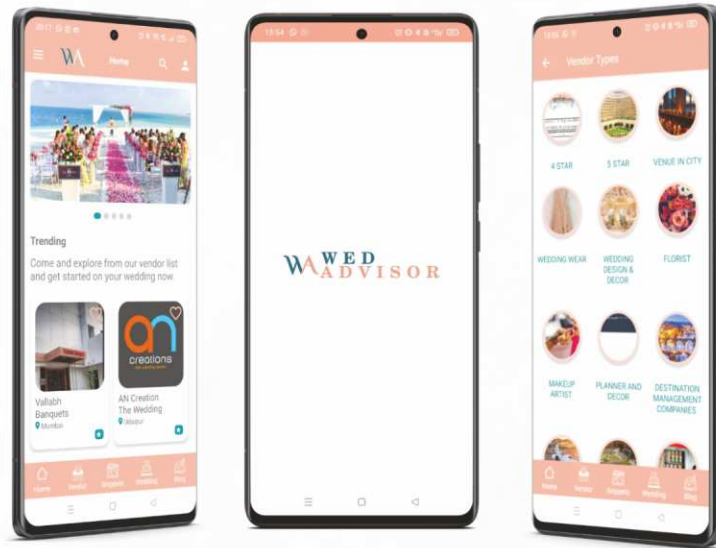
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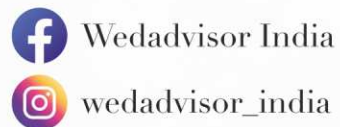


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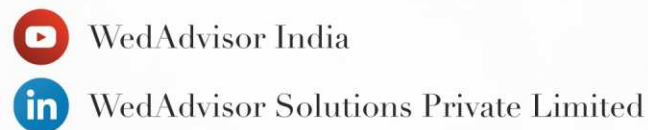


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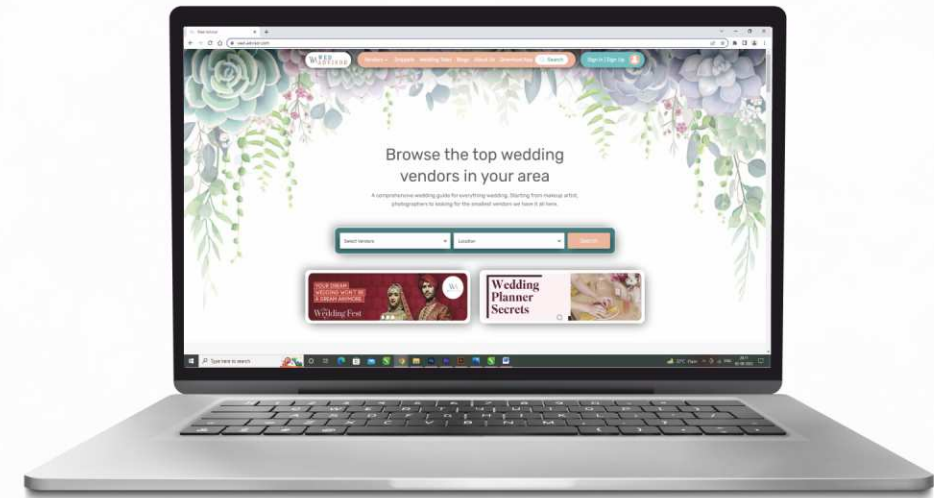
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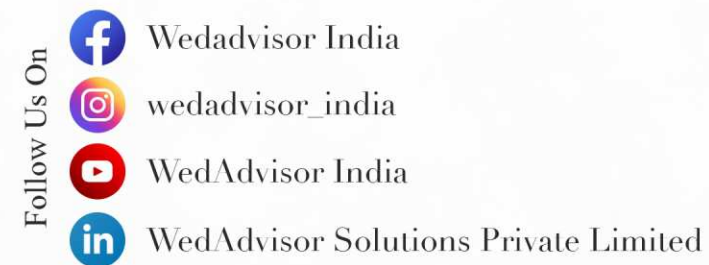
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The Welcome Issue

“
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begins with one step.
”

Lao Tzu.



Mrs. Lavisha Khattar Thapar



Welcome to our world, the world of Wed-Advisor - your holy grail for weddings, celebrations and all the fine things in life. With this new publication, with our first issue, we introduce to you a new brand and a new image that will now be very often associated with brides, grooms and celebrations of a lifetime to come. It still feels surreal to put together this issue, and while doing so, I've realised new beginnings are all around us, all the time. Be it starting over, changing directions, embracing new things or letting go of the old - it's a continuous journey of victories, defeats and new chapters. It takes a lot of effort, perseverance and strength, but one thing I know for sure is there comes beauty with that strength. And this is why we can relate so much to our cover star Akansha Ranjan Kapoor who's so unabashedly and unapologetically true to herself. She believes in positive affirmations, puts in the work and celebrates the smaller things in life. She's definitely one of a kind.

What makes the issue even more interesting is how the world-renowned artist Raghu Vyas has done the art direction and incorporated his artworks in the magazine, a never-seen-before, making this issue truly 'a piece of art.' The real weddings section on page 30 is definitely something that I resonate with the most. Being a newlywed myself, I can understand the peak of emotions a bride goes through during the course of her wedding. The insights from the pioneers of the industry - from wedding to makeup are definitely one for keeps. These past few months have been the most overwhelming, challenging, exhausting yet the most rewarding time of my life. It's a leap of faith into the unknown; it's terrifying yet exciting. It's not stopping me; it's not stopping us. I am a bit of a nutter like that. As I close my letter, my first letter to all of you - I only wish that we all can let go of the older things - the things that pull us down and find the courage and the strength to travel new roads, begin new chapters and seize new opportunities in life. A piece of my heart now lies in your hands. I hope you enjoy reading this issue as much as we've enjoyed curating it for you.

All my love,
Lavisha



Handpicked with Lav

Nineties Nostalgia: Baggy jeans, sequence tops, bucket hats, chunky shoes, lots of gold accessories and bright colours everywhere. That's the 90's era for us, and the quest to get that back is real. Brands like Versace, Valentino, Jacquemus, and Alexander Wang, with their latest reimagined runaway looks, look very reminiscent of the era. Tie-dyes, neon shades, colour blocking, embellished everything, and slip dresses are de rigueur. We're living in a sartorial time-war, and the yen for nostalgic fashion is burning strong.



1. Schiaparelli, BUST AND HEART EARRINGS, ₹114,408 approx.
2. Kilian, Straight to Heaven, White Cristal, ₹28,666 approx.
3. Versace, FALL 2022 READY-TO-WEAR Collection, Price on request.
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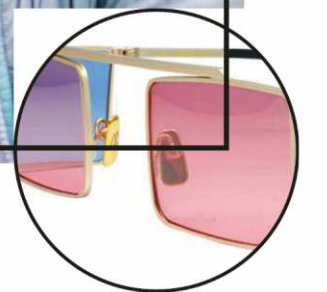
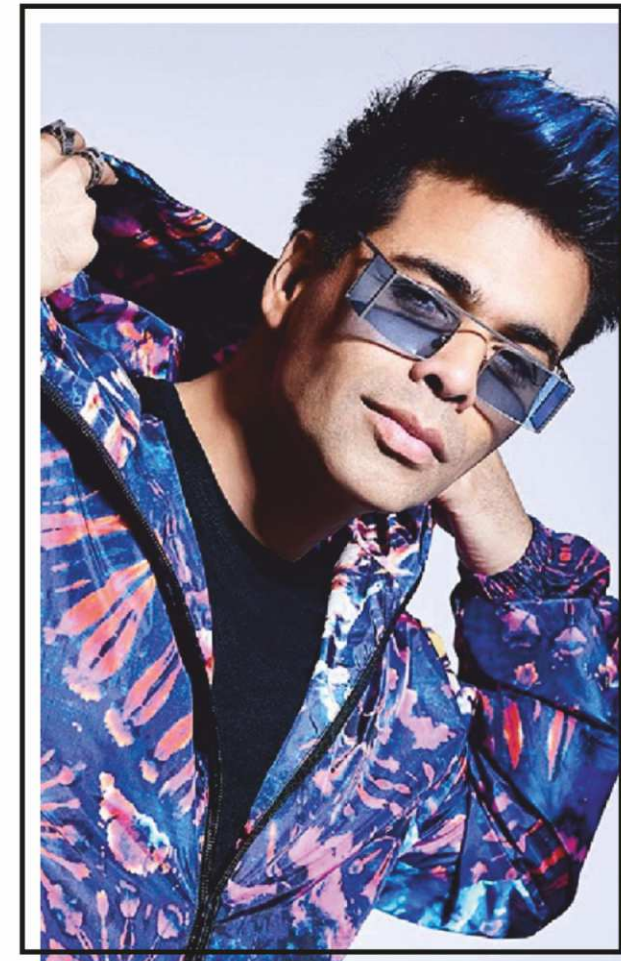
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Bring on the drama - Voluminous Silhouettes



Lattelier Oversized Belted Trench Coat, ₹1,575,980 approx

JUST LIST

Ace that look, ace that style, be the life of the party this season with these hand picked pieces

2



Chanel classic handbag, Price on Request

Go pink or go home!

3



VALENTINO balloon sleeves wrap mini dress, ₹161,241 approx.

Neon flamboyance

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Saint Laurent Oversized rhinestone heart earrings in metal, ₹37,790 approx.

Statement earrings The more exaggerated, the better!

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Whimsical crystal headband

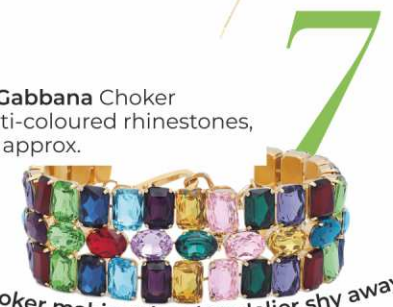
Lelet NY Daphne Spectrum Crystal Crown, ₹46,799 approx

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Papa Don't Preach by Shubhika Midnight's Babe, ₹55,000.

Mood-boosting bright shoes



Dolce & Gabbana Choker with multi-coloured rhinestones, ₹309,916 approx.

Choker making the chandelier shy away

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Carolina Herrera Flower chain necklace, white, ₹70,483 approx

Over the top florals

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Gossamer feminine armor



Miu Miu Slip dress with lace and studs, ₹129,246 approx

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Dior 5 COULEURS COUTURE VELVET LIMITED EDITION Eyeshadow, ₹ 4628 approx

Not-so-out-of-the-blue

Charlotte Tilbury Light Wonder, ₹4000



Glazed donut like skin



JIMMY CHOO Faux Pearl Monogram ring, ₹25,738 approx

Timeless elegant pearl ring

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Stella McCartney Frayme Zipit Small Vegetarian Leather Shoulder Bag, ₹104,882 approx.

Crescent bag but make it sustainable!

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Barely there sandals but with a pop of colour

Fendi First Pink Nappa Leather High-heeled Sandals, ₹110,081 Approx.

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Black is back

ROHIT GANDHI & RAHUL KHANNA Stellar black fringe dress, ₹125,000

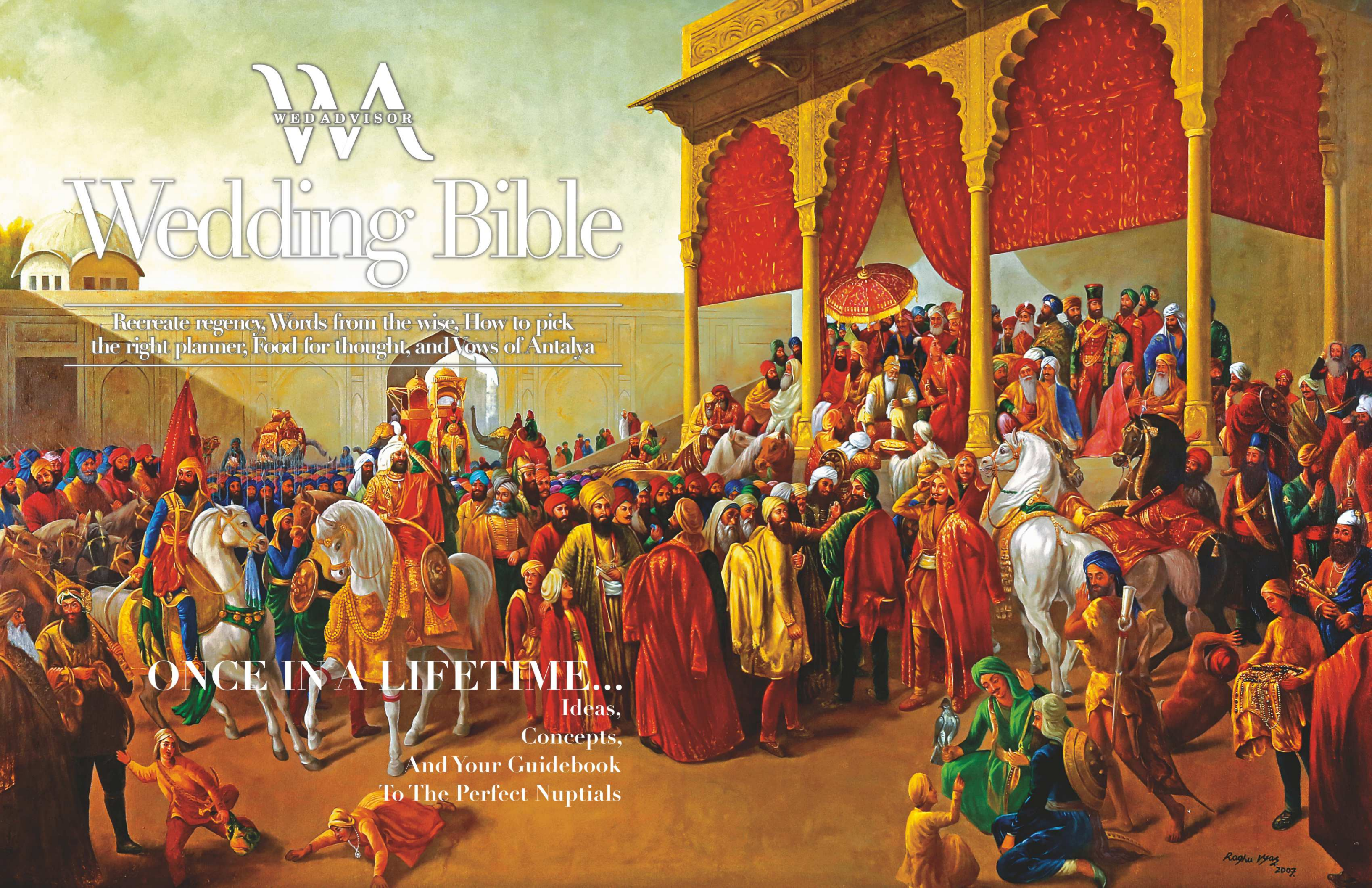


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Recreate regency, Words from the wise, How to pick the right planner, Food for thought, and Vows of Antalya

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Laduree Paris Keychain Mathilde Small macaron keychain, ₹5,574 approx



Ralph Lauren Home Adrianna Large Chandelier in Antique Silver Leaf with Crystals, Price on request.



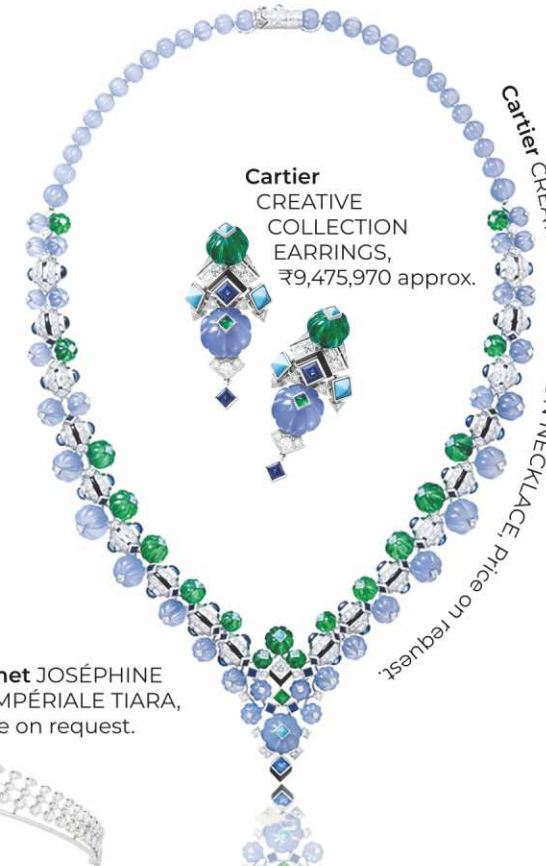
Chanel BOY-FRIEND TWEED WATCH, ₹3,467,801



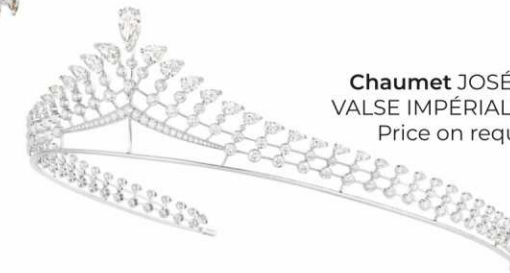
Cartier CREATIVE COLLECTION EARRINGS, ₹9,475,970 approx.



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Boca Do Lobo MARIE THÉRÈSE MIRROR, Price on request

Mach & Mach Embellished PVC pumps, ₹69,644 approx.



Prerto Palermo ₹28,900

Rohit Gandhi + Rahul Khanna Felix Layered Tuxedo, ₹110,000



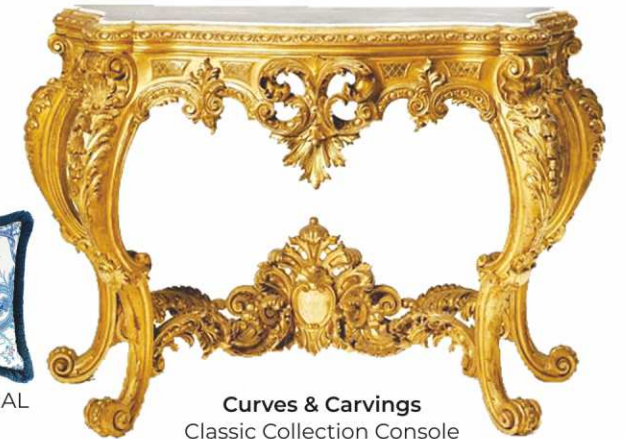
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Prada Cleo Satin Bag with Crystals, ₹2,94,695 approx



ATOLLO METAL-Vico Magistretti OLUCE, ₹1,39,706



DITYA Antique Brass Handcrafted Two Peacock Lamp, ₹6,291

Opalina Matte Gold Plated Choker Necklace ₹41,890



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MISHO SUNBURST BUN HOLDER, ₹15,244

Givenchy 4G belt in metal, Price on request



GUCCI Velvet Jacket, ₹3,09,032 approx



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Bluestone The Nelly Cuff Bangle, ₹5,71,184

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Too Faced Diamond Highlighter Fancy Pink Diamond, ₹2500 approx



Charlotte Tilbury Luxury Eyeshadow Palette - Walk of No Shame Collection, ₹4,900



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NORDSTROM Nudesse Candle, ₹4,883



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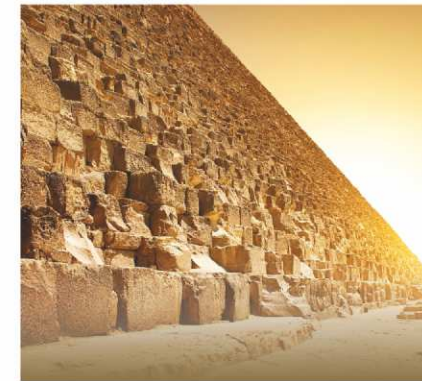
Antalya is a city on the Mediterranean coast of south-western Turkey. It is Turkey's biggest international sea resort, located on the Turkish Riviera. Antalya has something for everyone. If you want to feast on sightseeing, the labyrinthine old town is full of historic sites, while the atmospheric old harbour makes a tranquil spot to relax. The city is also perfectly placed to act as your base for sightseeing in the outlying area, where grand Roman ruins at Aspendos and caves inhabited in prehistoric times await. This city is a great spot from which to access the white sandy beaches and turquoise waters.



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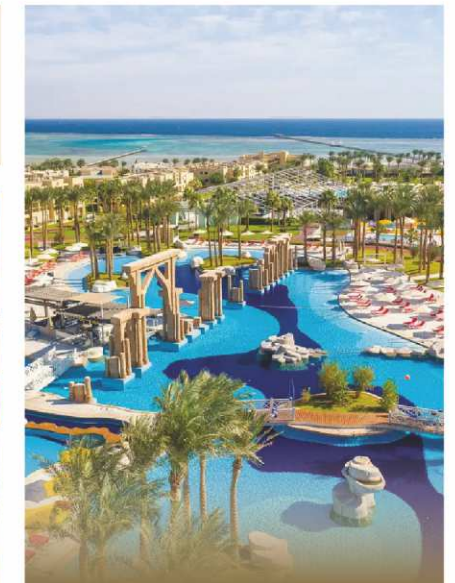
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Talk of the Titans

The stalwarts of the wedding industry share their insights into what has gone on in the sector over the past two years



Vijay Arora, Touchwood Entertainment Ltd

At a given point in 2020, it was a very difficult situation for the world, the event industry and obviously, the people. Due to all the guidelines, everything came to a halt, and eventually, a limit. People began planning and executing functions at their homes with a tiny gathering, where mostly event planners and managers did not have a big role to play. While the situation currently has been controlled, we need to be wary. Post-pandemic, there was a decrease in the large-scale events compared to what we used to do pre-pandemic. But clients had clarity; they have now understood that even in a small gathering, functions can be grand and regal as they want. And after two years, we are back on track doing large-scale events. The future of any big celebrations and social events is very good. We need to understand that in nature, we are social beings, we need to socialise. The future of the event industry is very good, and the key is to know how to grab the first movers' advantage.

Bhavnesht Sawhney, FB Celebrations Pvt Ltd

The idea of weddings as large events was turned upside down when COVID hit in 2020. An intimate gathering for every nature of celebration was suddenly the norm, and we dived straight into it. From intimate weddings towards the end of the lockdown to gradually doing semi-large weddings with 500+ guests, we have sustained through the wedding season 2021-2022 with a good number of weddings in India and Internationally. The future of weddings is grandeur and luxury; we are optimistic that the trend of the Big Fat Indian Wedding is very much here to stay, in India and across the world.



Aarti Mattoo, Momentum Experiences & Events LLP

When the pandemic hit the world, it pushed everyone into isolation and a lot of introspection. People started thinking small-intimate, homegrown backyard weddings. But a lot of us stood our ground & belief and did not succumb to the "New Normal" narrative. We knew that there was going to be NO replacement whatsoever for human interface, interpersonal relationships, the physicality of events; to the magic when people come together to celebrate. We honestly, at Momentum, did not undertake a single wedding throughout the lockdown, rather, we added new verticals and diversified. But as far as weddings were concerned, our speciality of curating the Big-Fat Indian wedding would never have been replaced by anything which was small, feeble and could never leave a long-lasting impression. I think we as a country thrive on hospitality and that paves way for curating larger-than-life experiences in celebrations be it home-ground or international destinations. Designer big fat weddings will always top the charts and are here to stay forever like our glorious couples.

Rituraj Khanna, Q Events Private Ltd

When COVID hit the world and us, our minds froze, and lives came to a standstill. We had to recoil in that situation and fall back on temporary yet supportive formats of endless webinars, conferences, and lectures. The second wave hit pretty hard. The silence was deafening, the atmosphere so eerie, with plenty of our loved ones departing to a different world. The feeling of loss was everywhere-I hate talking about it- but we at Q Events never indulged in small-intimate weddings and affairs. It was just not us. But God has been kind to us as a race and personally as well. Soon things slowly began going back to normal, and that was when he did our biggest event. Bigger than anything we had done in our entire existence. Now, the future looks bright, there is an endless flow of ideas, and the cost is no longer a constraint. Clients want the best of everything. To sum up our three years- we managed to survive, we managed to get back all our loyal team, and we managed to stand tall once again.



According to a KPMG report, the Indian wedding industry has catapulted over the decade. The market currently stands at ₹50 billion and is growing at a rapid annual rate.

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Sammir S
Gogia

"I've done everything one can possibly do in this line"



Founder of Saltt and chef Sammir S Gogia's experience and experiments make this 15-year-old legacy a top choice for weddings and more

When one has spent close to two decades building an astounding range of ventures and brands, one would undoubtedly ask 'what next?' just like we did to Saltt Caterings figurehead Sammir S Gogia. "Many people have asked me what's my expansion plan? I've done everything one can possibly do in this line". Gogia's family history with food dates back to half a century when his forefathers established Halls ketchup and tinned fruits.

On being asked what makes Saltt a leader amongst their contemporaries, he states three rationales of experience, love for food, and consistency. The brand is all about experimenting with food with perfection. And that has been its point of excellence courtesy to Gogia and his brother Sachin. His rendezvous with food began early in college when he began assisting his father at Utsav Greens. What intrigued him was the opportunity to create new dishes and meet new people, and he absolutely loved it. Being a wedding-season

favourite, it has a reputation for stirring up wildest-lip-smacking food combinations. Their quirky and unique creations include Activated charcoal gol gappa with Wasabi curd, Waffle aloo tikki, and Dahi bhalla ice cream.

For couples planning their big celebrations, Gogia advises to always go for food trials. "You should have a comfortable rapport with them, they understand your food, your palette, and is able to produce what you want to eat".

The entity is all about providing extraordinary gastronomic experiences. And one would certainly wonder if they have any plans of going global after conquering the Indian market. "At the spur of the moment, no. It's not about expanding but going into the depth of it. So global right now? Not in my plan". It is indeed great to know that Gogia has his priorities set, all on the Indian market.

WA Wedding Bible
SPOTLIGHT



Plan it right Devise your list of wedding essentials with planner extraordinaire Pallavi Batra

There are couples and families who like to ideate and plan the nitty-gritty of their events and celebrations. But what if that doesn't sound like you?

This is where event planners and management firms come into play. Donning a hat, these individuals and groups are experts at conceiving and executing the picture you've had in mind. To learn more about how this industry works and its importance, we spoke with Touchwood Entertainment Group's senior event planner Pallavi Batra to help you decide upon the wedding entruster.

Why her? Being in the industry for almost a decade, Batra leaves no stone unturned for her clients. She's at the helm of affairs allied with all the parties and has an exquisite knowledge about bars and beverages for pertinent events.

Why hire an event planner? Event planners make sure you and your loved ones enjoy your wedding and celebrations as you'll not have the hassle of doing what we'll be doing for you. But ultimately, it all comes down to the clients' personal choice, whether to hire an event planner or not.

The deciding factor while finalizing a wedding planner: The vibe. A wedding is an intimate affair and a very important day for the couple. The vibe must match so that both parties can walk this journey together. Also, the credibility and capability which comes with experience and previous work they've done.

How to allocate a budget for different heads? This is a very subjective question. We need to understand what the client wants and what their taste is before we allocate a budget. There needs to be the active involvement of the clients to allocate for the broader headings, while sub-budgets can be divided by us.

When to make the first contact? The sooner, the better. When you know you are fixed, that yes this is the person I am to get married to and have your dates sorted.

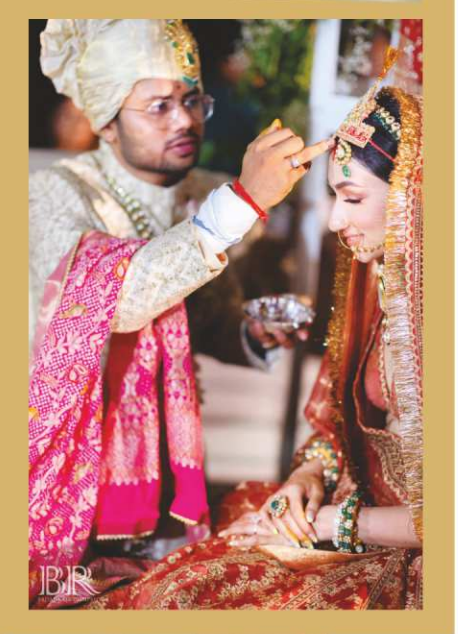
How long does it ideally take to plan an event? There is no stipulated time frame. We've planned International weddings from scratch in 20 days. We've also had 10 months to plan a wedding. In case of time constraints, we get members on board for the event and make it happen.

Pallavi Batra
Wedding Planner



Just the two of us

Born in the same month, Shreya and Shubham were far from being socially familiar. Fast forward to 2022, the couple got married in the charming land of Turkey



Him about her
The meaning of love for me is holding her hand, twirling her around, pulling her close, and having our own little dance. Shreya is everything I have ever dreamt of. She's beautiful, chirpy, and every time I'm around her I have this big smile on my face. In the first few minutes of meeting her, I knew she was the one, and since then, she's been the light of my life.

Her about him
Shubham is my world, the centre of it. My day starts with him and ends with him. It's all around him. I remember before meeting him, I had wanted my man to be this and that. And then he happened and he was just beyond everything I had wished for. From our first meeting to being all set to get married, it was smooth, comforting, and relaxed. And I know what our marriage is going to be like. It's going to be beautiful.

The celebrations
The union of Shreya and Shubham took place in the charming and picturesque backdrop of Antalya. Traditional ceremonies such as Mehendi, Sangeet, Haldi, Jaimala, Wedding, and Reception took place in the presence of their near-and-dear ones. Words will fall short to express what being a part of the celebrations felt like and we are sure the guests will remember this wedding for a lifetime.



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Bridal outfits: Gaurav Gupta, Tarun Tahiliani, Sheetal Batra, Sabyasachi, and Falguni & Shane Peacock
Groom outfits: Manish Malhotra, Tarun Tahiliani, Rohit Bal, Sheetal Batra, Sabyasachi, and Manish Malhotra
Makeup Artists: Meera Sakhrani & Samaira Sandhu
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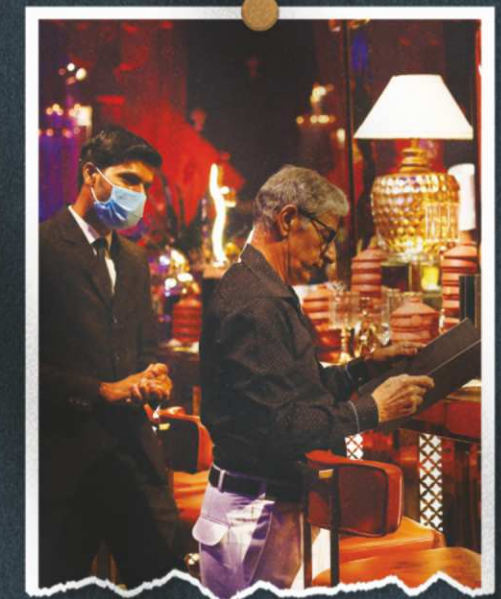
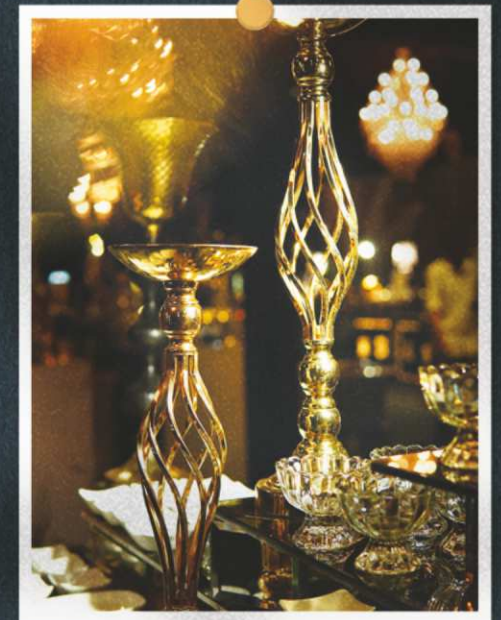
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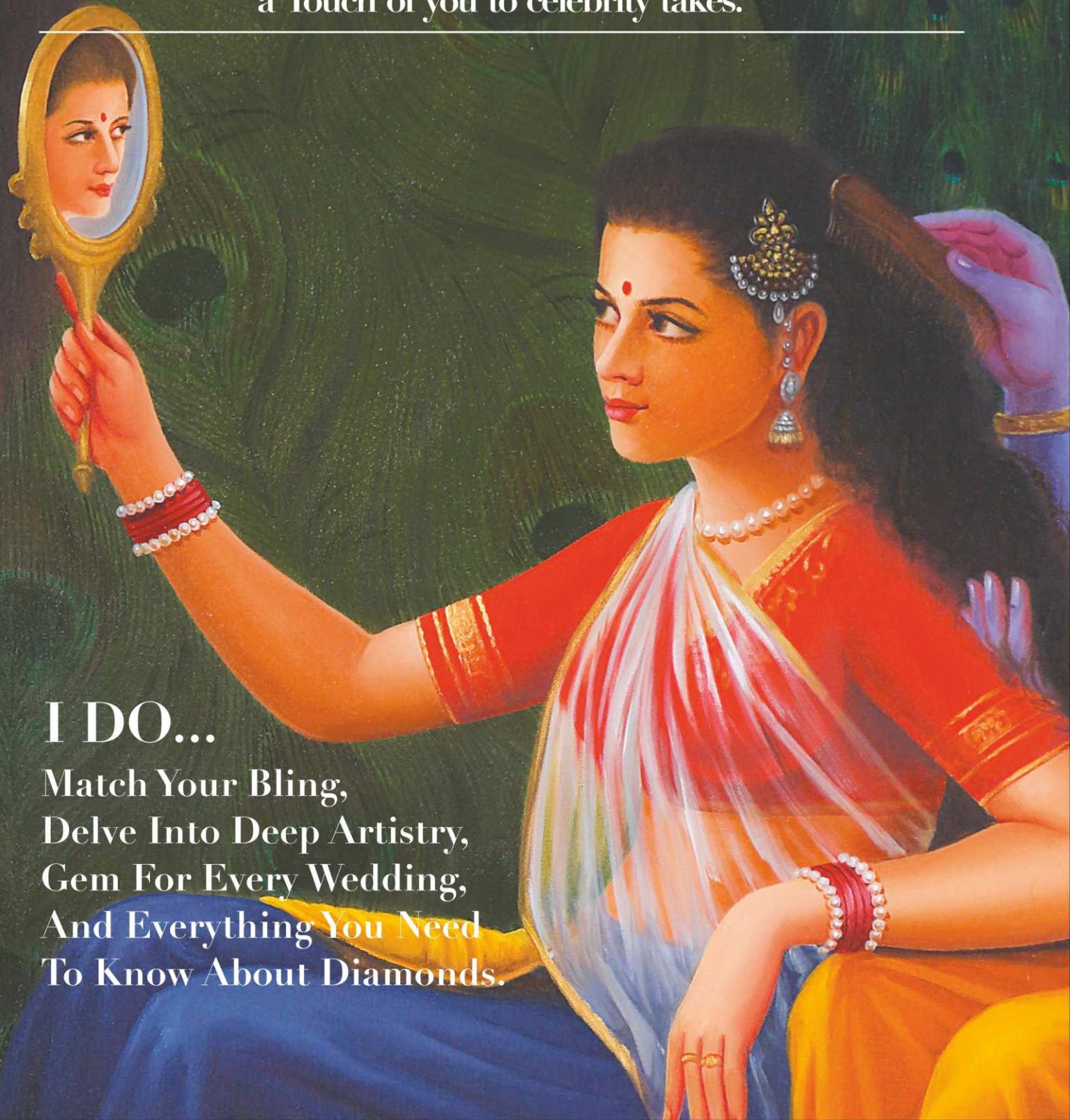
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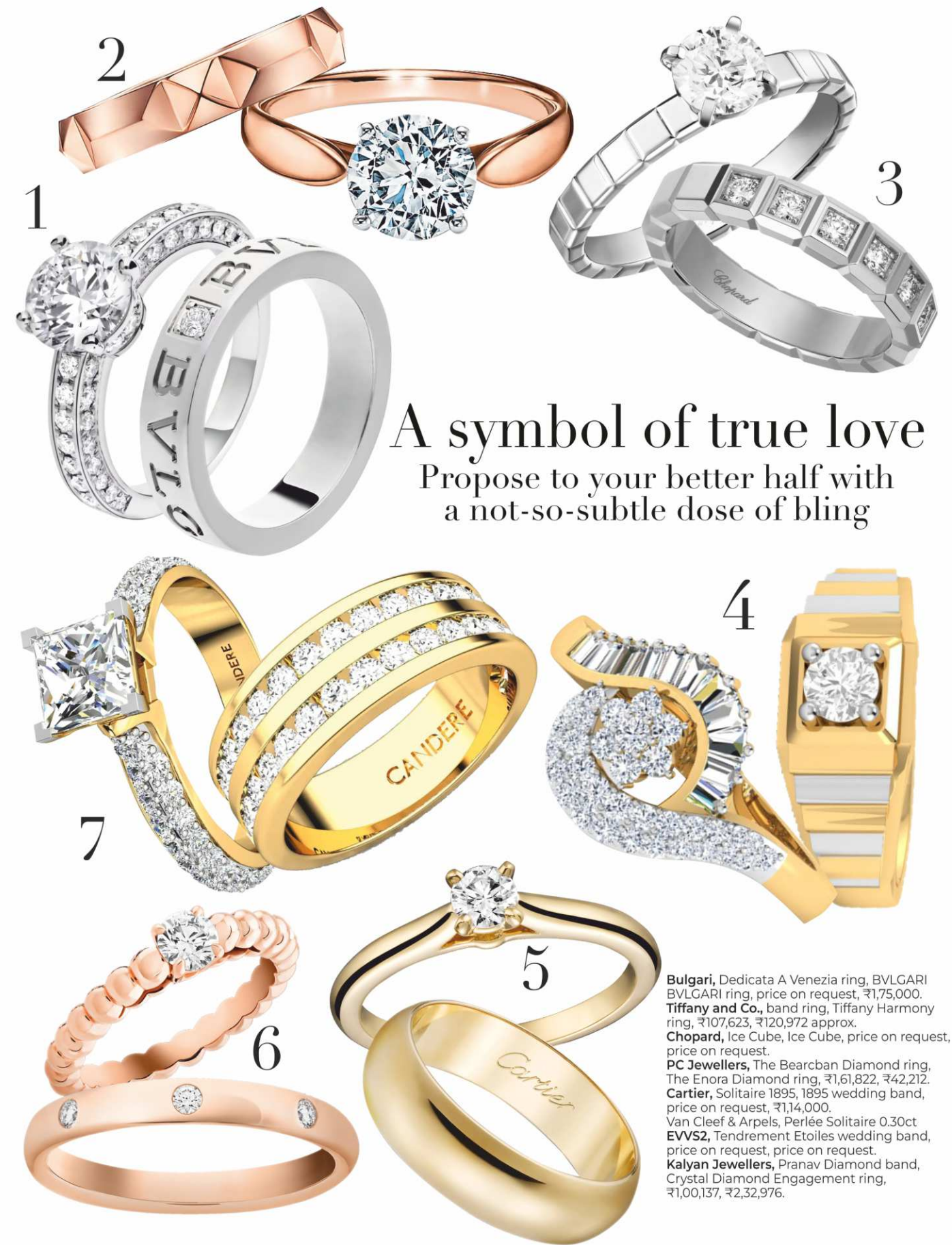
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PC Jewellers, The Bearcban Diamond ring, The Enora Diamond ring, ₹1,61,822, ₹42,212.
Cartier, Solitaire 1895, 1895 wedding band, price on request, ₹1,14,000.
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Kalyan Jewellers, Pranav Diamond band, Crystal Diamond Engagement ring, ₹1,00,137, ₹2,32,976.

Rahul Mishra Gold Zardozi Hand Embroidered Blouse, ₹71,500



Tyaani Rishita Choker and Neetu Tops Jadau Polki Set, ₹730,690



Tyaani Fareen Polki Maangtika, ₹50,000

The Experimental Bride



Being the newest bride in B-town, Alia Bhatt's ivory bridal look encapsulates what a new-generation bride is all about.

Celebrity crush

Get inspired by your dream celebrity wedding to create your own iconic moment

The Delicate Bride



Katrina Kaif's delicate pastel tulle sari pays homage to her British roots. And it's surely one of the sought-after looks to recreate for brides.

Farah Khan La Grandiose Emerald and Aquamarine Necklace, Price on request



Farah Khan La Grandiose Emerald and Aquamarine Earring, Price on request

Varun Bahl Blush pink floral saree set, ₹80,000



The Vibrant Bride



Priyanka Chopra's mehendi ensemble is all about having fun at your pre-wedding festivities. Chopra's outfit is a perfect blend of vibrance and intricate detailing.

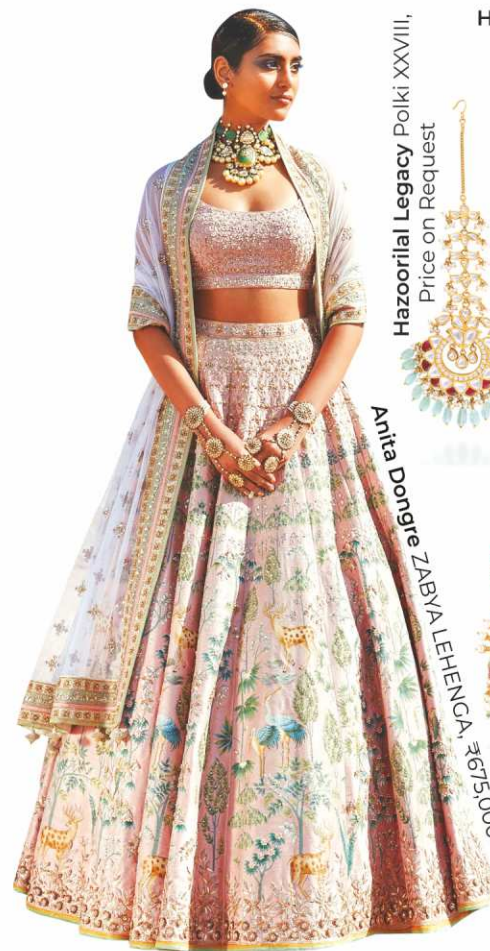
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Anita Dongre ZABYA LEHENGA, ₹675,000



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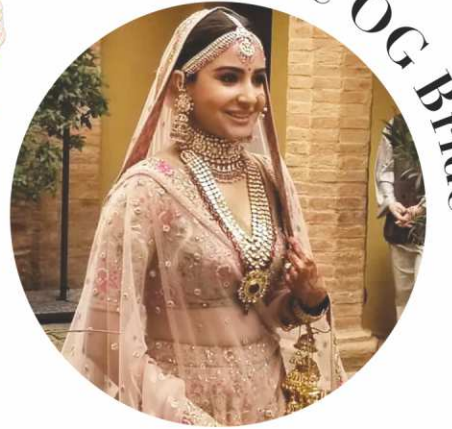
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Tarun Tahiliani Multi-coloured Brocade Lehenga, ₹199,900



The OG Bride



Anushka Sharma's pale renaissance lehenga will be etched in everyone's memory and will remain a favourite for times to come.

Deciphering the perfect diamond

Diamonds have become the forever symbol of love and commitment. The commonly known attributes to ascertain the quality of the diamonds are the “Four C’s”: Cut, Carat, Colour and Clarity. Given the global shift towards a sustainable culture, sourcing and craftsmanship have been added to the buying decisions of diamonds. We are here to guide you through the 6 Cs and how to find the perfect diamond that suits you

Cut

Diamonds in their natural state bear no resemblance to the sparkling stone we are all familiar with. Do not confuse the cut to be the same as shape. The measurements of the angle and how well-proportioned the dimensions of a diamond are, determined by how it interacts with light. Hence, its sparkle and brilliance.

Carat

Diamond carat weight measures how much a diamond physically weighs. 1 carat is divided into 100 points so that 50 points is 0.5 carat. Large diamonds are rarer than smaller ones, as the weight of the carat increases, the value of the diamond increases as well.

Colour

Most diamonds, although appear colourless, actually have slight tones of yellow, brown or grey. Colourless diamonds are rare and therefore more expensive. Colours vary from icy white colourless to light yellow on a scale from D to Z. Diamonds with a rating of D-E-F are the most desired and rare. This is the reason it's important to compare diamonds side to side.

*My style is
not that big.
I wear heels,
tight pants,
and I wear
diamonds
-Donatella
Versace*

Clarity

Almost all diamonds contain naturally occurring internal characteristics called inclusions. Inclusions are the birthmarks that make each gem stone unique. Most of the imperfections that affect a diamond's clarity grade aren't visible to the naked eye. The size, nature, location and the amount of inclusions determine a diamond's Clarity grade. Internally Flawless (IF) is the one with the least or no inclusions. Including Grade 3 (I3) has the most inclusions which are likely to impact the beauty of diamonds being at the two ends of a spectrum.

Certification

The one advice given by the older generation is to safeguard your investments and diamonds are the most important group of gemstones in commercial terms. Certification from diamond grading labs and institutes like the International Gemological Institute (IGI) and the Gemological Institute of America (GIA) are precisely doing the same. Their certification is done to impart confidence in the diamond's quality.

Conscience

In recent years, there has been a shift in the consumer culture to understand how their products are sourced. Chief among their concerns is that workers are being compensated fairly, strict health and safety regulations are being followed and the goods are being produced with the least environmental impact possible. It only seems natural that this shift in the culture, would make its way to diamonds especially if you're shopping for the stone to commemorate an important milestone.

Different types of cuts

Harry Winston, Classic Winston Heart-Shaped Engagement Ring with Tapered Baguette Side Stones, Price on request.



Heart shaped

Harry Winston, The One Cushion-Cut Diamond Micropavé Engagement Ring, Price on request.



Cushion cut

Harry Winston, Classic Winston Emerald-Cut Engagement Ring with Tapered Baguette Side Stones, Price on request.



Emerald cut



REDEFINING ELEGANCE

Jewellery Designer and founder Prakshi Sharma tells us all about her eponymous contemporary label

Born in India with a rich heritage and possessing a fine knowledge of art & creativity, Prakshi Sharma grew up in a family of jewellery, drawing her inspiration from everything artistic around her.

will be revered for years to come. Each piece of jewel passes through stringent quality checks, redefines the casual luxury space for every contemporary woman, and embodies sheer elegance and balance. Using responsibly sourced metals and stones, Prakshi is committed to delivering only the highest quality craftsmanship as well as having a minimal impact on the environment.

Starting Prakshi Fine Jewellery back in 2012, after having spent two years in New York City, Prakshi graduated from the Fashion Institute of Technology. Hailing from an Economics Background, Prakshi realized that she was always inclined toward art, which ultimately drove her towards the direction of designing exquisite jewellery.

The zeal & dedication with which drive Prakshi's designs play a pivotal role in setting it apart from all the mainstream jewellery brands & bringing this scintillating & exquisite jewellery to niche clients.

Trained by the best in the industry, Prakshi has also won prestigious awards like the Best Bridal Jewellery Design Award with her design curated by the Industry leader Carolee and displayed at the eminent high street brand-Bloomingdales!



Prakshi Sharma

Behind every dream is the dreamer and Prakshi Sharma envisioned establishing a jewellery brand that focuses on the rare appeal of jewels and captivates the essence

Prakshi Fine Jewellery portrays the epitome of fine jewels, characterized by a minimalist vocabulary of clean lines & natural forms. The opulent collection showcases modern yet scintillating everyday staples that are understated but strike a statement every time you carry it.

of modern women. Prakshi Fine Jewellery is designed by a woman for a woman to celebrate and strengthen the spirit of womanhood.

Edgy yet sophisticated, Prakshi Fine Jewellery is bound to create a space for your future heirlooms that

Prakshi Fine Jewellery caters to select boutiques in India and the Gulf. Her Jewellery pieces have made a significant place in the pages of Elle and Hello, which have been adorned by Bollywood and Arab Celebrities such as Kareena Kapoor and Hend Sabri.

THE BLING BUSINESS — a decadent staple for every wedding
Built with love, read more on MB Jewellers

Picking your custom pieces is not a cakewalk. Scouting and selecting your jewellery pieces are more than just visiting jewellery stores. And it can be tedious to hit the bull's eye to get the exact pieces you have always dreamt of.

Yet, all this worry takes a back seat as you enter the ritzy golden and off-white entrance of MB Jewellers and Sons in the posh area of Karol Bagh. Talking about the family business established by Brij Mehra, we get an exclusive interview with the current face and force- Nidhi Mehra.

Motivation to join the legacy

My only motivation to help my husband was to create the jewellery of my choice and taste because I'm very picky about the jewellery I wear. I wanted to create something which was class apart that the youngsters could connect to.

Journey at MB Jewellers and Sons

The journey so far has been beautiful, motivational, as well as emotional. When I decided to help my husband, I wanted to make diamonds my first priority. And to do so, I did a few courses at the International Gemological Institute (IGI). This profession allows you to meet new people from diverse cultures and tastes. A lot of love, affection, and time goes into designing. When your curated pieces get sold, you feel this motivation as your work is being loved, while at the same time you have to bid adieu to your precious pieces.

Research and design process

In this industry, it is a must to be updated with the latest trends and designs. I take into account all the couture designers and what they are using in their wardrobes.

Minimalism or heavy style of jewellery

Talking about brides, I would not go for minimalism. Because the D-day is the only day the bride has to stand out. Even if you see the photographs, jewellery is what stands out. You can be minimalistic anywhere but not on that day.



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WEAVING LOVE

Indulge in the beauty of dreamy ensembles from
the best designers in the business, drape to
perfection and a preview into styling like a star

A Star is Born

Instagram Influencer and every bride's go-to profile, Niki Mehra gives us an insight into her journey, marrying her best friend, and what future she's looking to embark on

Photographs by Cinelove Productions
Creative direction and styling
by Shaurya Athley

Gold sequin work saree,
Sawan Gandhi;
All jewellery,
Kotawala Fine Jewels.



Fringe dress and jacket,
Rohit Gandhi+Rahul Khanna;
Silver earrings,
Ritika Sachdeva.

Ruby red embroidered lehenga set,
Varun Bahl;
All jewellery,
Mahipal Kothari Luxury Crafted Jewels.



Delhi-based fashion entrepreneur and digital creator Niki Mehra is a passionate advocate for fashion, beauty, and has a 'crazy' approach to life. "You have to have at least one person come and tell you that you are crazy, you cannot achieve this or it is impossible. Because if you dream small you'll achieve small".

When she dived into the world of fashion blogging, Mehra didn't care much about society's opinion. Just one month into it, she won the Swarovski 'Style your way to Paris' contest and was chosen as their global ambassador. Calling it the universe's signal, that was all she needed to solidify fashion over economics, and the rest is history.

Being almost a decade into the industry, Mehra shared "I instantly felt like a girl who has no connections, who knows nobody from the industry and nobody knows her, if one month into blogging, I could achieve something like this, then if I stick around, I think I was capable of much more".

Having recently gotten hitched to her long-time boyfriend Siddharth Madan, Mehra with heart eyes swooningly shares that marrying your best friend and

waking up to them is what makes this experience amazing. "I think I realised he was the one when within a week of dating, he told me he wanted to marry me. I'd never met someone like that before who was not afraid of commitment, who was not afraid of emotions. I knew these were the qualities I always wanted in my partner and I saw them in him. At that moment I knew that he was more than just boyfriend material".

Talking about the eventual series #BridesideofNM, Mehra shared "#BridesideofNM is my baby", being a bride-to-be, she realised that she did not know designers, budget-friendly or high-end, who would have trousseau essentials suited to her taste. Mehra categorically expresses that there is no ideal number of trousseau pieces a bride should have. It downright depends on a person's lifestyle and requirements. However, she does suggest a fine balance between western and Indian elements, and at least two sarees while creating your trousseau.

"I live and breathe fashion", being a fashionista since a young age, Mehra's vision for life is big. She wishes to launch her fashion label in the coming years, "It's not yet in the pipeline but that has been the end goal".

Pearl embroidered skirt set,
Ridhima Bhasin;
All jewellery,
Tribe Amrapali.



Jacquard pearl pleated gown and veil,
Nitya Bajaj;
All jewellery,
Mahipal Kothari Luxury Crafted Jewels.



Assisted by Aprajita Puri
Makeup by Anurag Arya
Hair by Gaurav Chawla

Kings of Bling



Rahul Khanna & Rohit Gandhi

Designer duo Rohit Gandhi and Rahul Khanna made their couture debut at the FDCI India Couture Week 2022 with their latest collection titled Fibonacci. We sat down with them to understand what goes behind designing their collection



What's the process for designing your bride and groom collection?

We work on our collections keeping our clientele in mind and understanding their expectations from us, be it the silhouettes, the material or the intricacy of each garment. We keep true to our brand DNA and language which is high on glimmer and amalgamate market requirements to suit today's demand. *A particular pattern or print that is going to redefine the bridal looks?* Draped sarees for their comfort and of course sexiness of saree, fringes for refinement and clever accents- intricately embellished garments adorned with fantastical dreamscapes of pearls, crystals and sequins. *A particular colour palette that is going to get big in the coming year?* Couture is all about regale, metals, and champagne. Everything high shine and shimmers. The colour palette that covers the spectrum of everything from midnight blue, teal to champagne, silver and certainly black. *What are the kind of elements that Gen Z looks at while selecting their outfit? How do you incorporate them?* As much as they want to look like a royalty, comfort for sure is their priority too. Also, we work on newer patterns with our older techniques, understand our clients, their requirements and amalgamate their preferences into our brand aesthetics. *How can we be more conscious and adapt sustainability while talking about haute couture?* We believe in making pieces that are timeless and very wearable. Classics all the way! We are committed to making pieces that are anti-trend hence designing pieces that can be worn time and again are relevant and transcends time which makes haute couture sustainable.

Couture is all about regale, metals, and champagne.





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Couturier JJ Valaya on sustainability and couture

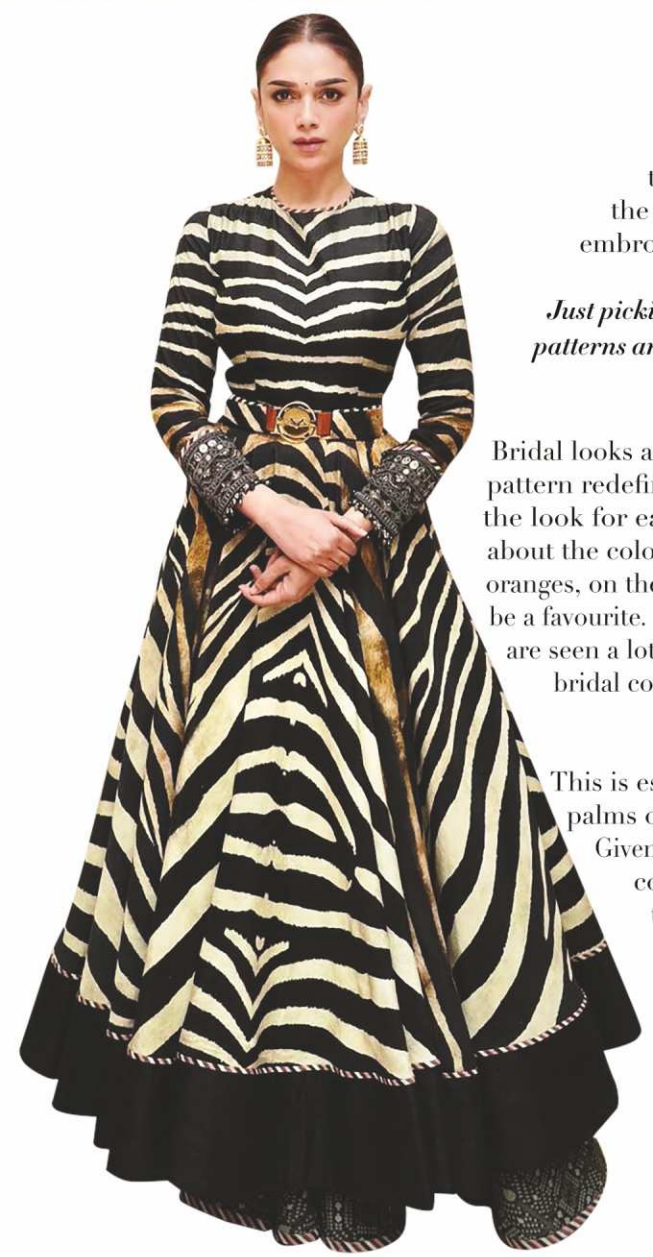
For over 30 years, JJ Valaya has been an ace couturier with an exquisite range in bridal wear emphasising embroideries and patterns

Getting his inspiration from expansive travel and putting in the hard work with research before every collection, the prototype is developed inculcating the swatches, print, embroideries, etc. eventually leading it into the main collection.

Just picking on your brains about the next big bridal forecasts. In terms of patterns and prints, colour palettes, and incorporating Gen Z elements, could you give us your sense on these predictions?

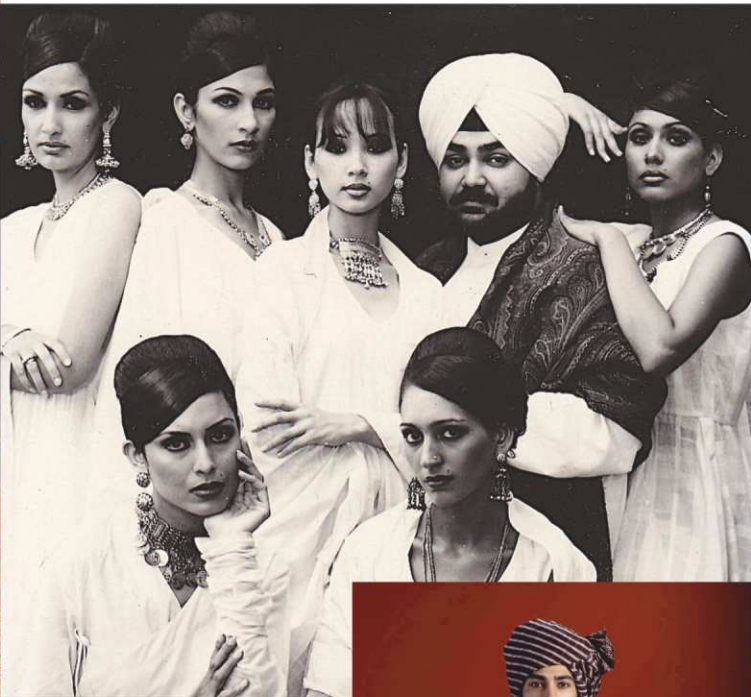
Bridal looks are evolutionary in nature, not revolutionary. No particular print or pattern redefines the bridal looks, however, I strongly believe in individualising the look for each bride and making them feel at ease on their big day. Talking about the colour palettes, us Indians love our bright shades of reds, fuchsias and oranges, on the other hand, softer tones like baby pinks and gentle gold are seen to be a favourite. Following the trend, there are Metallic hues like gold and silver which are seen a lot. In my opinion, there is an extensive array of colours being used in bridal couture, what is to be noted is how on the big day, tradition meets modernity making them timeless pieces.

This is especially suitable for Gen Z, who have the whole world in the palms of their hand thanks to the new-sophisticated technologies. Given the exposure to the global trends, there is a shift from being a coy bride to being a playful and confident bride. Pieces that are maximalist and distinct yet signature Valaya, are made keeping the future generations in mind.



COUTURE is the epitome of slow fashion!

Couture by nature is one of the more sustainable statements in the world and I say that because it is top quality and timeless. It is made with a lot of precision and is bought with a lot of love and emotion. It is cherished by people with great care and is a heirloom piece for generations to come. Anything that stands the test of time and lasts over decades is one of the finest examples of sustainability.





The Drape-preneur, Dolly Jain

Her passion for draping has made her a new rage amidst brides-to-be and a must for every A-lister



Clockwise from left: Dolly Jain, Natasha Poonawalla at Met Gala 2022, Priyanka and Nick's first appearance as newly wed, and Dolly Jain with legendary Sridevi.

Don't be foolish, you'll never make it large! Dolly Jain has heard enough of such statements and taunts that would deter anyone's will to follow their passion. But not her.

She dared to turn her passion for draping into a full-time profession. Jain found her first seed of encouragement in the late Bollywood legend Sridevi, along with resistance and demoralising behaviour from known ones. "Dolly ka dimag kharab ho gaya hai. God knows what kind of a career she has got into...She's doing draping, she's going to houses tying sarees" the draping expert recalled.

Working with Abu Jani and Sandeep Khosla introduced her to Indian tycoons and families such as the Ambanis, Mittals, Parimals, and Jindals. When Nita Ambani talks about your skill and fondly shares "You have magic in your fingers", you know you are a force to reckon with. Meanwhile, it was her collaboration with

Sabyasachi which made her a known name in the film industry. name in the film industry.

Within the first half of 2022, she has draped the likes of Alia Bhatt, Deepika Padukone, Natasha Poonawalla, and Nayantara.

I am...Dolly Jain, a drape expert with over 20+ years of experience.

What I do...is create unique contemporary silhouettes. My aim is to enable mobility through effective draping.

When Met called...I literally couldn't believe my ears, I had to sit down and breathe and I wanted to sink into the words. Finally, when it was the day when I was travelling to New York, I met Natasha (Poonawalla) for the first time and I saw the sari, and I had to do all this. I didn't even know one bit that this was the whole look. On the spot, like the day before, I came to know the whole thing. And I did it and I am so glad the whole world has appreciated the kind of work I have done for Natasha.

The most unpredictable drape I did...was definitely of Natasha for the Met because I had no clue about it. It was definitely one of my finest works and a work where you show your creativity.

The World Record I hold...Limca Book of World Records for 325 ways to drape. The inspiration behind my world record has definitely been, you know, to give the world a magic number that anybody doesn't even dare to break. So I first did 80 different styles of sari, then 100, 125, 225, and then 325.

What my tattoo signifies... 'I am six yards ahead of my time' says everything about me. It says I am here, but my sari is six yards away and I am six yards ahead because I have that sari in my hand. The moment I read this line I felt so connected. I was looking to get myself inked and I didn't know what to do. But this line is all about me, this is all about my passion.

My upcoming coffee table book...is about 365+1 styles of draping a sari. The +1 is for the leap year. So, you open your wardrobe, just open my book, you just have to take out your sari, crop top, and lower. And you get a new piece of sari style every single day. I wanted to give the world a framework before I retire.

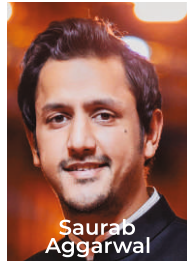
My fondest memory of a bride...there is a extremely sweet memory I will cherish till my last breath. It so happened that the father of a bride called from a small village. The girl was very fond of me. And he wanted me to drape his daughter's sari and I said yes I would. However, sometimes the commercial don't work. So, when I gave them my commercials it was out of their budget. But the father shared something that got me hooked. He said that the only thing his daughter after her engagement asked was that she wanted to book me for her wedding. I came to know that the girl didn't have a mother and the only thing the girl wanted was Dolly. I actually didn't charge them anything. I told the father of the bride not to tell her that I am coming down for her wedding. She was getting ready for her wedding and I just told her "Hi, how are you?", and she just flipped. She recognized my voice so well that she said "Dolly Ma'am?". And I cannot tell you the kind of feelings, the kind of emotion which ran down between us. I am still connected to her. I feel all my brides have been so special to me, but there are few who are super special and so, she is one.

SAURAB RAJESHWARI
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A Royal Heirloom



Started by two childhood friends who shared the same vision-to keep Patiala's handcrafted heritage alive.

Saurab Aggarwal and Rajeshwari Kumari revive the old tradition and royalty of Patiala through their bespoke couture

Designer Saurabh Aggarwal and highly-acclaimed trap shooter Rajeshwari Kumari conjointly presented the look of the Regal Patiala Bride. They launched their couture label, Saurab-Rajeshwari, curating a legacy-driven brand based out of the city with global imprints.

Aggarwal was born and brought up in the royal city of Patiala and began his bridal couture journey in 2012, while Kumari was highly inspired by the royalty and legacy of her town and her family and wanted to keep it alive.

The regal legacy of Patiala, the history of its craft patronage, and the elegance of the Punjabi Bride draped in a phulkari odhna, are the gist of the Saurab-Rajeshwari Label.

Having an ethereal collection of bridal couture, crafted heirloom pieces in luscious hues of pastels, adorned with the phulkari dupatta, the label now focuses on a resplendent Bagh Collection. This collection incorporates the most exemplary Phulkari Collection with threadwork that uses linear stitches to create intricate flower-like patterns.



Drawing their inspiration from the women of Punjab, this couture combined the Bagh and Phulkari Collection to deliver the most impeccable, unique and traditional bridal ensemble to their clients.

Saurab-Rajeshwari Couture has carved out a niche in the market and created a separate entity for itself by creating outfits that are associated with the culture and heritage of Patiala. Their designs boast royalty, grandiosity, and opulence like no other and takes us back to the days of Maharajas.

Every handcrafted piece has a regal history of Patiala attached to it, after a thorough research done from olden books, artifacts, and heirlooms. Our designs have an intent to revive the old traditions and bring them to life. The threads of Phulkari are inextricably knotted to the legacy of Punjab. These designs and motifs are carried forward from generation to generation, with each family having its unique characteristic style.

The label represents a perfect fusion of traditional values amalgamated with unique contemporary designs and aesthetics infused within each ensemble. A splendid display of evocative shades and colour palates delivers a breathtaking vibrance that is encapsulated through its timeless beauty.

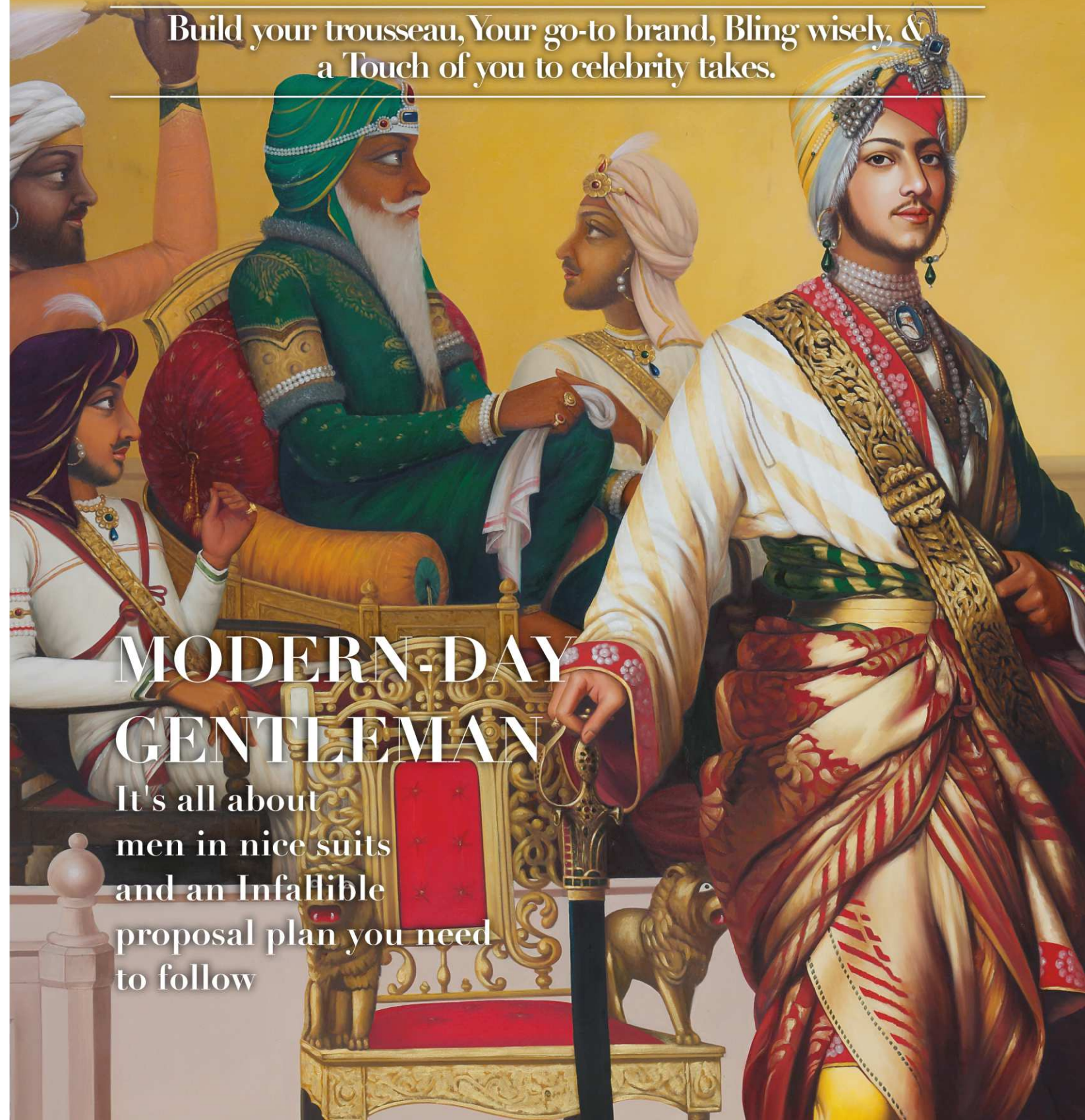
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MODERN-DAY GENTLEMAN

It's all about men in nice suits and an Infallible proposal plan you need to follow



This season, set your eyes on the Bandish Bandit actor donning the dapper suits and find the perfect one for your cocktail evening

Photographs by Sasha Jairam
Creative directions and
Styling by Shaurya Athley

Conqueror of dreams

Shirt and Suit,
Rohit Gandhi + Rahul Khanna;
Shoes,
Ezok.

Blazer and Waistcoat,
Jayesh Shah;
Shirt and Pant,
Rachit Khanna.





All clothing,
Chatenya Mittal.



Credits clockwise: Shirt and Suit,
Rohit Gandhi + Rahul Khanna;
Shoes, Ezok.

All clothing,
Siddhartha Tyler.





All clothing,
Siddhartha Tyler.

Shirt and Suit,
Rohit Gandhi + Rahul Khanna;
Shoes,
Ezok.



Shirt and Trench Coat,
Varun Bahl.



Shirt and Suit,
Rohit Gandhi + Rahul Khanna;
Shoes,
Ezok.

Assistant stylist:
Aprajita Puri and Sejal Satish Nandanwar

1.

Talk to the parents- As rightfully said, marriage is not about two individuals coming together, but is a union of two families. Make sure to keep your partner's parents in the loop and seek their blessings before popping the question.



2.

Get the BFFs involved- Leaving out besties is a strict no-no. Getting them involved will help you to curate a personalised proposal with details not known to you but certainly to them.

3.

Buy the ring- The biggest concern while proposing is finding the right ring. Sneak away, her favourite one from her jewellery. Make sure it is the one she wears on her ring finger. Chances are that, an experienced lapidary will know her taste and present the best-suited for her.

4.

Prepare a decoy- When you are planning to bring your s/o to a special plan, prepare a decoy. This prevents you from fumbling at the time of execution. And perhaps someone or something hinders the plan. Make sure, you have a backup plan ready in case things go haywire.

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Wilful Wonderchild

What is it like being in the business but on your terms? Actor Akansha Ranjan Kapoor wears her heart on her sleeve and is a strong advocate for embracing one's true self

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Wearing her heart on her sleeve and out in the public sphere, actress Akansha Ranjan Kapoor is certain about most of her life. "Some days I act in movies and stuff, but for the most part I dye my hair crazy colours and train daily so I can run away with the circus someday", the Instagram bio does not tell us about her life mantra rather, lets us into who she truly is. "I didn't know at a certain time that I wanted to be an actor, I was always acting." Kapoor, by the virtue of her lineage, was not bitten by the bug of theatrics and stagecraft, rather she was simply born with it. She was a part of every play, interschool dramatics, and college festival. You name it, she's already signed up for it. Soon, she stopped emulating only at her educational level, and rather, began preparing for the biggest role of her life- being a Bollywood actress. Her project "Monica, O My Darling" under Netflix's banner with a stellar cast is all set to hit the OTT sphere soon. "It is going to be a crazy-fun ride" Kapoor brimmed with joy.

Being Akansha

Certain. The terminology is very befitting when describing the starlet. A misconception that many may have after a quick sneak into her exotic-aesthetic feed would be of a snooty-snobbish girl with privileges. "Once people finally meet me, they say you are actually really sweet." However, with authenticity comes disapproval. So what keeps her sane in the digital world? "I literally don't care. I'm not trying to be cool. I just don't care. I do me and I let people do them." An aficionado of sleep, routine, and home, Kapoor may have her selfie-face on point, but on days when she's low, her girl gang is all she needs. One can admire a few people for their traits, but the actress has hundreds she can count when it comes to expressing her admiration. "There are different people I look up to for different journeys. Radhika Madan is one of them." With two of her closest in the tribe getting recently hitched, what's on the dos and don'ts list for Kapoor? "Both of their taste is very different from mine. There was just love and laughter at their wedding which was great", while she's yet to find her charming-humorous life companion, she has her set of wedding essentials sorted. Intimate, international, comfy attires and happy vibes are what will be etched on her wedding invites for sure.

Only Plan A

It should come as no revelation that despite being from a cinematic-television family, Kapoor was aggressively questioned and encouraged to opt out of chasing her starry dream. She would occasionally get upset and immensely frustrated when people close to her would suggest she must have a plan B to fall back on, knowing the cutthroat nature of the industry. But Kapoor knew one thing without any hesitancy; there was no room for anything else but acting. "In retrospect, I think having no plan B is the best way to make a plan A happen".

On manifesting Tanu

Kapoor's breakthrough came when she was signed as Tanu Kumar in Netflix's 2020 Guilty. Growing up, she knew a meaty role and a hard-hitting debut were what she wanted. Gangs of Wasseypur was the epitome of work she wanted to do and Kumar's character was exactly what she wished for. "I just wanted people to take me seriously".



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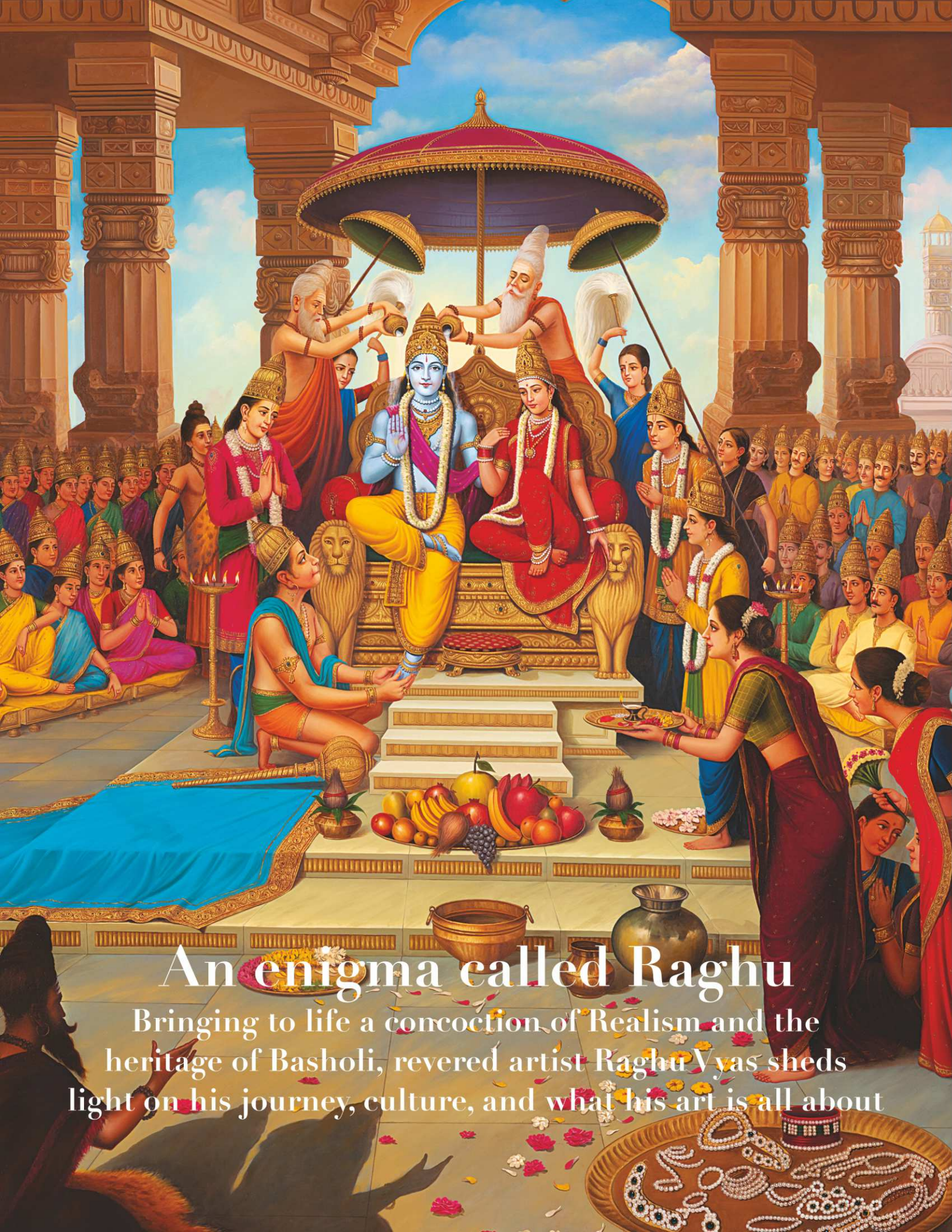
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An enigma called Raghu

Bringing to life a concoction of Realism and the heritage of Basholi, revered artist Raghu Vyas sheds light on his journey, culture, and what his art is all about



Evocative. The word single-handedly defines what celebrated painter Raghu Vyas wants his audience to feel, wants you to feel.

He has captivated aesthetes with his artworks for over four decades. And has dabbled in abstract, landscapes, and numerous forms, before settling his heart on the Realism technique of the Italian Renaissance.

Vyas proudly brings to the table the true essence of *Basholi* through his paintings. The miniature style of artwork, though being a part of the Mughal culture, finds its origins in Iran. The art technique travelled to India during the Mughal period and inspired many under the rule of Aurungzeb. Soon the artists were exiled by the Alamgir and found shelter under the Pahadi Maharaj's. This gave birth to the flourishing period of *Basholi* paintings for 200 years.

While Vyas may not have received any formal training in painting, his biggest inspirations are what keep him going. Raja Ravi Varma and Rembrandt have played a major role in influencing the

style of this recipient of the Raja Ravi Varma Awards. Calling the legendary Dutch artist his treasured painter, he has also produced a self-portrait in the Rembrandt style.

What drew him to the world of photorealism over contemporary or modern styles was strength. "Realism has a very strong strength where it conveys a message to the society, and the people understand well", the realism technique metamorphosed for 400 years under the likes of Raphael, Rubens, and Botticelli.

He has been acknowledged and applauded for his curations on a wide range of subject matters, be it the Krishna series, Buddha series, Sikh history, or gods and goddesses. While he has kept his domain specialisation limited to Indian history and culture, what broke the wall and made him recreate *The Three Graces* was the Hollywood actress Nicole Kidman. It represents beauty, creativity, and fertility. While there have been several reiterations of the historical oil painting in Europe, Vyas is the only artist in India to have made "*The Three Graces*".

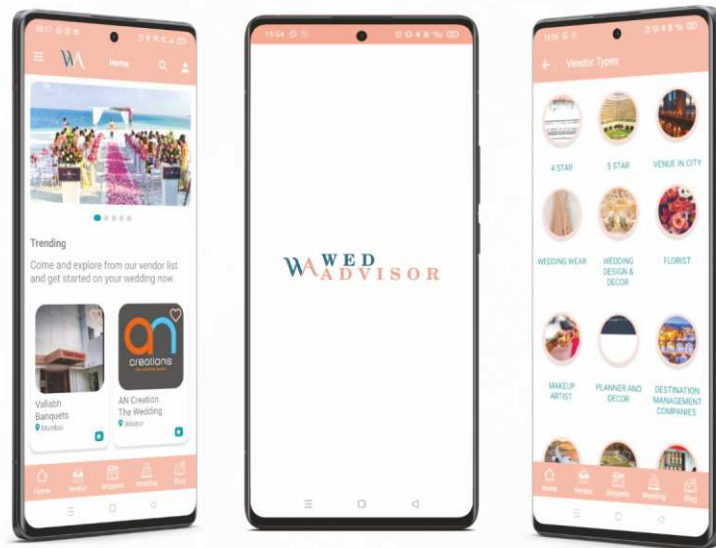
On being asked about his most-cherished artworks, he picks not one but two- the Ram Rajyabhishek and Shiva. It took him six months to recreate the former 7x7 piece of Raja Ravi Varma, but made use of bright colours and tweaked the overall architecture. While Shiva's visual beauty lies in its compelling narration of the whole universe.

His under-progress series is an amalgamation of diverse concepts and abundant imagination. Vyas wishes to exhibit the fine works he has in mind to his audience in upcoming years.





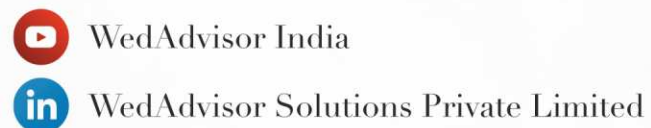
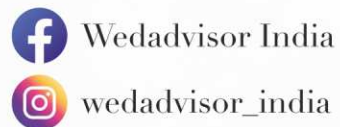
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Blessed with a creative mind, Sumana Dua shares her motivation, artistic style, and what keeps her going

One breezy summer a decade ago, when Sumana Dua painted her first canvas for Mother's day, her mother figured out what Dua's true calling was. "When you study something you kind of expect to just keep working in that field", an economics graduate from the University College London, the up-and-coming artist transitioned from a prospective career in consulting and strategic management to becoming a full-time artist.

She is certainly thankful to not sit behind a desk and work for someone else. It was her time in London when she got the opportunity to explore the artistic world and realised that this field gave her joy which numbers didn't. Eventually, she ended up becoming her University's Art Society president. From routine life in economics, finance, data, and numbers, Dua made a 180° shift to a world of imagination, creativity, and freedom. Early in her career, she had already been a part of reputed exhibitions and was featured in the 88th All India Art Exhibition.

While she's created fascinating pieces and shall continue to create more, the little canvas she made a decade ago certainly will have her heart. "My mom still

has it on her bedside, I think that is also like my inspiration. When I'm stuck on some days or have a creative block, I just look at that and try to be inspired". The young artist has marvelled at diverse forms and works of artistic expression, an influential one being the *Autoportrait* of the Cubist artist Robert Delauney. The Cubic concept works on breaking down subjects and restructuring them into abstract work, which tends to have different interpretations for different people. "Sometimes I leave my artworks as *Untitled*. Because I don't want viewers to have a bias opinion or have a viewpoint similar to mine. I want them to have their viewpoint".

While her artistic expressions are all personal projects, she's also active in home decor and customised artworks. For custom artworks, Dua shares that space and the vibe plays a big role. From the interiors, tone of the house, people, and their personal taste, she takes everything into consideration before she picks up her paintbrush to create an experience for her clients.



Sumana Dua



Table for Two

Read more on your next favourite bistro for weekly date nights

In the cool shade of summer evenings, walk down the lanes of Khan Market, and you'd chance upon a vibrant yet rustic building painted in yellow. Glancing upwards, you'll find a glowing sign reading the restaurant's name. Climbing the narrow staircase to the entrance, you'll be greeted by an undersized door which gives way to the aromatic world of Town Hall.

been magical. God imparts flavours to things. However, it is up to us as a chef to enhance it. And when two or more ingredients come together, that is when the magic begins," he adds. While he has fantastic knowledge about global cuisines, his heart lies in creating concoctions of Sushi for his Indian audience. It is his passion for creating food that draws his elite clientele to Town Hall, which includes the likes of Harbhajan Singh, Jaya Bachchan, Katrina Kaif, Nikhil Advani, Shilpa Shetty, Sidharth Malhotra, Sushmita Sen, and Virat Kohli.

Entering the opulent and elaborate space, you'll immediately be teleported to the 1950s. The colonial-themed restaurant caters to 90 covers indoors and 150 for rooftop reservations and sees a phenomenon of overbooking on routine weekends. If one were to make their way into this Japanese restaurant, chances are you'd have to scout for a table to settle in.

If you wish to pop the question to your foodie partner or have a brunch with your besties, then Town Hall should be the top consideration for a wholesome dining experience.



“My relationship with food has been magical”

Chef Augusto Cabrera



The Restaurant

Town Hall was conceptualised and established in 2014 by Navneet Kalra, Randeep Bajaj, Navneet Randhawa, and Masterchef Augusto Cabrera. Kalra is also the mind behind another popular restaurant, Public Affair, a Peruvian outlet in Khan Market. Home to authentic Japanese dishes with a modern twist, Town Hall boasts of its reputation when it comes to specialisation in Global Cuisine. Having won Best Global Cuisine in the category of Casual Dining, the outlet has beaten its competition in 2018, 2019, and 2021.

The Masterchef

Cabrera, who hails from San Fernando, Pampanga, has worked in different parts of the Middle East, such as Dubai, Bahrain, and Oman with some of the biggest luxury resorts. “My relationship with food has

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For first-timers- His recommendations include Signature rolls, Sashimi in the main course, Negroni and Manhattan to sip with it.

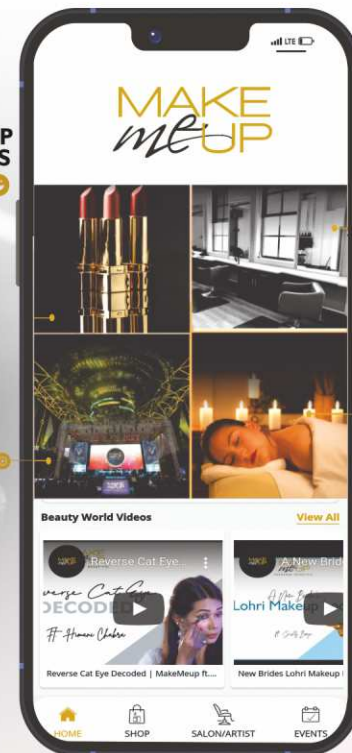
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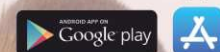
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Makeup Moguls

Five beauty leaders. Past, present, and future of the bridal sphere. One constructive conclusion

Anurag Arya



Not everyone is into the red. Similarly, not everyone needs to follow trends circulating on social media as everyone's skin is unique, so products' work and look will vary. With people getting inspired by diverse pop culture, the current scenario of getting makeup done is very different compared to previous times. Earlier, people had this notion that bridal makeup needs to be heavy and act as a mask. But times have changed; people are opting for a lighter base, asking for skin work, and are more inclined towards a neutral or pastel palette. One piece of advice for getting makeup done would be that you can go the matte way or a washed-off colour on the eye. The key is to curate your look and look like your natural selves but enhanced.

The no-makeup makeup trend has recently enjoyed a meteoric rise in the beauty industry. I think people have finally moved on from the typical Indian Bridal look, which is quintessentially for fair skin, heavy lashes & dark eyeshadow with kohl'd eyes. I'm a staunch advocate of 'less is more' when it comes to makeup being slathered on your skin. The key is to look like your true selves, just more beautifully put together for the wedding. Glitter on the eye, Big Fluttery Plastic-like Fake Eyelashes, and unreal-looking coloured contact lenses are questionable trends now. Very soon, we'd all be done with over-processed face-tuned images of real people setting unreal standards. The makeup industry is pivoting towards embracing a broader idea of beauty. Honestly, if there's one piece of advice I'd give to every bride, it would be to just LET GO. Let go of the idea that you can control everything. It's a big day, but it's just one day. You'd rather make good memories to cherish than only remember your struggles around the decor, makeup, and all.



Charmi Thakral

Mahi Sardana



I think today's brides are all about that soft minimal look. They want to be at their most natural self. For their big day, they don't want to experiment and go crazy-glam. They are okay to do that for pre-wedding events, but for the wedding day, it's all about a soft natural look. The outfit and jewellery are already a big factor in decision making. And I think as, and when more time passes by, the focus on achieving a softer look is so that we can highlight their outfit and jewellery. The trend of having full coverage, cakey makeup and all that is pretty much passe now. The glittery gold eyes are pretty much done with. I'm also not a fan of heavy chunky glitter, especially when it's paired with a red lip. To all the brides, just sit back, relax, and have the best time on your wedding day.

People have now started working towards understanding and implementing skincare. Because if your skin looks nice, the makeup will look fantastic. People have started understanding that less is more, and that is the game changer. If your skin underneath is good and healthy, I'll only do as much as required. The no-makeup-makeup look has been a bridal trend and will continue to be one for a long time as not everyone wishes to play with colours. Another trend which should be done away with is Boxy Brows. People go ahead and make a little box and fill it. That's their eyebrow. And that is not how it should be. A trend which I loathe is when your highlight is popping out on your cheeks, making your entire face look dull and matte. Your whole face needs to have a glow, and everything should be in harmony. You shouldn't feel like ten products; it needs to feel like just one. One piece of advice that I would give brides-to-be on their wedding day is to not feel stressed out. So, just relax and be happy. Happy brides are the prettiest, it might be cliché, but it's true. Feel like how you should feel, like a queen.

Saba Arora



Chinar Khatri



Today's brides are now transitioning from no-makeup makeup look to a me-but better look. To achieve something like that, I give my brides a nice-brown smokey eye and a pinch of shimmer if they wish for it. Less of Kajal and under-eye smudging and more inclination towards a Pink lip over nude or brown is what has been trending. Now I cannot predict what will be the next gamechanger in the industry but what's here to stay is minimalism. One trend which I am baffled by is the glass skin. People need to understand there is a fine line between looking glass-skinned and an oil painting. The Kim Kardashian trend of having a neutral lip is something I want to be done with. I lowkey want the colours to be back on the lips now. One piece of advice I would like to give brides is to not just look for photographs for inspiration, but rather look towards reels and videos as well since those cannot be edited, unlike pictures.

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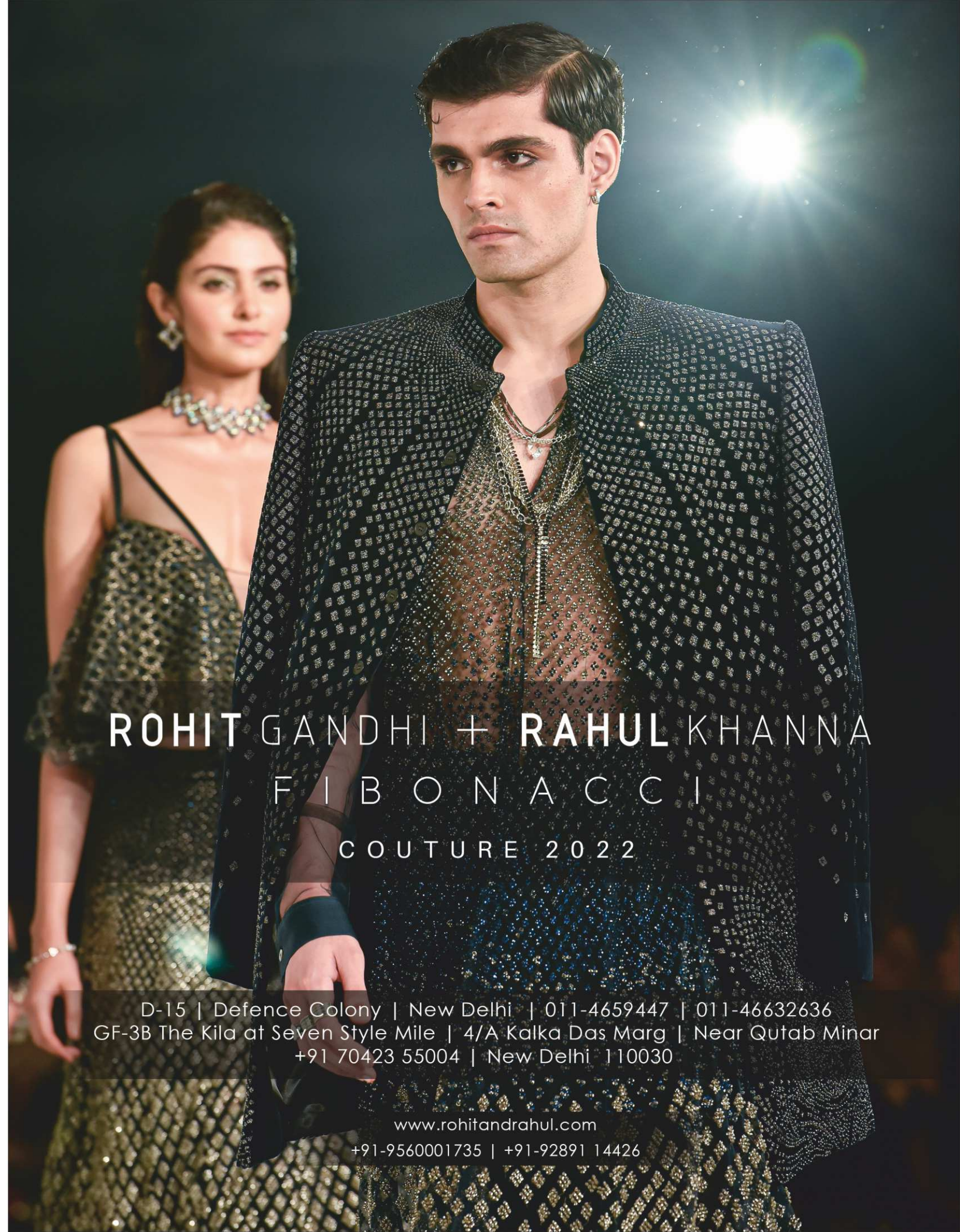
The fact that it is made by a makeup artist with more than 2 decades of experience. Each product is backed by elaborate research and being mindful of the ingredients that go into them. Also, keeping in mind the climate, the skin tones and undertones while making all the products is the key.

With your years of experience in the beauty industry, give us some beauty tips every bride-to-be- must follow.

Weddings can be a very stressful time. Have a beauty regimen. Consult a dermatologist at least 6 to 8 months in advance because that is how long it takes to see any results, with three months being the minimum amount of time. Follow a nutritious diet, drink lots and lots of water, and take as many massages as you can to relax your body. Detox your mind, body and stay happy.

And what about how to take care of their skin post the wedding?

With so many makeup applications back-to-back and so many things being done to your hair and skin, go for facials and steams. It will help get rid of all the residue or anything that may have gone into your pores. It's also very relaxing at the same time. And make sure whatever you do, you do not skip removing your makeup before sleeping at night.



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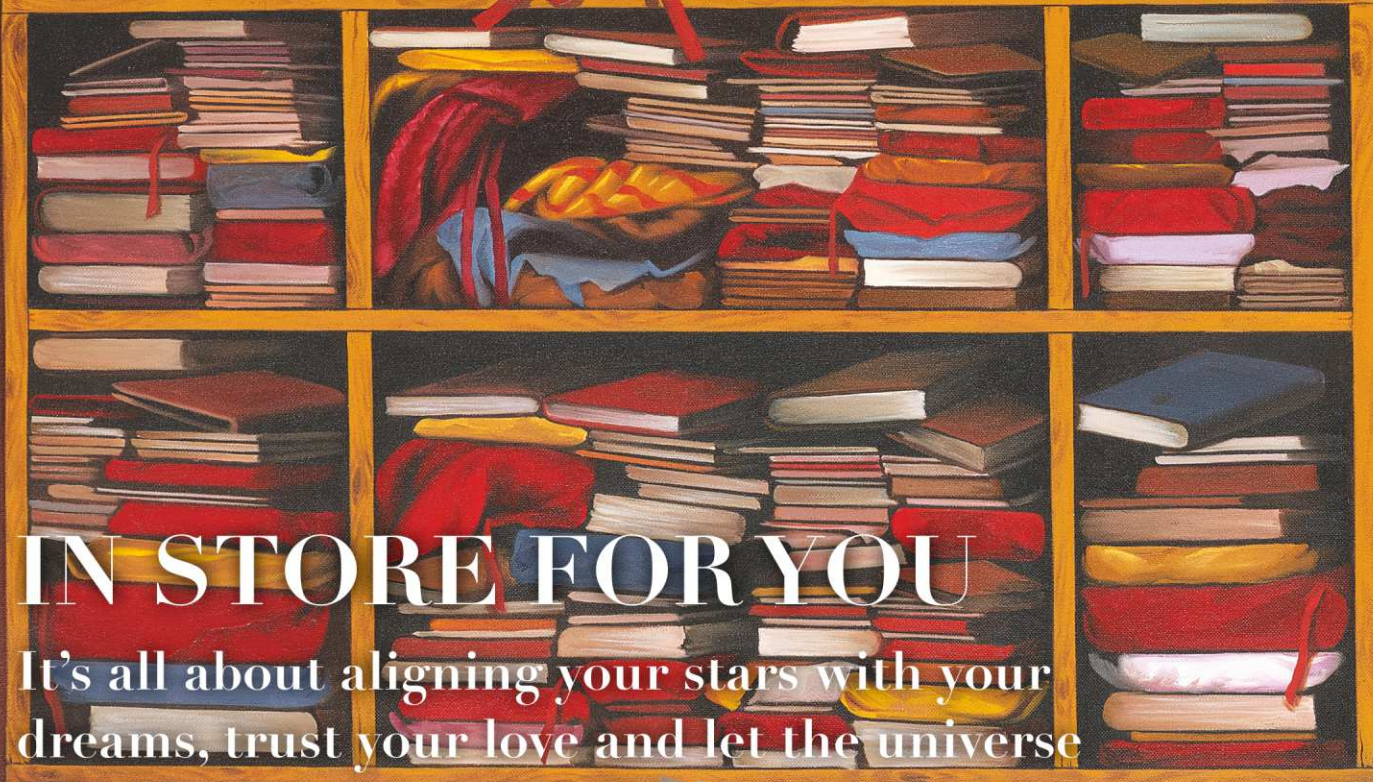
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Dr Glossy Sabharwal answers some of the burning questions related to women's health and hygiene

The case of women and their hygiene has always been hushed about and hence, leaves the majority in ignorance. Young girls who hit puberty, women who are pre-maritally sexually active, and women who are about to enter the marital phase of life are mostly clueless when it comes to knowledge and practices about periods and intercourse. The culture of visiting a women's health specialist is yet to penetrate the Indian lifestyle. One main concern of avoiding a visitation is the series of interrogations that follows and the taboo which is attached to being vocal about sexual activities, pre or post-marriage.

With one goal in mind- service to humanity, Dr Glossy Sabharwal knew she was not entering the field of medicine just for fame and glory. She had a bigger motive. Sabharwal has made a name for herself in the field of Radiology and women's health.



Dr Glossy Sabharwal

When and how often should you start visiting a women's health specialist?

As a woman, you need to keep the five aspects of your health in check and sync. These aspects are not only physical on which you wear your best bridal attires. Apart from the physical aspect, it also includes various kinds of health which are mental, emotional, spiritual, and financial. If you are not sound on any of these, you will fumble. You have to be very on top of things when it comes to your health, so your visit to the doctor should be just once, just two-three months before you are tying the knot.

Having intercourse for the first time is painful to several ladies. Can they do anything to make it less painful for themselves? Is it normal to bleed when you're having sex for the first time?

The first intercourse is painful. Some are relaxed, they don't feel the pain. But the pain threshold is different for everyone. What you can do to relax is to have a conversation first, foreplay helps, and lubrication such as Vaseline or petroleum is important. Keep your bladder and bowel empty by passing urine or motion. By doing this, you will feel relaxed and are not gassy down there. And hence, the pain can be reduced. Your bottom chakra needs to be in balance and sync for you to have no pain. Bleeding or no bleeding, both scenarios are normal. However, if you are bleeding after every intercourse then that needs to be checked.

What are the types of birth control methods available?

It is very important to understand the decision to have a child and get pregnant is in the hands of both partners. It is always good to plan these decisions...If you want to be planned and prepared, there are various methods available to choose from. The safest one I suggest is the physical barrier- male condoms and female condoms...They don't just prevent unwanted pregnancies but also protect you from Sexually Transmitted Diseases or STDs. Then there are oral contraceptive pills. There are no side effects but you need to remember to take it daily. All these contraceptive methods are not 100% guaranteed, increasing the chances of pregnancy.

If your periods are coming in the way of your marriage and

honeymoon dates, should you be doing anything about it?

I always suggest avoid messing up with your periods. But being a woman, there can be certain situations where wearing a tampon or a pad is just not pleasing. There are pills available and you can start taking them about 10 days before your estimated date. You can continue consuming the pills till the time you don't want to have your periods. But be careful to not use it often. Otherwise, your cycle can get messed up.

What is the hygiene guide that I must follow once I start having regular sexual intercourse?

I tell all my patients about the mnemonics of ABCDE. Avoid holding urine, a lot of girls end up holding urine regularly because they don't want to use the public restrooms. Whenever you are on your period and bleeding, avoid intercourse as it can increase the chances of infection. Keep your private parts clean, the cleaning process should always be front to back rather than back to front. Always keep your bottom area dry and avoid any wetness there. Lastly, always be at ease. Avoid wearing undergarments at night to keep the area loose and natural.

What kind of conversations should a person be having with their partner pre or post-intercourse?

Talk to your partner about what you want and what they desire. You must speak to your partner and not keep things to yourself. It may create a mental block for you. So let it out, relax and have a conversation about whatever you have in mind.

How does a person get to know if they have received Sexual Transmitted Infection/STD? And how can you talk to your partner about it?

It is important to understand that any of you can have the infection and one of you can be the carrier of it. You might have an asymptomatic infection but your partner might be showing symptoms. Feeling uneasy down below, having painful intercourse every time, smelly discharge, or difficulty in passing urine, all can be signs of Pelvic Inflammatory Disease. And this needs to be addressed. Talk to your partner and tell them you aren't feeling well down below and need to visit a doctor.



Aries 21.03-19.04

This month can be a bit turbulent in nature for Aries. Miscommunication, arguments, and misunderstandings can arise between you and your loved ones. However, if you are offered travel opportunities for educational and professional purposes, you should take them as they will benefit you. Aries will also witness financial growth in the period.



Taurus 20.04-21.05

A very prosperous professional phase for Taurus as they receive good opportunities in the form of increment and/or promotion. For the business minds of the zodiac, you will be blessed with big profits in your field. However, the phase will be mentally taxing in nature due to an unknown fear.



Gemini 21.05-20.06

A very favourable period of Geminis out there. If you are carrying the responsibility of important decisions in the family or related to them, it is a very appropriate time to make your decision. Additionally, a great time for you to make investments for financial stability and growth.



Libra 23.09-22.10

From the aspect of your relationship, it is not a favourable time as there can be misunderstanding or arguments with your loved ones. It is advisable to avoid it as the outcome will not be good. From a health perspective, physical health can be affected. So, it is recommended to do lifestyle changes in this period. While on the financial side, it is a very good time and you'll see gains.



Scorpio 23.10-21.11

Scorpio will see a period of excessive expenditure. So be careful about your expenses as they can hinder your future prospects and goals. Apart from it, this is a favourable period for them.



Sagittarius 22.11-21.12

If there is bad blood with your family, friends, or relatives, despite having a good relationship with them in the past, things are going to be sorted now, and you'll have a reunion with them. From a business perspective, your income will improve or increase. And this is a good time to make investments in new opportunities in life.

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Cancer 21.06-22.07

This is a period of new planning and beginnings. There is a probability of making new friends, relationships, and love interests which may lead to nuptials. Overall, this is a very healthy and good phase for Cancer.



Leo 23.07-22.08

This period will see Leo getting strong support from the ones who Leo wants on their side in major aspect of their life. Additionally, if you are planning to travel for major decisions or work, it will be in your favour. However, they will also witness unexpected games in this period.



Virgo 23.08-22.09

In any ongoing business related to government, you'll find success in it. Also, there is a possibility of expense increasing along with a good income inflow. On the personal front, it is a great period to spend quality family time.



Capricorn 22.12-19.01

This time period will make you more responsible. Responsibilities will enter your life in a positive way. If you are looking forward to a new venture or a chapter in your life, you'll be getting it soon. In any aspect of your life where your responsibilities increase will bring fame to you. However, expect work pressure



Aquarius 20.01-18.02

It is not a very favourable period for you to trust anyone. Don't trust anyone except your friends and family. Stay busy in your work, do what your heart wishes, and spend time with your family and friends. By doing these, this stressful time will pass with ease.



Pisces 19.02-20.03

It is recommended for all Pisceans to avoid travelling alone. If travel is indispensable, then opt for public transport, air travel, or go along with a driver. On the professional front, you'll see unexpected games while students will have a good time especially if they've given major examinations. Overall, it is going to be a beautiful period with your loved ones.

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-Namrata Soni

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