

## MONOCHROME MANI

For those who thought black talons were just a fleeting trend, think again ... "Black polish is still the most popular alternative to a red or French finish," says Jennifer O'Brien from nail mecca, The Vanity Room. And on the catwalks this season, its presence was once again omnipresent, with slight variations such as the white tips seen at Dior.

**NAIL IT** To mimic the look, "apply two coats of black polish, allow to dry fully, then use adhesive tip guides to get your smile line right. Remove all black nail polish from above the tip guides before applying a layer of white," says Jennifer.

Revlon Nail Enamel  
in Black is Black, €9



Jennifer Lopez



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## Vanity Case

It's time to spring clean your beauty regime. LIZ DWYER rounds up the freshest new products and places.

### CURL UP

Utilising the same curling technology as many of the luxury brands, Bourjois' new Ultra Curl mascara does away with the need for an eyelash curler as it lifts, thickens and fans lashes to give you that wide-eyed flutter. It doesn't clump, smudge or flake and washes off easily. A snip at €11.99.



### Genetic Rewind

Rarely are Lancôme so cloak and dagger about a new product launch but when they finally unveiled their new hero product, Génifique, the mystery became clear. Ten years in the making, Génifique is the first super serum of its kind, based on genomics (the science of genes) and proteomics (the science of skin proteins), it effectively makes the skin's cells behave as if they were much younger. Stemming from the theory that ageing skin is a direct result of waning protein levels and ageing DNA, Génifique is believed to trigger specific genes to boost the presence of proteins and collagen that typify younger skin. Vast amounts of medical research back up the claims that results are visible after seven days and, with continued use, plump, rejuvenated skin should be yours forever, €70.



**BRIGHT EYES** Inspired by the "fun kit" that gets whipped out for fashion week, the Bobbi Brights Palette, €60, is an eye shadow library featuring 35 fantastically on-trend bolts of colour. Designed by Bobbi, "to add a little playfulness to a woman's look, each colour should be worn one at a time, when the mood strikes". Limited Edition at beauty counters now.



**LIP SYNC** THESE GORGEOUS SMOOTHING LIP PENCILS FROM SHISEIDO, GLIDE AROUND THE LIPS TO LINE, DEFINE AND EVEN COLOUR THEM. COMPLETE WITH A BLENDING BRUSH, RICH IN PIGMENT AND WITH 20 COLOUR OPTIONS, THEY ALMOST ELIMINATE THE NEED TO LAYER ON A LIPSTICK AT ALL, €20

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