

MARIE HICKEY & YVONNE MAHER

YOUR DREAM TEAM FOR WEDDING BEAUTY

When makeup artist Yvonne Maher and hair stylist Marie Hickey were booked for the same wedding, they hit it off instantly. Bonded by their love of beauty and banter, they decided to offer their services to brides as a team and a perfect marriage was born.

Marie and Yvonne are dedicated to making sure your wedding day is fun for everyone, so their skills and personalities are in perfect balance. In advance of your wedding day, both of them will run trials to make sure that the makeup, hairstyle and tan they choose complement your skin type and colouring. The dress is the deciding factor in creating your look. They will look at photographs of your dress and create a look that highlights its beauty.

But the fun really begins on the day itself – and it doesn't stop until you climb into your car to be brought to the

church. Marie arrives first, at about 8am, a full hour before any salon opens. While you and your bridal party loll around in your pyjamas, she will begin setting your hair in rollers. All you have to do is concentrate on soaking up the atmosphere and enjoying the company of your family and friends. It's your reward for all the hard work you've put in.

When Marie has finished, Yvonne will start applying makeup. She prepares your skin with soothing moisturiser, flash balm or primer. Then it's time for the foundation. The Dior foundation and airbrush makeup Yvonne uses is guaranteed to last all day, without even a touch-up. Makeup application lasts 30 minutes for bridesmaids and 45 minutes for the bride – the woman of the hour. When Yvonne is finished, Marie takes over again and finishes off your hairstyle. Marie and Yvonne create a



relaxed atmosphere, with plenty of banter and laughter. They will take the word stress out of your vocabulary. With their teamwork approach, they'll coordinate your look and make sure it's flawless.

Marie and Yvonne don't do flapping brides – all you'll have to worry about is who will open the champagne. They can turn their hand to anything – adjusting hairpieces, pinning flowers and zipping up dresses. They've even been known to drive the mother of the bride to the ceremony. If you're still feeling panicky as you leave the house, Yvonne uses a yon-ka aromatherapy spray that never fails to calm the nerves. You've done all the hard work – it's time to relax and leave it to the professionals. And you can rest assured that they'll get you to the chapel on time.

Marie and Yvonne will bring the wow factor to your wedding. You will glide up the aisle glowing in the knowledge that you are looking your most glamorous. The key ingredient Marie and Yvonne bring to your look is passion for what they do. "It's an amazing job for Marie and myself," says Yvonne. "Every house brings something different, laughter, tears, drama, love and happiness."

Marie and Yvonne can be booked individually or as a team for your wedding.

Marie's work can be viewed on www.bridalhairbymarie.com and contacted on 0861704864.

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