

FAQ about Eyelash Extensions

What are Eyelash Extensions? Eyelash Extensions are a popular service and product that lengthens and thickens your own natural eyelashes. Lash Extensions are single strands of synthetic eyelashes that are curved to replicate a natural eyelash. They are applied to each individual natural eyelash one by one for a natural, beautiful and luscious look. Eyelash Extensions are perfect for special occasions or for day-to-day wear.

What is Classic Lashing? It is the art and technique of applying one single synthetic eyelash extension to one single isolated natural lash.

What is Russian Volume Lashing? This technique is an immaculate method in which you are safely applying 2 or more fine and lightweight (0.05-0.07mm in diameter) eyelash extensions hand made into “fans” or “bouquets” per natural lash to create a fuller look. With the Volume technique you can apply more extensions, using less weight. This is good for those who do not have many natural lashes or for those who want a fuller look.

How long will a full set of eyelash extensions last? When applied properly, eyelash extensions will last the length of the natural growth cycle of your eyelashes. Everyone’s experience will differ based on day-to-day activities but over all touchups should only be required every 2 to 3 weeks. A special waterproof bonding agent is used. Glue does not contain any fumes or irritants and is long lasting.

How often should I get in fills? We recommend getting an infill every 2 to 3 weeks. If you wait too long your eyelash extensions will fall out and you may need a new set. Your natural eyelashes fall off every 45 – 60 days due to the natural growth cycle and are naturally replaced with the growth of a new eyelash. Each individual eyelash is on a different cycle. Other factors such as exposure to steam or touching your eyes may cause the extensions to fall sooner. A touch up is needed to fill in any lashes that have fallen.

Can I apply mascara to eyelash extensions? Yes, however it is not necessary. If you must use mascara, only use water-based mascara. **DO NOT USE OIL-BASED AND WATERPROOF MASCARA.** Waterproof mascara or any type of oil-based mascara can dissolve the bonding agent and shorten the life of your eyelash extensions causing them to fall sooner. Care also needs to be taken in washing off the mascara. Only use a water based eye makeup remover.

Can I continue my daily activities including swimming with eyelash extensions? Yes. The medical grade adhesive we use is waterproof and allows you to shower, swim, exercise etc. Special care is required but overall maintenance is low. Do NOT use heavy water, such as in the shower on your lashes for about 12- 24 hours after the eyelash application. A light Mist is fine.

Can I use eyelash curlers with eyelash extensions? We do not recommend using mechanical eyelash curlers on your eyelash extensions, as these curlers will damage the extensions and possibly your own natural lashes. The extensions do have a natural curl but if more of a curl is required we recommend that you request for a different curl on your next appointment.

How do I take care of my new Eyelash Extensions?

- Use only water-based makeup & makeup remover
- Avoid waterproof and hard-to-remove eye makeup products
- Take off all traces of eye makeup every night
- Thoroughly wash your lash line daily with Belle Chérie lash cleanser
- Brush lashes when entangled or use a blow dryer set on “cool” to fan them back in place after shower
- Always start your appointment with flawlessly clean eyelashes
- Get touch-ups every 2-4 weeks
- Do NOT get lashes wet for 12-24 hours after appointment
- Avoid hot steam and saunas
- Avoid running water directly on your lashes
- Do not perm your lashes
- Do not use a mechanical eyelash curler
- Be careful to avoid rubbing your eyes
- NEVER pick or pull off your eyelashes (this may cause your natural lashes to come out prematurely)
- Please see a trained lash tech to have them removed

Is the product FDA approved? Is it safe? Currently the FDA is not regulating eyelash extensions because the eyelash extensions are applied to the natural eyelash hairs and do not touch the skin. The application process is pain-free and relaxing that most clients fall asleep during the procedure. However, improper application by an unqualified eyelash technician can cause damage to your natural lashes. We recommend only using a Certified Eyelash Extension Specialist.

How long will it take to Apply Eyelash Extensions and how is it done? The application process for lash extensions normally takes anywhere from 30 min. – 1.5 hours with someone who is experienced doing these. If you go to a newly certified professional it may take up to 3 hours. You will lay comfortably on a massage or facial table with your eyes closed. The Eyelash professional will then apply an under eye gel pad to cover your lower lashes. The extensions will then be applied to each individual eyelash on a hair-by-hair basis.

How do I choose the look I want? Eyelash extensions are available in a number of lengths and thickness. We normally consult with you first to see what type of style and fullness you are interested in. We also determine what your lashes can hold in regards to size. Each person's lashes will vary in strength and length. We take this into consideration when creating a look for you. The overall look of the lashes is very natural.