



# Shellac™

## **SHELLAC AFTERCARE ADVICE**

I know you will absolutely LOVE your nails while you are wearing Shellac and I expect your nails to last flawlessly for at least 14 days as long as you give them a little care and attention during that time.

We say Shellac is pretty indestructible with Normal Wear and Tear, which means you have to partner with us by adding a little protection to your nails if doing jobs like household cleaning and gardening, hobbies that are rough on your hands or using harsh chemical products (like bleach or strong cleaning products) without wearing gloves; doing these things without protection can mar your Shellac service and your nails will not look their best for the full 14 days.

If you do happen to cause some damage to the Shellac coating and see any of the following signs, we hope you find the advice below helpful.

If something you have done has caused a chip or lifted an edge of your Shellac manicure, please do NOT pick or pull at the area, as this will cause any damage to increase. Please ring me on 07747 688 951 so that I can assess the nail and decide if a repair is necessary. Please note that repairs will be chargeable, unless significant damage occurs within 48hrs of your appointment.

If you are on holiday please be careful when using sun tan oils or insect repellent solutions as many of these products contain solvent oils which will cause major damage to the Shellac colour coat.

Some of the more delicate Shellac colours can fade somewhat if one is in chlorinated water followed by excessive sun (remember that chlorine is a bleach and sun intensifies the bleaching action). Dry your hands and nails after swimming and before sunbathing to minimize any colour fading.

Please use Solar Oil at least twice a day (especially at night before going to bed) to replace lost moisture to your skin and nails. I recommend Solar Oil which I retail from £4.50 and which is made to be used with Shellac. Also beneficial is the use of any CND hand and body lotion daily. Regularly using CND aftercare products will substantially prolong the life of your Shellac manicure and keep your natural nails and the skin surrounding them healthy, moisturised and flexible.

If you wish to temporarily change the colour of your nails whilst wearing Shellac you can use nail enamel over the Shellac but please be sure to use an Acetone Free Remover if removing nail polish between appointments.

Relative to your life-style and activity level, your Shellac will need fortnightly or three weekly maintenance as there will be obvious re-growth. At this point I can either re-Shellac your nails (removing existing Shellac and re-applying a fresh new colour) or I can remove the Shellac completely, which takes a brief 10 minutes.

If you do decide you want to remove your Shellac please call me and let me do it safely for you in the salon. Incorrect removal at home may damage the surface of your nails. I will be able to remove Shellac using a professional remover and to give you a mini-manicure so that your natural nails look perfectly groomed.

If you have any questions or queries please call me on 07747 688 951.