

# 7 Additional Lipstick Application Tips

*This is an extra resource to go along with the original article:*

[\*How to Improve Your Pout: A Beginner's Guide to Lipstick\*](#)

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## 1. Apply Lipstick with a Brush

To have maximum control over your lipstick, apply it with a brush. Remember to work from the inside out, and don't forget to apply product to the inner corners of your lips.

## 2. Why and How to Blot Your Lips

To improve the lasting power of your lipstick, apply it twice. First, apply the lipstick, then use a tissue to gently blot it off. Add powder to set your lipstick. Then, apply the lipstick again. **Don't** touch your lipstick for at least five minutes in order to fully set your lips.

## 3. Do the Finger Trick

There's nothing worse than having lipstick on your teeth and being the last one to find out. To avoid this faux pas, do the finger trick. After applying your lipstick, stick your index finger in your mouth and pull it out of your closed lips (we can both cringe together). Any lipstick that would normally be on your teeth is now on your finger instead. That tip is worth the cringe!

## 4. Use a Concealer

Concealer isn't just for under the eye. You can also use concealer to clean up lipstick and create a perfect application.

## 5. Don't Forget the Gloss

Unless you're going for an intentionally matte look, consider gloss to give you lips a pouty, fuller appearance. But, keep in mind, gloss has a tendency to highlight every dry line, flaw or wrinkle, so be sure to exfoliate *before* applying gloss.

## 6. Get Rid of Old Lipstick

Lipstick expires. Get rid of it before it expires to prevent allergic reactions or other health concerns that you don't need. Don't hold on to lipstick for longer than 18 months.

## 7. Be Gentle When Removing Lipstick

Use a natural makeup remover, such as coconut oil, to remove all of your cosmetics, especially lipstick. Don't forget to re-moisturize your lips with our Rallye balm.