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### How to : plaits



Plaits are big news this season - as seen at the Erdem show (left) - and make a chic alternative to the up-do, if you're game for a bit of a challenge. Here, hair stylist Alain Pichon gives us his top tips for creating the look.

Start with clean, damp hair, and apply a small amount of gel through the lengths (try **COGNEAC PARIS STUDIO LINE**).

**STYLE ADVICE: WET AND SLEEP** (25-35) Then, divide a small portion at the front of the head and separate the front section of the hair, either side. Start plaiting each section vertically from the front, but leave the hair at the crown of your head free. As you plait and move towards the back of your head, start adding the hair from the crown. When you have plaited both sides, twist the ends together into a bun and tuck with bobby pins to the crown. **THE GATWALK YOUR BUSINESS** (25) To make it more of a party look, try using **BLISS** (25) and **SHINE** (25) in the party.

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Sonia Jettie, Stella Loves editor  
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