



The morning after

CLEAN THE GOWN OF YOUR DREAMS AND PRESERVE IT FOR YEARS TO COME WITH HELP FROM PRESERVATION PROFESSIONALS!

Overdosing on champagne or chocolate cake will leave your gown looking worse for wear the morning after your big night. Fortunately it's fixable and your gown can be good as new for your 20 year vow renewal!

The role of a preservationist

Remove unwanted stains – any spills can cause the fabric much damage and may cause browning which can't be removed later.

Prevent fabric discolouration – the dyes used in wedding dress fabrics, when exposed to chemicals in the air can lead to the 'yellowing' of your dress over time.

Prevent mould growing – bacteria and fungi can find their way to your dress if it is not stored correctly.

Prevent rusting of metal components – this may be caused due to the process of oxidation, when oxygen in the air reacts with the metal features such as zippers.

How is it done?

An examination of the dress to reveal any stains, or damage to the dress as well as to gain an understanding of the fabrics used in the gown and they best way to handle these. Be sure to give the dry cleaner relevant information about what your dress has been exposed to, such as a beach or outdoor location.

Stains will be removed in the safest manner reflecting the nature of

the stain and the fabrics used in the dress.

The gown will be cleaned in a specialist product appropriate for your fabric, this is similar to the standard dry cleaning process.

The dress will be folded into an acid free cardboard box, often lined with acid free paper to prevent the yellowing of the material. It is important to use the highest quality storage box for your dress so it is stored in an ideal environment. Some places will offer a viewing window, so you are not tempted to open up the box. Some preservation companies seal the box and remove the air to create a vacuum – the ultimate protection for your dress!

Some bridal stores offer this service, however it is unlikely to be cost effective. Most dry cleaners advertise this function in the yellow pages, so call around and find the best deal. If any friends or family have been recently married, ask them where they had their gown preserved and if they were satisfied with the job.

How should I store the dress once it is returned to me?

Your wedding dress will be returned to you in a sealed box. To prevent permanent creasing of yours dress in this box, it is suggested that you take out your dress and refold it every two years. Store your box somewhere dry and ventilated and away from direct sunlight.

SAFE AND SOUND



ABOVE Your dress will be returned to you in an acid-free box to prevent the yellowing of the fabric over time.

THE BEAUTY-MAKERS

Countdown to the big day...

Want to look back at your wedding pictures and amaze yourself at how incredible you looked? Silkwood Medical, specialists in natural-looking cosmetic enhancement, take you through a 3-month countdown to ensure you and your bridal party look stunning on your special day.

Three months

Consultation at Silkwood Medical.

Meet the team of aesthetic nurses and aestheticians all guided by expert Plastic Surgeon, Dr Warwick Nettle, FRACS. They will devise a program of treatments that specifically suit your needs. The team work together using a combination of technologies, cosmeceuticals and injectables to achieve glamorous enhancement, regardless of age. And it's great for the groom and fathers of the bridal couple too. Enjoy the luxury of the practice and the team's extensive knowledge to help you achieve the results for your big day.

Ten weeks

Medical-grade Microdermabrasion

improves lines, discolouration, acne and scarring. Maureen Cole, Silkwood Medical's paramedical aesthetician, with more than 20 years experience, says most people will require a series of treatments which can be done one week apart.

Eight weeks

Profractional Laser stimulates collagen, treats scarring, wrinkles and plumps up the skin. Or try **Laser Skin Resurfacing**, says Cole, which can be done on the whole face and will dramatically improve the three T's - tone, texture and tightening of the skin.

Six weeks

Dermabrasion will reduce fine lines and give you a tighter looking face. Skin takes a week to recover, but the best results show after a month.

Four weeks

Dermal Fillers can add cheek definition to a flat face or plump up and add definition to your lips, explains Silkwood's Marilyn Cassetta RN, whose career has seen her at the cutting edge of non-surgical cosmetic procedures for over 20 years.

Remember to book in Mum-of-the-Bride, Mum-in-Law and Bridesmaids too.

She suggests these to brides, because they are changeable. By reinjecting the area with an enzyme you can remove or alter the fillers.

Three weeks

Muscle Relaxing Injections are also Cassetta's specialty. A Nefertiti Lift relaxes the muscles under the jaw, stopping the face from being pulled down. DAO (depressor anguli oris) treatment targets the downturned corners of the mouth, to refresh the face.

Two weeks

Chemical Peels improve sun-damaged or pigmented skin, as well as light acne scarring and blemishes. **FotoFacial IPL** can get rid of hyperpigmentation and freshen up the skin. It's very good for people with red blotchiness, rosacea or an uneven or rough skin texture, adds Cole.

One week

Run out of time? Visit Silkwood for a **Medifacial** - the perfect quick pick-me-up for your skin. It's deep cleaning and targets breakout using medical-grade antioxidants to strengthen and improve the glow of your skin. Plus, it will be a relaxing breather in your final week, concludes Cole.

Surgical Options

Many women contemplate surgery for years – rhinoplasty, breast augmentation and liposculpture – until a major life event proves the catalyst to make the change they wanted – often the occasion of a marriage. Dr Warwick Nettle (Facial Plastic Surgeon) and Dr Benjamin Norris (Breast Augmentation specialist) are renowned for helping brides achieve their desired plastic surgery results for face and body enhancement.

Lisa had Rhinoplasty in March for her wedding this October.

"All my life I have been dissatisfied with my nose. I never liked having my photo taken and knowing my wedding was going to be photographed horrified me. I believe that the surgery will make my wedding day even more special, knowing that I look and feel like a princess." Lisa.



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