



December Pigment of the Month!



Plumberry is a gorgeous deep red that can be used straight on both warm and cool complexions.

You can soften Plumberry by adding Naked. This creates a warmer tone and is quite beautiful. You can deepen Plumberry with Java Mauve, Burnt Rose, Merlot or Brown Sugar.

A small amount can also be used to intensify Rosa Red or Red Stiletto. If you want Plumberry pinker, add Vintage Rose.

Always check the degree of blue in the lips to decide if Pumpkin or New Pumpkin is required when using Plumberry. Place your formula ***directly onto the lip*** vermilion and allow it to dry. If it dries too cool, add one or more drops of one of the Pumpkin shades. Then, reapply to vermilion, allow it to dry and check the color, again, especially if they are a BBI-4.

Fitzpatrick 1-4, BBI 1-4.

Needles...

I select my needle according to the degree of blue in the lips. This becomes a greater concern if I am using a cool or deep color in a very blue. If I have this concern and my client falls into the darker side of the BBI 3 level or 4, I will avoid using a 3-Liner to line the lips and go up in needle size to a 5-Shader or a 7-liner. The smaller needle groups travel deeper into the skin and cool off the color you are depositing. When in doubt, go to the 7-Liner.

For the lip interior, I will use a 5-Slope if I do not have the concerns with too much blue. Creating an Umbre look is fabulous with Plumberry. I will shade off with the 5-Slope toward the interior of the lips. When I am concerned about the degree of blue, I will use a 9-Magnum since it doesn't deposit as much color as the 5-Slope.

Topicals...

Presently, we pre-numb with a 5% Lidocaine cream for 15 to 20 minutes. We do not remove the Lidocaine until the color is prepared and table is complete. Then, we remove the topical and draw the lip shape. I then immediately trace both top and bottom lips, wipe color, layer my mixture of half Duration Ultra and half Magic Gel, then a layer of Super Trio and a layer of Vaseline to occlude the area. Wipe off and proceed, immediately. It will work that fast. Occasionally, throughout the procedure, I layer these topicals and wipe right away and continue. I also keep Numbpot Gold on hand. If I find that this combination is not completely numbing, I may switch them up. I am always looking for the most effective combination of topical anesthetics that work best for that particular client.

Wishing you all a happy and safe holiday season! Thank you for your continued patronage and loyalty. We look forward to meeting all your permanent cosmetic services in the upcoming year.

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