Brush UP

Choosing the correct brush for the job is Cosmetology 101. But just because you know which tools to use doesn't mean your client does. Ask her what she has at home, and educate her on why that may or may not be the best choice for her tresses.



ROUND BRUSH

The round brush is a blowout's best friend. With vented barrels designed to conduct heat and increase airflow, these tools can straighten and smooth or wave and bend manes on command. And when she's deciding which size barrel to purchase, remind her the smaller the barrel, the tighter the curl, and vice versa. Two to suggest? The 1907 Copper Round Brush, which features ionic nylon pins plus a boar bristle strip to ensure a glossy finish, and the Keratin Complex Ceramic + Ionic Round Brush with a built-in thermal comb, which offers extra tension for super-straight styles.

frommbeauty.com, keratincomplex.com



PADDLE BRUSH

A hero to many hair types, and especially thicker manes, the paddle brush helps to redistribute natural oils from the scalp throughout the lengths, in turn staving off frizz and smoothing strands. For coarser or curly coifs, try **The Green Brush by Bass Brushes** with wide-set wooden bristles for gentle detangling even on wet tresses. Fine to normal textures may prefer the **UNITE Boar Bristle Paddle Brush**, perfect for dry-brushing and polishing styles. *bassbrushes.com*, *unitehair.com*

VENT BRUSH

This multitasker not only detangles wet hair and increases volume, it also cuts dry time by allowing more heat to reach the hair shaft. Easy to use, this basic brush is perfect for clients who keep their routines low-maintenance. One good choice is the **Keratherapy Curved Large Vent Brush**, which conforms to the shape of the head while drying large sections quickly. *keratherapy.com*

SPECIALTY BRUSH

Clients with extensions need to be extra gentle when brushing. Loop brushes have seamless bent bristles made to glide

easily through delicate faux locks to remove tangles without snagging or pulling. Spornette Super Looper is one of our favorites. Another good option is The Pastel Brush by Wet Brush, offering IntelliFlex and SofTips bristle technology for detangling on all hair types, wet or dry—including extensions, pieces and wigs. spornette.com, thewetbrush.com

