

## Chromatastic report for Isabella Hartley

## Season and tone

Season: Autumn

Sub-Season: Soft Autumn

Undertone and Contrast: Warm undertones with a gentle radiance and high contrast features.



## Season Analysis & Colours

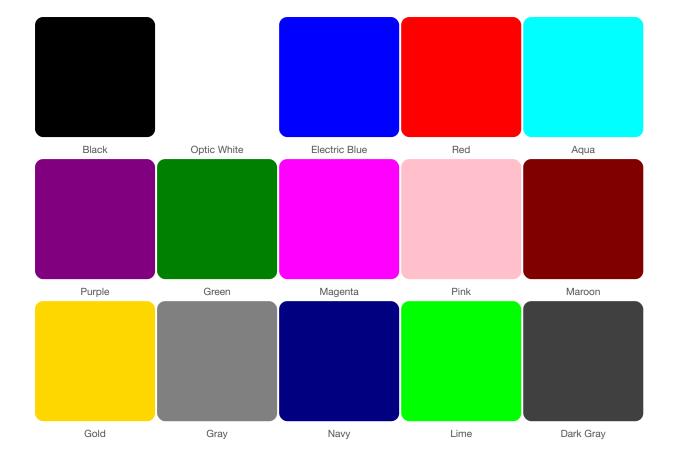
#### Your best colours:

Isabella, your Soft Autumn palette, highlighted by warm undertones, wraps you in natural radiance, enhancing your caramel hair and light brown eyes perfectly. Colours like Golden Rod and Saddle Brown reflect this warmth and add a harmonious glow to your overall appearance. The incorporation of Rosy Brown further softens your features for a subtle yet powerful impact.



#### **Colours to avoid:**

While embracing colours that complement your warmth, you should steer clear of harsh shades like black, optic white, and electric blue. These can create a jarring contrast against your complexion, overshadowing your natural radiance. Particularly, black can be too harsh, making your skin appear washed out, while optic white might overwhelm your gentle radiance.



## Hair

Given your oval face shape, a layered cut that enhances the natural volume and texture of your caramel hair is ideal. Opt for edges that softly frame the face to highlight your features while maintaining versatility. This style not only complements the shape but brings out the warm undertones in your hair, providing a fresh and modern look.

Based on you natural hair colour, caramel



Recommended Cut & Colour

## **Explore More Hairstyles**

For more examples, visit this curated Pinterest board:

more hair styles

## Makeup

For a casual look, focus on enhancing your natural glow with a light shimmery eyeshadow and a hydrating tinted lip balm that complements your best palette. Elevate formal looks by highlighting your cheeks and using a bold, matte lipstick to really make your lips pop. Pair it with beautifully blended smokey eyes to accentuates your eye colour and overall elegance.

#### **Casual Shades:**



Recommended Casual Look







Eyes - Wheat

#### **Formal Shades:**



Recommended formal Look



Lips - Persian Plum



Eyes - Saddle Brown

## Jewellery

Considering your warm undertones, Isabella, opting for gold jewellery would be most flattering. Whether it's gold-plated, rose gold, or even brass, these metals will complement your skin tone, enhancing your natural glow without overwhelming your features.



Recommended Jewellery

## Style

**Casual**: For a casual outfit, blend your Soft Autumn palette like a Sienna cardigan over a Navajo White top. Pair with dark denim jeans and accessorize with leather boots and a chocolate brown leather bag.



Recommended Casual Style

**Workwear**: In the workplace, choose a Sandy Brown blazer over a Pale Yellow blouse. Complement this with taupe trousers, a structured Peruvian leather bag, and gold stud earrings for a polished look.



Recommended Workwear Style

**Formal**: For formal occasions, a Dark Sea Green cocktail dress works beautifully with your soft autumn tones. Pair it with golden heels and a matching clutch for an elegant ensemble.



Recommended Formal Style

## Wardrobe Sustainability Tip

To incorporate less optimal colors from your wardrobe, layer them beneath your best palette colors, using accents and accessories to bridge the gap. Keeping your natural hair color not only reduces the need for frequent chemical treatments but also aligns with a sustainable lifestyle. Get creative by repurposing old items—transform scarves into chic belts or embellish older pieces with patches or embroidery to refresh their look while staying on-trend.

#### **Quick Tips When a Trendy Colour Clashes with Your Palette**

- Use One Accent: Try the trend in a scarf, shoes or jewelry in small doses only.
- Stick to Neutrals: Pair the clashing hue with a basic (black, white, gray or beige) outfit.
- Pick Softer Shades: Swap a bright colour for its pastel or muted version.
- Mix with Your Palette: Add two pieces in your season's colours alongside the trend piece.
- **Undertone Check:** Hold the fabric up to your face in daylight if your skin looks even, then it works.
- Own It: If you love it, wear it confidently. Style rules are guides, not set in stone.

## Seasons Guide

Season	Sub- season	Undertone (Skin)	Overtone (Colour Quality)
Spring	True Spring	Warm	Clear / Medium-bright
	Light Spring	Warm	Light / Soft
	Bright Spring	Warm	Bright / High-contrast
Summer	True Summer	Cool	Clear / Medium-bright
	Light Summer	Cool	Light / Soft
	Soft Summer	Cool	Soft / Muted
Autumn	True Autumn	Warm	Clear / Medium-warm
	Soft Autumn	Warm	Soft / Muted
	Deep Autumn	Warm	Deep / Rich
Winter	True Winter	Cool	Clear / Medium-bright

Season	Sub- season	Undertone (Skin)	Overtone (Colour Quality)
	Bright Winter	Cool	Bright / High-contrast
	Deep Winter	Cool	Deep / Intense

#### What Is a Season?

A "season" is one of four broad colour families, Spring, Summer, Autumn or Winter, each reflecting the natural light and warmth (or coolness) you harmonize with most. It's your overall palette group: warm seasons (Spring and Autumn) share a golden foundation, while cool seasons (Summer and Winter) sit on a blue based base.

#### What Is a Sub-season?

Each season contains three "sub-seasons" that refine your palette by lightness, depth or brightness. Example: Light Spring is softer and paler than Bright Spring, and Deep Autumn is richer than Soft Autumn. Sub-seasons pinpoint the exact tints, tones and shades that suit you best.

#### **Undertone vs. Overtone**

**Undertone** is the subtle hue beneath your skin's surface, warm (yellow, peachy, golden) or cool (pink, bluish). Warm undertones fit Spring/Autumn; cool undertones fit Summer/Winter.

**Overtone** describes your palette's character, its clarity, intensity and temperature. Is it light & soft (Light Summer), bright & high-contrast (Bright Winter), or deep & rich (Deep Autumn)? Matching overtone makes clothes and makeup feel like natural extensions of your colouring.

Aspect	Undertone	Overtone
Definition	Your skin's natural, underlying hue (warm, cool or neutral) that stems from genetics.	The surface appearance of your skin, its lightness, shade and clarity, that can shift with sun, health and makeup.
What drives it	Pigment base: yellow, peachy or golden (warm); pink, bluish or red (cool); or a mix (neutral).	Melanin level, blood flow, sun exposure (tanning), skincare, cosmetic products.
Stability	Essentially constant throughout life, unchanged by sun, seasons or temporary conditions.	Variable: darkens with a tan, reddens when flushed, brightens with a facial, etc.
How to test	Jewelry/vein test in natural light (see gold vs. silver method).	Simply observe changes: your tan depth, redness or pallor over time.

#### **Does Undertone Change When You Tan?**

No, getting a summer tan only alters your overtone (the depth and warmth of your surface color). Your undertone, the cool, warm or neutral base beneath remains exactly the same, even if your skin darkens. In fact, a strong tan can sometimes mask undertone clues (like vein color), so it's best to check your undertone when your tan has faded or by using jewelry tests rather than relying on surface hue alone.

#### **Tip for Testing Undertone Year-Round**

- Stand in natural daylight wearing a plain white top.
- Hold both gold and silver jewelry up to bare skin (no makeup).
- Look for which metal makes your veins look more contrasted and your skin more even.

For example:

- Hold a piece of gold jewelry against your skin and see how your veins and skin tone look.
- Then do the same with a piece of silver.
- Whichever metal makes your skin look smoother and your veins less obvious is your match.
  - If gold gives you that effect, you're warm-toned. If silver does, you're cool-toned. That contrast will reveal your underlying hue regardless of how light or dark your skin appears on the surface.

# How Hair Dye Interacts with Your Seasonal Palette

Dyeing your hair won't change your underlying "season" (based on your natural skin undertone), but it can alter your overtone. You remain, for example, a Warm-Spring or Cool-Summer underneath, yet a very warm or very cool dye can either enhance or clash with your natural palette.

Below is a quick-reference table of dye shades that tend to flatter each seasonal palette and undertone:

Season	Undertone	Best Dye Shades	Shades to Avoid
Spring	Warm	Golden blonde, honey, light copper, warm caramel	Ashy blonde, cool brown, jet black
Summer	Cool	Ash blonde, rose- gold, cool light brown, dusty lavender	Golden blonde, bright copper, orange
Autumn	Warm	Rich auburn, chocolate, chestnut, warm mahogany	Platinum blonde, ashy browns, pastel
Winter	Cool	Jet black, cool espresso, platinum, deep blue-black	Golden browns, warm reds, caramel

#### **How to Choose Your Dye**

- Match your undertone:
  - Warm: gold-based, red or caramel hues
  - Cool: ash-based, platinum or blue-based hues
- Lean into your season's overtone:
  - Light seasons: softer, pastel-leaning shades
  - Bright/Clear seasons: vivid, medium-contrast colours
  - Deep seasons: rich, intense tones
  - Soft/Muted seasons: low-contrast, dusty shades

#### **Practical Steps**

- 1. Confirm your undertone using the gold vs. silver test.
- 2. Identify your season's overtone (light, clear, deep or soft).
- 3. Select a dye from your season's palette (e.g. warm mahogany for Deep Autumn, ash-platinum blonde for True Summer).
- 4. Test a small strand first or use a semi-permanent dye to ensure it complements your complexion before committing.

## Closing

Understanding your undertone and seasonal palette doesn't just refine your style, it transforms the way you shop, get ready and present yourself. By knowing which colours truly flatter you, you'll save time, reduce waste and feel more confident, cohesive and authentic every day.

#### **Benefits of Knowing Your Undertone & Season**

- Save Time & Reduce Decision Fatigue: Quickly choose pieces you know will work, whether online or in your closet.
- Build a Cohesive, Versatile Wardrobe: Mix and match effortlessly and pack light without outfit mismatches.
- Make Smarter Beauty Choices: From lipstick to hair colour, let your palette guide every element for a unified look.
- Feel & Look More Confident: Flattering shades give you an instant glow and boost your self-assurance.
- Invest Wisely & Sustainably: Choose timeless pieces in your palette to cut down on fast-fashion waste.
- Enhance Your Personal Brand: A consistent colour story strengthens your image in every setting.