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PENCIL ME IN...THE KEY TO SMOKY NOT SMUDGY EYES

Recently, I stumbled upon fantastic eyeliner pencils that give beautiful smoky eyes without smudging. I have been searching all over for the ultimate smoky eye pencil. I'm the type of girl that likes to put on my make-up in the early morning and look just as fresh when I leave work later at night. It's a daunting task for any make-up, but I finally found my match. Xtreme's new GlideLiners. Yes, Xtreme the eyelash extension company. These awesome liners glide on like silk and really do last all day. There are five colors to choose giving you many options depending on how natural or dramatic you want to look.

First I put some powder foundation over my eye area to create a smooth base. Then I took a sharpened Golden Olive GlideLiner and lined the top and bottom of my eyes along the lash line. Then I took the Xpresso GlideLiner and made a thin line above the Golden Olive. I also rimmed the inside of my bottom lid along the lash line with the Xpresso pencil. After lining my eyes, I used an Xtreme Lint Free Applicator to blend and soften the lines for the smoky effect.

For a more dramatic look, I'll use a really vibrant eye shadow with an angle brush and go right on top of the GlideLiner. This is a way to really punch up the colors of the blue or green. Along with an incredibly vibrant color, you get long lasting color that is smudge free. One of my personal favorites is the Plum GlideLiner. This really brings out the green in hazel or green eyes.



As a professional makeup artist, I love the GlideLiners because they go on so fast and seamless that it is perfect each and every time. I used it on my client for her Good Morning America appearance and I didn't have to do any touchups after the first application. On my bridal clients, this water resistant formula is a must have to last through tears and time. The Xtreme 100% Oil Free Make-up Remover makes removing the GlideLiner very easy so there is no pulling on the eyelid and no left over eyeliner. The aloe in the remover is so hydrating to the eye area, it is almost like an eye treatment.

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