



## Faux sure!

Sometimes you have to fake it to make it...

Usually, we're the first to say: natural is better. But when it comes to wimpy lashes, even we could use a boost. So we decided to try extensions. Scary? Not since we discovered [Lashtique](#), owned by Ria, a nurse turned lash artist. Here's our tester's take:

- **Spend more, fret less.** Ria, trained in [Xtreme Lashes](#), charges \$350 for 65 lashes per eye. (Similar stylists charge upwards of \$400.) The glue she uses doesn't touch skin, only a single lash as each extension is attached. Cheaper "cluster" extensions adhere to more than one hair, which means when one lash sheds, it yanks others out. Ouch!
- **Patience, patience.** Individually applying extensions hair by hair takes a long time--two hours on average. Lower lashes are taped down so they stay out of the way--slightly awkward--but otherwise Ria makes the process completely comfortable.
- **No more clumping and smudging!** Lush lashes last up to two months. (Less expensive versions are heavier and fall out sooner.) The price may be steep, but can easily be offset by skipping mani/pedis for a while. Plus, waking up "naturally" beautiful is priceless!

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