

Clean hair in a can – a festival must-have!

With campers ready to slum it in the hygiene stakes, we've put dry shampoo to the test

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AS any hardcore festival-goer knows, having to survive without all your usual home comforts goes with the territory.

Hair straighteners and driers are out of the question, and even warm running water is a scarcity on the campsite.

With no easy way of washing or preening your barnet, it means only one frightening prospect – a bad hair day for each and every day the festival lasts.

But no rock chick – or chap – wants to sport greasy and dirty locks even if they are roughing it.

So as the festival season is upon us, with RockNess starting

tomorrow, the Tried and Tested team has taken the opportunity to try out a festival must-have – the dry shampoo.

Promising to be an easy and quick alternative to a wash and blow dry, these sprays say they will refresh, revitalise and fragrance your locks, ready to face another day.

And even after the music festival is over, a dry shampoo is a handy item to have on those days when you're pressed for time and need a quick pick-me-up for your hairstyle.

Read on to see which ones we think rock or not.



After a long day of dancing and partying at RockNess (pictured above), dry shampoo can make you feel good as new.



Wake up, spray your hair with dry shampoo, rub clean and off you go!

Osmo – Day Two Styler Dry Shampoo, RRP £4.95. Available from www.osmoessence.co.uk

FOR me, packaging is always important, and this one gets the thumbs up as it comes in a gold, posh-looking tin.

It's a case of shaking the can well and then spraying it onto your roots. When the product lands on your locks it leaves a white residue, which at first is quite worrying, but with one stroke of a brush, that disappears, leaving your hair shiny, more clean feeling and less oily.

I deliberately left my hair unwashed on the second day to use this, and throughout the day I felt as though my hair still looked fine. It has a kind of lime fragrance to it, which helps.

Even if you're not festival-going this summer, I would say this is a handy item to possess, ideal for those rushed mornings when you just want to shake and go!

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Brocato big easy – £10.95

I HAVE to say the name of this product pretty much sums it up. It is easy to use, and it does make your hair quite big and voluminous!

At £10.95, it's not the cheapest dry shampoo on the market, but I feel it's worth the dosh. It smells divine, and absorbs oil and product build-up immediately.

The can states you can use a blow dryer to

remove any remaining power residue, but an added bonus was the blow-drying plumped up my locks and made my bounce look styled, probably even more so than if I had washed and blow dried it.

My only moan was that the first spray I received for review didn't work, so I had to request another. However, overall I was well impressed by this product.

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Trevor Sorbie Dry Shampoo – £5.10, available from Boots

THIS dry shampoo smelt really pleasant and was very easy to use. I sprayed it on the roots of my hair and then combed it with my fingers.

The shampoo created a bit of extra volume, which was an added bonus.

Don't get me wrong, using dry shampoo is nothing like the feeling of just washed hair. But if you've been out the night before, or at a festival, it's a good way to "refresh" your hair. For me, it was handy as an every second day tool. I refuse to wash and blow-dry my hair every day and normally the second day it's a little bit flat. I gave it a spray with this and it did smell and feel a little bit better.

However, if your hair is really greasy I wouldn't say this would completely solve the problem, I don't think there is any substitute for actually washing your hair.

Also, word of warning, don't spray on too much otherwise you'll be left with a powdery residue. But the price is really fair and I would say it's a must-have item for festival goers or campers alike.

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Klorane dry shampoo with oat milk, 150ml – RRP £7.50

THERE was little time to get myself ready for the day after feeding, washing and dressing two energetic toddlers, so out came the can of dry shampoo. Klorane to the rescue!

This aerosol spray is fresh and cooling and within a minute the oils in my hair were absorbed and I was left with a clean-looking "do" that actually styled up quite well.

Compared with some other dry shampoo brands I have tried in the past, this has no overpowering smell and the white powder residue rubs away easily.

It was a life-saver at a busy time and I would definitely use it again.

At first I thought Klorane was a bit pricey but on browsing the shelves for other similar products, it is about the going rate.

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