

## LOVE, LILY

She's acted with Hollywood's finest and nabbed a coveted role as the new face of Lancôme. But Lily **Collins** says she's still a tea-loving Brit at heart

ife's been good to Lily. Born into rock royalty -Dad is music legend Phil Collins – and raised in both England and LA, she exploded on to our screens with a pitch-perfect performance as Snow White in Mirror Mirror, opposite Julia Roberts. With her uber-porcelain skin, Audrey Hepburn brows and quirky charm, she's become a Lancôme ambassador at just 24.

We caught up with Lily to chat about everything from lippy to selfies. Turns

out this starlet is as goofy as she is gorgeous and loves nothing more than to gossip over a Cosmo and a cuppa...

How long does it take you to get ready for a big night?

"I listen to music and try to not get stressed. I usually give myself an hour and always plan my outfit in advance."

Do you have a favourite product to get you in the party mood? "Mascara, definitely. I'll do one coat during the day, then add two or three

more, just on the tips, for extra oomph. I'm obsessed with Lancôme Hypnose Star. It's like a sparkly accessory."

And what's the first thing you do when you get home?

"Take off the shoes - no, throw the shoes! I'm normally barefoot immediately. I always take my makeup off, no matter what the time. And hand cream, every night – I love waking up soft!"

You're great at rocking a bold lip. What's your secret?

"My lips are naturally very red. I actually used to dull them down: colour used to freak me out. But now I'm really good at applying lippy. The trick is to just do it, then tidy it up with a Q-tip. I'm a Kiehl's Lip Balm girl by day but at night I love a pop of colour."

Your weapon of choice? "Lancôme's Lip Lover is amazing. I've never really been a fan of gloss but this is more of a lipstick and not gloopy at all. I love shade 337; it goes with everything and it's so shiny."

What do you miss about the UK? "I grew up in the countryside so I miss the rolling hills, the greenery and how it's so quiet at night. I love just hearing the owls. Now I live in the heart of Hollywood so I normally hear tour buses or phones or cars."

Do you notice a different attitude to beauty in the two countries?

"There are extremes in California. It's either very beachy or you get that overly made-up, caked-on look. In Europe it seems a lot more casual, with maybe a fun lip colour. And the skin is kind of untouched. I really love that. I feel that guys like less; they like to see who you are. They don't notice all the little things we obsess over, such as spots."

What's big in LA right now? "Juicing is massive. It's all about 'clean' food. I've got a new Vitamix blender, which is very cool."

What were you like at school? "Kids used to make fun of my brows when I was young and I never knew why. So I decided to pluck them, but my mum lovingly told me off and I never touched them again. I started to look up to actresses who had very defined features and that helped me to embrace mine. We all

have insecurities but, with time, you learn to fit into your own body."

What is your first ever memory of Cosmo?

"When I was younger, I'd walk by the magazine stand thinking, 'I really want to get that because it looks so adult but I'm not sure if I'm allowed to.' Then I'd buy it and feel as if I was sneaking home this bible! I love the quizzes - I always do them with my girlfriends."

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## Beauty-gram Villy's world in pictures...



"This was the first time I met J-Lo and she asked me for a picture! She was so lovely. She said, 'It's great to finally meet you, I follow you on Instagram.' I couldn't believe it!"



This was taken at my home here in the UK (I moved to LA when I was six). I used to love singing along to karaoke versions of Disney songs



Diane (Kruger) and Jamie at the Stand Up To Cancer event. I love Diane so much - she always pulls

"These have got to be the best biscuits for dunking in

holding my sister's

1993. I was such a

blondie. I think I'm

ecent photo shoot and had a new haircut. I was against selfies for so long but, if you make them artsy, it's cool. It's all about the flare!'

This was at a

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