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FACE TIME

COFFEE TALK Bellus Academy Artistic Director Diego Raviglione at Bencotto

A Cut Above

As Bellus Academy's artistic director, **Diego Raviglione** is a master cutter and curator of style for the renowned beauty school in Poway. When he's not jetting across the country as a Wella top stylist, he's kicking back in his local Carmel Valley. We talk with Raviglione about trends, his doppelganger and stylish essentials he packs for the road.

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Beauty break? My mother was a hairdresser. But it wasn't until a trip to Italy when I was 15 and visited a salon, where they were playing electro music and serving drinks, that I thought, "I'd love to do this!" **Salons today?** Services are more sophisticated and diverse thanks to technology, from straightening systems to how extensions have evolved. **What's hot?** There's a dark trend in beauty, moving toward petroleum tones. Aggressive color is one of my favorites. **What's not?** The fascination with celebrity. It's robbing our industry of its creativity. God bless celebrities, but how their hair looks is not going to influence my inspiration. **Industry icons?** Vidal Sassoon, certainly. He established the idea of cutting. Now I look at people taking our industry to another level, like Stacey Broughton out in London. **Hairstyles to ban?** Ponytails on men, unless you're Karl Lagerfeld. On women, it's the combed-back style with a bump at the

crown. **Style signature?** I like accessories, as long as it's not overkill. I wear scarves and bracelets a lot; they tie everything together. I also mix denim, but no Canadian tuxedos! **Speaking of Canada...** I was born in Italy and moved to Canada when I was 5 years old. I actually became an American citizen in November. It was surprisingly emotional. **Best Italian in the city?** Bencotto is the only place in San Diego that understands what "al dente" means. And their deep-fried stuffed olives are so addictive. **Ideal S.D. day?** If my wife Holly and I aren't in Palm Springs for the weekend, then a session with my trainer Jay Hoehn at Armoné's Core Connection in the afternoon, then date night at Bleu Bohème, followed by dancing at Candelas. We like going to places where people dress up a little. **Your doppelganger?** I used to get Bono; now it's Dustin Hoffman. He's in his 70s, so I'm hoping one day somebody's going to say Bono again!

BIG PRIMING

Ready, Jet, Go

Diego Raviglione has his travel routine down to an art. Score the beauty pro's travel style, from tousled hair to wing-tip toe.

The Look

"Packing a pair of burgundy brogues is a must, because I can wear them with anything," says Raviglione, who also carries tailored burton-down shirts and a couple of scarves. "I usually wear a blazer or a leather shirt jacket by AllSaints—I think I own every one they've ever made!" (allsaints.com)

The Head Game

Give your hair edgy definition and hold with **Wella Rugged Fix** (wella.com). "I run it through my hair and rough it up a bit. After a shampoo, it's all I need."

The Shine

Achieve a sleek finish with **Sebastian Shine Crafter**, a moldable hair wax that lends a little shimmer (sebastianprofessional.com). "I use this for a dressier look," says Raviglione.



The Fixer

"This new line is my go-to for skincare," says Raviglione of **Organic Male** and its four-step regimen for every skin type (om4men.com). "Their **Phytonutrient Cellular Repair Serum** is fantastic for erasing jet lag and those puffy lines."

The Read

Brit music glossy **Q Magazine** is Raviglione's in-flight media must (qthemusic.com). "I always have a copy. I like the music and style features—and the dry British humor!"