

*“I’m Donna,
I’m 40... and
I’ve never worn
lipstick”*



...WHICH IS EVEN CRAZIER WHEN YOU CONSIDER BEAUTY DIRECTOR DONNA IS SURROUNDED BY IT. WE SENT HER ON A MISSION TO LEARN TO LOVE LIPPY

I'll admit it: the fact that any woman can get to my age and announce that she's never worn lipstick is unusual. But coming from someone who has worked in the beauty industry for nearly 20 years, it's an especially surprising confession. Yet it's true – the world of crayon-coloured stains and get-you-noticed glosses has only ever been reserved for the articles I write. You'd think that spending much of my time behind the scenes

on photo shoots would at least tempt me to try the abundance of alluring cosmetic candy. But no. Even when given the amazing opportunity of a one-to-one makeover by an A-list make-up artist, I persuaded her that a subtle swish of clear lipgloss (just one coat, please) would suffice!

I can trace my lipstick aversion back to school, where my nickname was 'rubber lips' – so, naturally, the last thing I wanted to do was bring attention to my mouth! As a teenager,