

Aditi Rao Hydari's Vintage-Romance Satin Saree

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Aditi Rao Hydari turned heads at a recent awards night in November with a Manish Malhotra creation that evokes the languid elegance of a bygone era. The actor chose a pale-gold satin silk saree, whose glossy, fluid drape exuded a liquid softness. However, it was the scalloped black lace border, accentuated by delicate pearlescent detailing, that truly brought an old-world charm to her look.

The saree's design reflects Malhotra's signature craftsmanship — rich, ornate, yet modern. Rather than overwhelming the outfit with embellishment, the lace border offers romantic contrast, while the pearl accents add a subtle shimmer. Thus to balance the softness of the saree, Hydari paired it with a black velvet blouse.

Accessories & Styling: Soft but Statement-Making

Hydari's accessories complemented the vintage-inspired drape with just the right amount of drama. She wore an emerald-and-polki choker along with coordinated earrings, and sculptural ear huggies wrapped high up on her ear. Her wrist was adorned with a stack of mixed bangles varying in color, texture, and width, striking a delicate balance between opulence and restraint.

Glamour with Subtlety: Makeup and Hair

For makeup, Aditi opted for a soft, luminous look: a dewy base, highlighted cheekbones, and a nude lipstick that kept her glow natural. Her hair, styled with care, echoed the retro charm of her outfit. Together, the look felt graceful and timeless — reminiscent of early 20th-century boudoir glamour.

Why This Look Matters

More than just a red carpet moment, Hydari's satin-and-lace saree makes a strong case for a broader trend: the revival of romantic textures in Indian occasion wear. Vogue notes that her look channels the same tactile codes that have recently surfaced on global runways. Therefore designers like The Row, Prada, and Dries Van Noten have leaned into lace trims and fluid silhouettes.

Moreover, this ensemble is versatile. As Vogue points out, it can easily transition from a glamorous cocktail evening to a daytime wedding ceremony.

Aditi's Signature Style, Reimagined

Hydari has always leaned toward soft, romantic saris, but this Manish Malhotra drape adds a fresh layer to her aesthetic. One that merges nostalgia with modernity. It's proof that even a sari, a classic piece in her wardrobe, can reinvent itself and still remain timeless.

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