Wear Increases Beauty of Pearls

A string of pearls is a prized possession of many women. To keep them glistening and gleaming, here are some suggestions from the Imperial Pearl Syndicate.

Since the warmth of the human body enhances the luster of pearls, wear your pearls as often as possible. Do not lock them up in a jewel box without air for long periods of time. Since only necklaces and bracelets touch the wearer's skin, pearls placed in rings and pins should be rubbed briskly over the palm of the hand at least once a week.

When wearing perfume, put it on before placing the necklace around your neck. The alcoholic content of perfume while in the liquid state is harmful to delicate pearl surfaces. Occasionally pearls may be wiped gently with a damp cloth, but the syndicate advises against immersion in water or chemical solutions of any kind. Pearls should be restrung at least once a year, according to the experts.

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