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Height: 5' 3" Bust: 34" Waist: 32" Hips: 40" Shoes: 5 Dress: 16 Hair: Red Eyes: Green



**The colour was for a panto role – but I loved it**

*ACTRESS Avril Gaynor, 73, lives in South London and has two grown-up daughters. She says:*

**BECAUSE** I've had the same hairstyle since my 20s, you may think I'd put a lot of thought into it. But I decided on my short, red look because of a quirk of fate.

When I was a child, my hair had a natural bounce and was mossy in colour. My mother worked as a model for L'Oréal, and after my face was badly injured in a car accident at 18, one of her stylists suggested going blonde might help my confidence. So blonde I went.

I learnt how to make the most of my hair, make-up, clothes and accessories, wearing larger earrings to steer attention away from my scars.

In my early 20s, I appeared as a princess in pantomime and my costume included a red wig. But one night it flew off on stage, revealing my blonde curls.

The next day I went to a salon and had my hair coloured red, lest it should hap-



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pen again. To my surprise, everyone said it suited me. I loved it, too – and have kept that colour and style ever since. I'm a creature of habit and have been going to the same male stylist, Jean-



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marie, at Vidal Sassoon in Covent Garden, very six weeks since 1991. I was one of the first people through the salon's doors when it reopened in early July. He is terribly complimentary about



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my hair and never tries to persuade me to do anything different.

However, these days I colour my hair at home, as DIY products have come a long way and are so easy to use.

**THE SAME  
50 YEARS**

**Most women have 150 different styles in a lifetime. But for some, one look's enough for ever**

