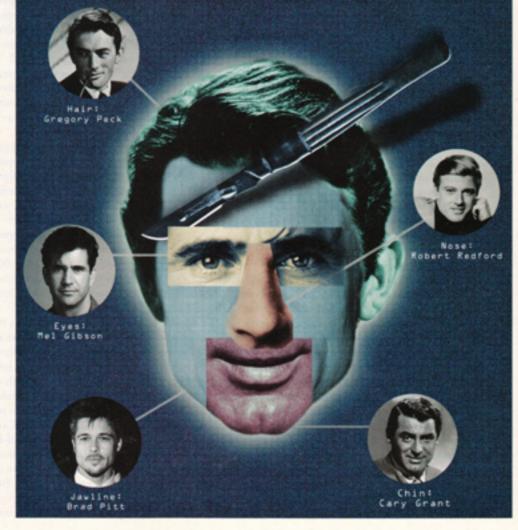


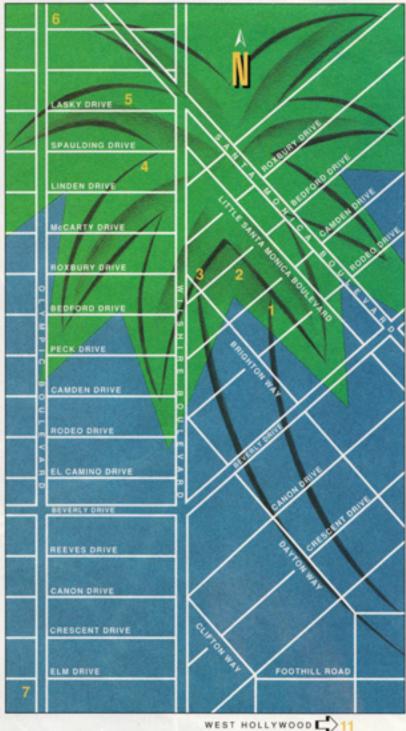
How to Like Cary Grant Or parts of them, anyway. If you have the cash, the plastic surgeons of Los Angeles have the skills BY OWEN EDWARDS HOW LIKE BY OKEN EDWARDS BY OKEN EDWARDS

IN THE LATEST film by Pedro Almodóvar, All About My Mother, one of the characters proudly reels off a dollar-by-dollar (or peso-bypeso) account of her cosmeticsurgery renovations. This is a delicious case of art imitating life imitating art. Here's a movie star playing a civilian who's spending a lot of money to look like a movie star. In real life, just about every man harbors a longing to look like somebody on the big screen. Not just any actor, of course. We want to look like the gods and demigods-the legends, like Cary Grant, Gregory Peck and James Dean, or stars currently brighter in our psychic firmament, such as Harrison Ford, Tom Cruise and GQ's recent cover boy, Matt Damon.

Because our impressions accumulate over many years and many movies, we end up with a composite dream image made up of the best parts of our very best looking subspecies. This laundry list of longing, spanning the generations, might include Cary Grant's cleft chin, Tom Cruise's firm jawline, Gregory Peck's hairline, Yul Brynner's cheekbones (do not get these last two mixed up), Kevin Costner's noble nose and choice bits of Brad Pitt's torso, as prepped and pumped for Fight Club. So with that \$20,000 annuity left to



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With their help, we've discovered that just as celebrities patronize the same small circle of designers and jewelers, for surgical tinkering, they rely on maybe 30 or fewer doctors. In Beverly Hills, those maestros include Mayer and his partner, Richard Fleming, M.D., who are known, gushes one insider, for doing the best brow-lifts.

Then there is Richard Ellenbogen, M.D. He has done so many celebrities-Sally Kirkland, General Hospital star Jackie Zeaman and the late Lana Turner, to name a fewthat the awe their patronage may have initially inspired seems to have dissipated. In fact, the West Hollywood-based surgeon claims to turn away those whom he fears will be too arrogant to obey his orders. In nearby Santa Monica is Steven Hoefflin, M.D., a surgeon who, like Grossman, has been plugged by one of the celebs he has overhauled. His patients have included Joan Rivers (who promoted him and his handiwork on television when she unveiled her second face-lift), Elizabeth Taylor (who went to him for her second facelift and subsequently invited him to her last wedding), Ivana Trump and Michael Jackson (whose remake is believed to have been tailored to his own tastes, not the doctor's).

In New York City, the cream of the crop includes Daniel Baker, M.D., who has a large following among the "Ladies Who Lunch." ("He's so wonderful!" exclaims socialite Nan Kempner. "His face-lifts last and last.") After her first surgeon retired, Barbara Walters also found her way to Baker's well-appointed Park Avenue office-for what was reportedly her third face-lift. It was Sherrell Aston, M.D., Baker's neighbor to the north, who performed what friends describe as "the best face-lift in the entire world" on Pamela Harriman, the American ambassador to France. And a few blocks away, at his townhouse clinic, is Gerald Imber, M.D., CONTINUED ON PAGE 70

WHO DOES WHO IN HOLLYWOOD

- 1. Michael Churukian, M.D., and Alfred Cohen, M.D.
- Robert Kotler, M.D. (an ace chemical peeler);
 and, right next door, Richard Fleming, M.D., and Toby Mayer, M.D.
 (where Bo Derek and Shadow Stevens have been seen)
- Garth Fisher, M.D., and Harry Glassman, M.D. (husband of actress Victoria Principal, who appears to have taken advantage of some surgeon's services over the years)
- The Lasky Clinic: Frank Kamer, M.D. (credited by Dolly Parton for some facial work); Lawrence Lefkoff, M.D.

- 7. The Hidden Garden (where the rich and famous convalesce)
- Steven Hoefflin, M.D. (whose patients include Elizabeth Taylor, Joan Rivers, Michael and Janet Jackson, Nancy Sinatra, Sylvester Stallone and Ivana Trump)
- Bernard Markowitz, M.D.; Timothy Miller, M.D.;
 Lawrence Seifert, M.D. (Roseann's surgeon, and in whose waiting room Tom Jones was spotted)
- Richard Ellenbogen, M.D. (surgeon to the late Lana Turner, soap star Jackie Zeaman and Sally Kirkland whose eye job was broadcast on CNN)