

Falgun shenanigans

'Boshonto' – when nature reboots! New leaves start to sprout on every branch of every tree, and gentle flowers which shied away from the dreary winter chills peak out and begin to bloom in a riot of colours.

Keeping the viridity and vibrancy of Falgun in mind, you can be nature's belle for the occasion, to celebrate her rejuvenation, by wearing all those colours in your jewellery made of fresh flowers and even leaves.

A delicate garland of jasmines or small marigolds would go perfectly with a simple twisted messy bun, while you can pin up a freshly picked red rose and put it behind your ear if you go for a free hair look.

Floral body embellishments are equally important and you can sport a string of flowers on your wrist like a bracelet to amplify your Boshonto attire.

While you will definitely be trying to stand out in your look, even in your resolution to keep it

professional, do not overwork on your most important feature – eyes.

It is best to avoid flashy shades of golden, green or red for eyeshadow; neutral colours like beige and other pastel shades are definitely recommended. Outline the perfect wings on your eyelids and go for a prominent hint of kohl to define your eyes.

Bold colours like magenta, crimson and wine red are best suited for the lips to truly complement your Falgun look.

If you are not too comfortable pulling off such bright shades, you can always tone it down and resort to coral and pinkish shades to stay more confident in your style. Accentuate your nose and upper end of cheekbones with an appropriate shade of highlighter to complete your perfect office look for Falgun.

Floral ornaments can be bought and customised from any next-door flower shop. You can also find a range of exquisite oxidised silver ornaments at Aatpourey: [facebook.com/a8pourey](https://www.facebook.com/a8pourey)

Ethnic clay, copper and silver jewellery are sold at Jatra and Idea Crafts: [facebook.com/JatraWorld](https://www.facebook.com/JatraWorld)

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VALENTINE GIFT IDEAS AT AARONG

Action speaks louder than words. So why not express your love for your significant other by finding the perfect gift for the occasion? We all know the daunting task of finding that one perfect gift given the amount of choices we have at this age and time. A gift should not be measured in terms of how much it costs or how exquisite it is, but rather on the thought that went behind the said gift. Although nothing says "I love you" more than a handmade gift, it is not always a viable option for most people. To make matters simpler for you in this season of love, Aarong provides a line of Valentine themed gift options.

PERSONALITY

Before you decide what to buy, you have to think what kind of gifts your significant other prefers. Every individual has distinctive tastes and personality and finding a gift that reflects their personality is not as hard as one might think. For someone who likes to stay indoors, home décor items are the best choice, be it a drape or a wall hanging such as the Nakshi Kantha tapestries available at Aarong. For someone who likes to be out and about, maybe a nice shawl or a set of casual jewellery that goes with most

outfits. Aarong has an exclusive range of home décor that is definitely worth checking out. You can even surprise your loved one by shopping for gifts online at [aarong.com](https://www.aarong.com) and have them delivered to their doorstep.



NEEDS

There are people who prefer gifts that meet necessities rather than a token that serves no utility. For someone who likes jewellery and owns a lot of it, a nice hand crafted jewellery box can make an excellent gift. Whereas for someone who reads, maybe a nice book sleeve or bookmark or a rare copy of a famous novel that you are sure they will absolutely love. For everything else, there is always a need for storage space on the go, thus making handbags and purses excellent options too, which can be easily picked from a range of valentine gift options in the 'Gifts for her' section at [aarong.com](https://www.aarong.com)

BUDGET

Not everyone has the same wallet size which makes your budget one of the primary concerns. Although ornate jewellery can set you back a lot, casual jewellery are always easy to find. Aarong is always updating their jewellery collection. You can find something from there that reflects your partner's personality but doesn't break your bank. In fact a brass heart locket can be found at Aarong for under BDT 500. Apart from that, you can also opt for scented candles or scarves for every occasion.

