

Plastic surgery secret behind NICOLE RICHIE'S sexy new look



THERE's a secret to Nicole Richie's healthier new look — "The Simple Life" star simply underwent breast augmentation to round out her stick-thin figure.

"Nicole has worked hard to put on some weight, but she also got breast implants from a Beverly Hills plastic surgeon about six weeks ago," a source close to the actress told The ENQUIRER.

"The effect has been amazing. She looks great and feels great. And her new boobs have given her more confidence than she's ever had before."

The troubled wild child, who has been under medical treatment to add pounds to her 5-foot-2 frame, has been the subject of eating disorder speculation for the past

two years. But in the last few weeks, she's emerged looking healthier and rounder than she has in years.

Not only has The ENQUIRER confirmed Nicole's breast augmentation with a well-placed source, but a leading doctor who examined photos of her agrees there is no doubt what's behind Nicole's sudden growth spurt.

"Nicole has gained a little weight, five pounds at the most — but her breasts have increased from AA to B, which is out of proportion to her relatively small weight gain," Detroit-based plastic surgeon Dr. Anthony Youn told The ENQUIRER.

"When women gain weight, their breasts can get larger — but not that much larger with such a small weight gain."

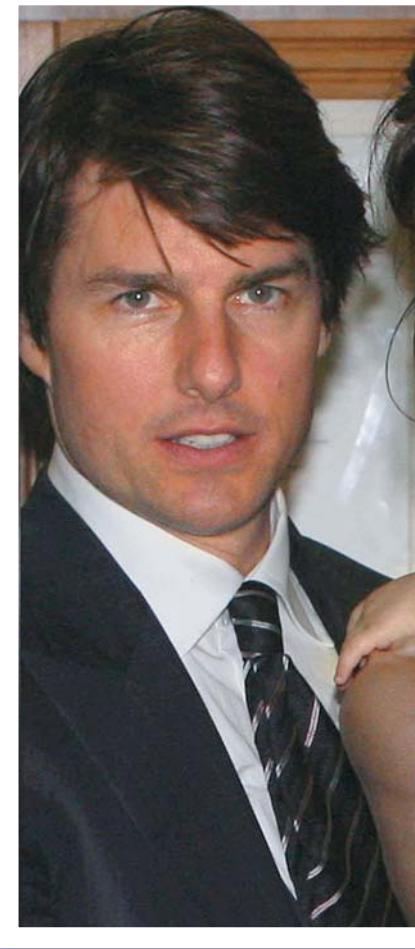
Dr. Youn — who has not treated Nicole — explained that as a woman ages, breast tissue naturally decreases and is replaced by fat. But that wouldn't affect 25-year-old Nicole.

"For someone as young as Nicole, a weight gain will have less effect on their size. It's most likely she's had a small breast augmentation, and it's a nice job because it matches her body well."

"That's why looking at Nicole, your first thought isn't that she's had a boob job. Her breasts are perfectly in proportion to her body — unlike other celebrities who have been over-augmented."

"She looks fabulous — and whoever performed the surgery did a wonderful job."

by ROBIN MIZRAHI



THE HONEYMOON is over for Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes! The newlyweds began married life with a new battle over religion, insiders reveal.

With no Roman Catholic priest on hand to bless the couple's nuptials, friends believe that 27-year-old Katie fretted that her lavish \$5 million Italian wedding had been hijacked by Tom's inner circle of Scientology pals.

And pals say that the former "Dawson's Creek" beauty flipped out when she heard Tom's best man, Scientology leader David Miscavige, was coming along on their honeymoon. Tom later relented, and Miscavige stayed behind.

"KATIE LOVES TOM and wanted nothing more than to be his wife," said a family friend. "But she wants to feel that she's more important to him than Scientology."

Katie was raised as a devout Catholic and her family has been

