

KYPHI BOTANICAL SKINCARE GLOSSARY

ALMOND (SWEET) OIL

prunus dulcius oil

Used in: Intensive Night Cream

An emollient oil extracted from the kernel of the almond tree (Prunus Amygdalus Dulcis) that helps to soften, smooth and lubricate the skin.

ALOE VERA EXTRACT

aloe barbadensis extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Recovery Gel / Radiant Eye Cream

Extracted from the succulent plant, this botanical acts as a gentle moisturiser and skin hydrator helping to refresh the skin

BAOBAB OIL

adansonia digitata oil

Used in: Replenishing Balm

Rich in essential Omega fatty acids and antioxidants, the oil extracted from the seeds of the African Baobab tree delivers luxurious emollience to the skin.

BEARBERRY EXTRACT

arctostaphylos uva ursi extract

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream

This highly effective plant-based active promotes a more even skin tone and radiant complexion around the eye area.

BEESWAX

Used in: Replenishing Balm

A natural wax that helps to thicken and provide structure whilst also aiding in the smooth application of the balm.

BENZYL ALCOHOL

Used in: Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

A nature identical preservative ingredient that prevents microbial and bacterial contamination of products.

BERGAMOT ESSENTIAL OIL

citrus bergamia oil

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

An essential oil with a sunny disposition that uplifts and refreshes. Extracted from the skin of the fruit of the Bergamot tree by cold pressing.

BUTYLENE GLYCOL

Used in: Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Recovery Gel A humectant that helps to moisturise skin and hair.

CALCIUM PANTOTHENATE

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

The calcium derivative of Pantothenic Acid (Vitamin B5) that helps to condition skin and hair.

CAMELLIA OIL

camellia olifera oil

Used in: Precious Facial Oil

Extracted from the seeds of the Camellia Olifera plant, this emollient oil is rich in essential fatty acids and helps to improve moisture retention and improve skin texture and elasticity.

CAPRYLIC/CAPRIC TRIGLYCERIDES

Used in: Purifying Facial Cleanser / Precious Facial Oil

An emollient derived from coconut oil that moisturises and helps to reduce moisture loss from the skin.

CARAMEL

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream
A natural colourant derived from heating edible sugar.

CARBOMER

Used in: Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

A polymer used to create a gel consistency in products and also assist in keeping emulsions from separating into their oil and liquid components.

CARROT ROOT EXTRACT

daucus carota extract

Used in: Intensive Night Cream

Extracted from the roots of the carrot plant this botanical is rich in β -carotene and helps to keep the skin soft and elastic.

CEDARWOOD ESSENTIAL OIL

cedrus atlantica oil

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

An essential oil with warm and woody aroma, extracted from the wood and sawdust of the Atlas Cedar tree using steam distillation.

CETEARYL ALCOHOL

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser

A blend of the naturally derived fatty alcohols (cetyl alcohol and stearyl alcohol) that act as an emollient helping the skin to feel softer. It helps to thicken and stabilise products and stop it separating into its oil and water components.

CETEARYL GLUCOSIDE

Used in: Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

An emulsifier used to bring oil and water components together in a product. It is manufactured from fatty alcohols and glucose from natural and renewable sources.

CHAMOMILE EXTRACT

matricaria recutita extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Recovery Gel

Well known for its soothing and anti-inflammatory properties, this soothing extract is excellent in caring for dry or irritated skins.

COCO-CAPRYLATE/CAPRATE

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

An emollient derived from coconut oil that helps to soften, smooth and lubricate the skin.

COCOGLYCERIDES

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

A modified coconut oil that acts as an emollient to soften smooth and lubricate the skin.

COLTSFOOT EXTRACT

tussilago farfara extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

This skin conditioning botanical extracted from the Coltsfoot plant contains antioxidants that help to make the skin look younger.

CYCLODEXTRIN

Used in: Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

A polysaccharide that is produced from starch used for its odour absorption capabilities and ability in stabilising fragrances.

CYCLOMETHICONE

Used in: Recovery Gel

A skin conditioning emollient derived from silica (sand) to provide slip and a silky feel to the skin.

DEHYDROACETIC ACID

Used in: Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

A preservative ingredient that prevents microbial and bacterial contamination of products.

DICAPRYLYL ETHER

Used in: Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

An emollient derived from natural sources that help to soften, smooth and lubricate the skin.

DIMETHICONE

Used in: Purifying Facial Cleanser

A skin conditioning emollient derived from silica (sand) to help soften, smooth and lubricate the skin and reduce moisture loss.

DIMETHICONOL

Used in: Recovery Gel

A skin conditioning emollient derived from silica (sand) to help soften, smooth and lubricate the skin.

ETHOXYDIGLYCOL

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

A solvent for botanical extracts.

ETHYL ALCOHOL

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

Also known as ethanol, this naturally derived alcohol is used as a solvent for botanical extracts.

GLYCERIN

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Refreshing Facial Toner / Recovery Gel

A naturally derived humectant that helps to moisturise and slow the loss of moisture from the skin.

GLYCERYL STEARATE

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser A naturally derived emulsifier used to bring oil and water components together in a product.

GLUCOSE

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

A naturally derived sugar that acts as a humectant and skin conditioner.

GRAPE EXTRACT

vitis vinifera seed extract

Used in: Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream

These potent anti-oxidant botanical extracts reduce environmental skin stresses and promote the appearance of younger looking skin.

GREEN TEA EXTRACT

camelia sinensis leaf extract

Used in: Recovery Gel / Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream

This botanical leaf extract is a potent anti-oxidant and reduces environmental skin stresses and promotes the appearance of younger looking skin.

HORSETAIL EXTRACT

equisetum arvense extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

This astringent botanical extract is rich in silica and helps to improve skin elasticity and texture.

INOSITOL

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

A major component of Lecithin used as a humectant that helps to moisturise and slow the loss of moisture from the skin.

ISOPROPYL MYRISTATE

Used in: Purifying Facial Cleanser

An emollient derived from naturally occurring fatty acids that helps to soften, smooth and lubricate the skin.

JOJOBA OIL

simmondsia chinensis seed oil

Used in: Purifying Facial Cleanser / Precious Facial Oil / Intensive Night Cream

This remarkable non-greasy skin moisturiser, extracted from the seed kernels of the desert shrub (Simmondsia chinensis) helps to soften, smooth and lubricate the skin.

LACTIC ACID

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

A naturally occurring alpha hydroxyl acid (AHA) used to adjust the pH of products.

LEMON ESSENTIAL OIL

citrus limonum oil

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

An uplifting and refreshing essential oil extracted from the outer peel layer of the fruit of the Citrus Limonum tree by cold pressing.

LEMONGRASS ESSENTIAL OIL

cymbopogon schoenanthus oil

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

An essential oil with an intense radiant aroma, extracted from the fresh and partly dried leaves of the Lemongrass plant using steam distillation.

LIME ESSENTIAL OIL

citrus aurantifolia oil

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

An essential oil with an energising and reviving aroma that is extracted from the outer peel layer of the fruit of the Key Lime tree by cold pressing.

MANDARIN ESSENTIAL OIL

citrus nobilis oil

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

An essential oil extracted from the fruit of Citrus Nobilis (aka Citrus Reticulata) tree.

MANGO BUTTER

mangifera indica butter

Used in: Replenishing Balm

Extracted from the fruit kernels of the Mango tree this emollient butter moisturises and protects dry skin and lips.

MARULA OIL

sclerocarya birrea seed oil

Used in: Precious Facial Oil

Rich in antioxidants and Omega-9 fatty acids, the skin conditioning oil extracted from the kernels of the African Marula tree is very beneficial for dry skin and helps to maintain the skin's moisture barrier.

MENTHOL

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner

The main component of peppermint oil used to provide a refreshing feeling

NETTLE EXTRACT

urtica diolca extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

Extracted from the common nettle plant, this extract has astringent properties in skin care and is also beneficial for hair care.

OLUS OIL

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

A blend of natural triglycerides extracted from rapeseed (Canola) with excellent emollient properties to help soften, smooth and lubricate the skin.

PALMAROSA ESSENTIAL OIL

cymbopogon martini oil

Used in: Nourishing Day Cream / Replenishing Balm / Precious Facial Oil

An essential oil with an uplifting sweet floral aroma, extracted from Palmarosa grass by steam distillation.

PANAX GINSENG EXTRACT

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream

Extracted from the Chinese Ginseng plant this botanical extract helps to condition and smooth the skin.

PANTHENOL

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Recovery Gel

An emollient and humectant, that acts as a lubricant on the skin surface giving a soft and smooth appearance. It also enhances the appearance and feel of damaged hair. Also known as Provitamin B5

PASSIONFLOWER SEED OIL

passiflora incarnata seed oil

Used in: Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream

This exotic plant derived emollient is rich in essential Omega-6 fatty acids that are important to the barrier function of the skin, giving skin a rich pampered quality.

PEA POLYPEPTIDES

pisum sativum extract

Used in: Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream

Extracted from the humble Garden Pea (Pisum sativum L.) this botanical active promotes skin firmness and elasticity.

PEG-60 ALMOND GLYCERIDES

Used in: Purifying Facial Cleanser

A gentle purifying cleanser and skin conditioner, derived from almond oil that lifts away dirt and grime and leaves skin fresh and clean.

PEPPERMINT ESSENTIAL OIL

mentha piperita oil

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner

An essential oil with a refreshing and invigorating minty aroma, extracted from the peppermint herb just before flowering.

PETITGRAIN ESSENTIAL OIL

citrus aurantium oil

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel An essential oil with an uplifting and revitalising aroma, extracted from the leaves of the Citrus Aurantium tree.

PHENOXYETHANOL

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel A gentle preservative ingredient that prevents microbial and bacterial contamination of products.

POLYGYCERYL-3 BEESWAX

Used in: Replenishing Balm

A modified beeswax that helps to thicken and provide structure whilst also aiding in the smooth application of the balm.

POLYSORBATE 20

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Recovery Gel

A solubilising agent derived from fatty acids (coconut) and sorbitol (corn).

POMEGRANATE EXTRACT

punica granatum extract

Used in: Nourishing Day Cream / Intensive Night Cream

The extract of this Middle Eastern superfood is a potent anti-oxidant, helping to reduce the appearance of age lines and wrinkles and protect the skin from environmental stresses.

POTASSIUM SORBATE

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel A preservative ingredient that prevents microbial and bacterial contamination of products.

PRICKLY PEAR SEED OIL

opuntia ficus-indica seed oil

Used in: Precious Facial Oil

The quick absorbing oil extracted from the seeds of the Prickly Pear cactus, is rich in essential fatty acids and antioxidants and is ideal for dry, mature skin types and helps to moisturises, soften and restore elasticity to the skin.

PROPANEDIOL

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

A humectant and solvent that helps to moisturise skin and hair.

RETINYL (VITAMIN A) PALMITATE

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream

An antioxidant that helps to enhance the appearance of dry or damaged skin and restore suppleness.

ROSEHIP OIL

rosa canina oil

Used in: Precious Facial Oil

Extracted from Rosa Canina this emollient oil is rich in omega essential fatty acids and helps to moisturise and condition dry skin.

ROSEMARY EXTRACT

rosmarinus officinalis extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

Rich in anti-oxidants, this extract promotes the appearance of younger looking skin.

SAGE EXTRACT

salvia officinalis extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

Extracted from the common sage herb, native to southern Europe and the Mediterranean region, this botanical extract has astringent properties in skin care.

SHEA BUTTER

butyrospermum parkii butter

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream/Purifying Facial Cleanser / Intensive Night Cream

This nourishing butter extracted from the nut of the African Karite tree offers rich emollience, skin conditioning properties and enriches the texture of the skin.

SHEA OIL

butyrospermum parkii oil

Used in: Replenishing Balm

This nourishing oil extracted from the nut of the African Karite tree, offers rich emollient properties and helps improve skin elasticity.

SILICA

Used in: Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

A mineral used as an absorbent and anti-caking agent in powdered plant extracts.

SODIUM BENZOATE

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

A preservative ingredient that prevents microbial and bacterial contamination of products.

SODIUM STEAROYL GLUTAMATE

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

A plant derived emulsifier used to bring oil and water components together in a product.

SOYBEAN OIL

glycine soja oil

Used in: Intensive Night Cream

An emollient oil extracted from soybeans used to help soften, smooth and lubricate the skin.

SQUALANE (OLIVE)

Used in: Precious Facial Oil / Purifying Facial Cleanser

Derived from olives this botanical lipid helps to soften and moisturise the skin. It offers gentle non-greasy emollient properties and is helpful for improving the appearance and feel of dry skin and helping to restore the skin's suppleness.

SUNFLOWER OIL

helianthus annuus oil

Used in: Precious Facial Oil

Rich in omega fatty acids this emollient oil extracted from the seeds of sunflowers is excellent for dry skin.

TARTARIC ACID

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

A pH modifier that occurs in many fruits that is used to adjust the pH of products.

TOCOPHEROL (VITAMIN E) ACETATE

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Replenishing Balm / Precious Facial Oil

A powerful antioxidant that also has skin and hair benefits.

TRIETHANOLAMINE

Used in: Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

A pH modifier that is used to adjust the pH of products.

WATER

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream / Purifying Facial Cleanser / Recovery Gel

A solvent used in to dissolve some of the ingredients that impart skin benefits, such as skin conditioning agents, botanical extracts and cleansers. Purified to remove components that could interfere with product stability.

WHITE BIRCH EXTRACT

betula alba extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

Extract derived from the White Birch plant, this extract contains potent antioxidants and also acts as a natural astringent.

WITCH HAZEL

hamamelis virginiana extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

Extracted from the Witch Hazel shrub, this botanical extract offers gentle astringent properties to the skin and helps to enhance the appearance of dry or damaged skin.

XANTHAN GUM

Used in: Radiant Eye Cream / Intensive Night Cream / Nourishing Day Cream

A naturally derived (corn/glucose) thickening agent that helps to increase the viscosity of the product.

YARROW EXTRACT

achillea millefolium extract

Used in: Refreshing Facial Toner / Radiant Eye Cream

Extracted from the perennial herb known as Yarrow this botanical extract helps to enhance the appearance of dry or damaged skin and restoring suppleness.