

BEAUTY



DOUBLE TAP

These disposable discs from Luminess are like blotting papers on steroids. Use one side to soak up shine without messing up your makeup (the patentpending spongy material absorbs seven times its weight in oil), then flip it over and dab on the imperfectionblurring powder to mattify and set your look. —Jennifer Goldstein



The Ritual

ISLAND TREASURE

For centuries, Haitian women have used lwil maskriti (black castor oil) as a beauty treatment. "When I was younger, my mother would put castor oil on my dry skin and hair to condition and soften them," says Yve-Car Momperousse, the Haitian-American founder of Krevòl Essence. The oil, rich in vitamin E and fatty acids, is readily available at beauty-supply stores, but most versions have chemical additives. Kreyòl Essence sources a pure form from Haiti, where it's cultivated using traditional methods. "Our farmers are paid fair wages, and we employ women to extract the oil from the castor beans," says Momperousse. "Poverty is an issue in Haiti, and 40 percent of households are run by women. They don't want charity; they want to earn money and care for their families the way we all do." -J.G.

KREYÒL ESSENCE Pomad Kreyòl, \$15.



WANTY FILES

THE LATEST IN MAKEUP. SKINCARE, AND FRAGRANCE

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NEW TWISTS

The latest lipstick bullets are anything but basic. Clarins inserted a brighter, complementary hue in the center of its new lipstick, so the shade goes on with a contoured effect that makes lips look fuller. Makeup artist Tom Pecheux designed the slim, squared-off shape

of YSL's new color to make it easier to get a sharp edge to your lip line, especially around your Cupid's bow. And the wavy tip of Clé de Peau's new design may not have practical implications, but it does deliver long-wearing matte color in one literal swoop. -J.G.

1. CLARINS Jolie Rouge Gradation in 801, \$30. 2. YSL BEAUTÉ Rouge Pur Couture the Slim Lipstick in Fuchsia Excentrique, \$39. 3. CLÉ DE PEAU BEAUTÉ Lipstick Cashmere in Entrapment, \$65

BEAUTY PASSPORT

PERFUMER SHARES THE INSPIRATION FOR HER NEW SCENT AND THE PLACES AND PRODUCTS SHE CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT



JOURNEY TO CREATION:

"Cartier Carat [right] is inspired by how diamonds diffuse light into a rainbow. It's a white-floral scent that features seven differently colored flowers: hyacinth, iris, violet, tulip, ylang-ylang, daffodil, and honeysuckle. The finished juice is sparkling, playful, and lively.

INTERNATIONAL FINDS:

"I often look to teas, food, and plants for unexpected scents. Once, I was in Guadalupe and smelled a green lemon right off the tree. It surprised me because it wasn't a strong citrus smell; it was more subtle. I used it in Cartier's VI L'Heure Brillante."

VACATION SPOT: "I have Corsican origins and always go back to the island. It still feels wild and is so different than continental France and Paris, where I live."

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TASKER: "I'm amazed by how many uses there are for Davines Authentic Moisturizing Balm [\$27]. It's a leave-in conditioner and a skin lotion, and I even use it as a makeup remover."

IN HER CARRY-ON:

"Erborian BB Crème au Ginseng [\$39] is wonderful as a foundation, plus it comes in an easy travel size." —Alexandra Engler

CARTIER Carat, \$145.