

LUXURY SPA FINDER

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Cream-free skin care
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NATURAL > SELECTION

Ren means "clean" in Swedish, a reference to the company's stance on natural ingredients. This product's hydrating hyaluronic acid comes from corn, and its fast firming effect is thanks to argan-fruit extract. Ren Phyto-Dynamic Instant Lifting Gel, US\$40 for 1.7 oz., www.renskincare.com

▲ ALOE TO GO

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▲ POPULAR SCIENCE

Amore Pacific's newest anti-aging item feels lightweight but contains the heavy hitters found in its rich creams: nanotechnology and free-radical-fighting ECGC, the most potent antioxidant in green tea. Amore Pacific Time Response Skin Renewal Gel Creme, US\$400 for 1.7 oz., www.neimanmarcus.com

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< DON'T SWEAT IT

To help skin adapt to hot climates, Clarins uses katafray-tree-bark extract from Madagascar. Company studies show it encourages skin-hydration mechanisms, so for oily skin types, less is more. Clarins HydraQuench Cooling Cream-Gel, US\$48 for 1.7 oz., us.clarins.com

< MARINE BIOLOGY

This moisturizer's matte look makes it a cult favorite. The ingredients, marine collagen, squalane, and hyaluronic acid, approximate the skin's natural moisturizers, so it's barely detectable when applied. Dr.Ci:Labo Aqua Collagen-Gel, US\$36 for 1.75 oz., www.beautyhabit.com

