

SKIN CARE



Acne

CLEAR THE AIR

From deep pore cleansers to sebum regulators, these products can help make pimples a thing of the past.

Rodan & Fields Unblemish Oil Absorb Blot Papers

Get to the source of the problem with these oil-blotting sheets that contain exclusive Zincidone, formulated to reduce sebum production with continued use. (\$19; select Macys & Nordstrom, rodanandfields.com)

Leaf & Rusher Acne Serum TX

For a different way to zap zits, this employs licorice to shrink spots, algae to reduce redness, avocado extract to control oil and soy isoflavones to control the hormonally induced breakouts common in adult skin. (\$38; Bath & Body Works, Saks)

Kanebo Sensai Silky Purifying Mud Soap

To be used as a cleanser or mask, this clarifying treatment removes all makeup, dirt and oil from skin's surface and clears out pores, while effectively absorbing sebum. (\$50; kanebo-international.com)

Acne Recovery Repair Lotion

Choose the desired concentration of salicylic acid—0.5 to 2 percent—to customize the rate of cell turnover from day to day, without overdoing it. Added natural extracts provide soothing and calming benefits. (\$99 for 3-part system; acnerecovery.com)

Dermadoctor Ain't Misbehavin' Medicated Acne Control Serum

Use all over, or dab onto outbreaks; salicylic acid unclogs pores, tea tree oil disinfects, white tea lessens redness. (\$45; dermadoctor.com)

Patricia Wexler M.D. Dermatology Anti-Aging Acne Serum with Acnostat

Combat aging and acne with one product: Salicylic acid de-clogs pores and reduces the appearance of lines, while patented MMPi20 technology helps reduce redness and boost collagen and elastin production. (\$55; Bath & Body Works)

Neutrogena Oil-Free Acne Stress Control 3-in-1 Hydrating Acne Treatment

Fewer breakouts equal less stress. This employs 2 percent salicylic acid to unclog pores and remove surface debris, without the red, dry and flaky effects common with antipimple products. (\$6.99; mass retailers)

Masks & Peels

TARGET PRACTICE

Nothing helps restore vim and vigor to winter-ravaged skin like a good buff and polish.

- 01 Guerlain Secret de Pureté Gentle Polishing Exfoliator** Gently removes all traces of surface debris and makeup for an instantly radiant look; smaller pores and less visible lines are side effects of continued use. (\$50; Guerlain counters)
- 02 Dermadoctor Physical Chemistry** Employs both chemical and physical exfoliators—a multiacid formula increases cell turnover and lightens pigmentation, while nonabrasive synthetic beads prevent over-scrubbing. Bonus: Green tea neutralizes redness. (\$75; dermadoctor.com)
- 03 Sundari Firming Gotu Kola and Indian Asparagus Mask with Anti-oxidant Booster** A cooling gel made with gotu kola to firm and promote fibroblast formation, asparagus to bring down inflammation and sea algae to moisturize. (\$85; skinstore.com)
- 04 DDF Ultra-Lite Peel** It doesn't have to burn to be effective: This exfoliating treatment—made with sloughing salicylic acid and soothing chamomile—reveals glowing skin without irritation, and is gentle enough for sensitive skin. (\$40; Sephora)
- 05 Yves Saint Laurent Expert Line Eraser Kit** Step one: A 4 percent glycolic acid mask for gentle yet effective exfoliation. Step two: A pen applicator delivers hyaluronic acid for volume and hydration. (\$225; YSL counters)
- 06 RéVive Masque de Glaïse** Used once or twice weekly, this deep-cleanser sweeps away dead skin cells and removes impurities to reveal a fresher complexion and allow for better penetration of skin care products. (\$145; Barneys, Saks, reviveskincare.com)



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