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editors' picks for face

Bags of new products hit the Real Simple beauty department's desks each week. The editors test, try, smell, sample, spray, and smooth them on, and the best show up in each issue. Here, a few current favorites that have personally made our lives easier—and that's something to crow about.



1. CHANEL PRÉCISION PROTECTIVE UV CARE SPF 30+, \$48

"As light as water, spreadable, and its purse-friendly bottle is so smart," says director Elizabeth Graves.

TO BUY: chanel.com.

2. LANCÔME GÉNIFIQUE, \$78

"This potent skin-smoothing serum is well-balanced—it's not too light, not too heavy, so it layers well under makeup," says Elizabeth.

TO BUY: lancome-usa.com.

3. CELLCEUTICALS

EXTREME DEFENSE, \$65

"My go-to anti-aging cream, since it's packed with vitamins C and E, plus green tea," says senior editor Lisa Whitmore.

TO BUY: cellceuticalsskincare.com.

4. NEUTROGENA AGELESS INTENSIVES DEEP WRINKLE MOISTURE NIGHT, \$20

"It's an inexpensive retinol cream that doesn't irritate my skin," says Elizabeth.

TO BUY: At drugstores.

5. URBAN DECAY PRIMER POTION XL, \$22

"I've tried them all—this eye primer prevents shadow creases best," says beauty assistant Sarah Smith.

TO BUY: urbandecay.com.

6. ESTÉE LAUDER VÉRITÉ LIGHT-LOTION CLEANSER, \$23.50

"A dermatologist suggested this for my sensitive skin. It's extra-gentle yet feels luxurious," says Elizabeth.

TO BUY: esteelauder.com.

7. AVEENO ULTRA-CALMING DAILY MOISTURIZER SPF 15, \$14

"It's sun protection, redness relief, and moisture in one, plus it doesn't make me break out," says Lisa.

TO BUY: At drugstores.

8. SHISEIDO MAKEUP PERFECT ROUGE LIP COLORS, \$25 each

"Twenty colors—reds, pinks, nudes, wines. Remarkably, there isn't a shade I wouldn't wear," says Sarah.

TO BUY: sephora.com.

To find other current favorites of Real Simple's beauty editors, log on to realsimple.com/editorfavorites.