

Beauty Heroes

We’ve done the groundwork to find the ultimate health and beauty heroes. These are the products we use and trust for their quality, integrity and results. Thoughtful, effective and worth a place in your routine.

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Modern Armour

Part skincare, part complexion enhancer, ISAMAYA’s Microbial Gel is the backstage beauty secret your routine has been missing. This feather-light hydrogel delivers a surge of hydration while helping to calm, strengthen and protect the skin against environmental stressors. Its blend of hyaluronic acid, microbiome-supporting prebiotics and a soothing Dermalsooth Complex works to reduce redness and reinforce the skin barrier, leaving a fresh, dewy glow. The subtly tacky finish also creates the perfect makeup-gripping base, making it an especially smart choice for weddings, events and long days. [mecca.com](#), [@meccabeauty](#)

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Second Skin

If you love foundation that looks like skin rather than makeup, Bobbi Brown’s Weightless Skin Foundation SPF15 deserves a place on your radar. Its long-wearing formula delivers the elusive balance of shine control and lasting hydration, creating a natural matte finish that never feels flat or heavy. Hyaluronic acid, glycerin and honey extract help maintain moisture, while oil-absorbing silicas keep unwanted shine at bay. Comfortable and breathable, it provides medium coverage with a polished, skin-like finish, the kind of dependable complexion hero that makeup artists and beauty editors return to time and again. [bobbibrown.com.au](#), [@bobbibrownanz](#)

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Smooth Operator

Few skincare innovations have generated as much interest as Emma Lewisham’s Supernatural Vitale Elixir. Designed to deliver a sophisticated, science-led approach to smoother skin, the formula helps reduce muscle contractions that contribute to fine lines and wrinkles, while providing an immediate filling effect for a fresher, more refined appearance. By supporting the skin’s underlying structure, it promotes a firmer, lifted and visibly smoother complexion over time. Elegant, effective and results-driven, it’s the kind of skincare investment that earns a permanent place in the beauty cabinet. [emmalewisham.com](#), [@emmalewisham](#)

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Beauty Sleep

RAESO’s Lunar Veil Chrono-Active Sleep Mask is the kind of product beauty insiders obsess over. Designed around the skin’s natural overnight repair cycle, this cushion-soft, pale-blue treatment uses a sophisticated delivery system to release actives precisely when skin needs them most. Encapsulated mandelic acid, DNA repair enzymes, ceramides and bio-adaptive New Zealand botanicals work in harmony to renew, strengthen and replenish while you sleep. The result? Skin that looks smoother, plumper and remarkably well-rested by morning, like you’ve bottled eight hours of perfect sleep. [raesoskin.com](#), [@raesoskin](#)

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Radiant Cover

A cult favourite for good reason, Glossier’s Stretch Balm Concealer delivers the fresh, luminous coverage that modern beauty lovers crave. Infused with nourishing avocado and jojoba oils, the balmy formula melts into skin, while mineral pigments and light-reflecting microspheres brighten and perfect without ever looking heavy. Elastic waxes move with the skin rather than settling into fine lines, creating a naturally radiant finish. Ideal for weddings, events and everyday wear alike, it leaves the complexion looking hydrated, polished and beautifully believable. [mecca.com](#), [@meccabeauty](#)

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The Sculptor

The beauty world’s obsession with lymphatic drainage shows no signs of slowing, and Cecily Braden’s Lymphatic Brush Combo is one of the most sophisticated tools leading the charge. Designed to mimic the natural movement of the lymphatic system, the ergonomic brush encourages fluid drainage, reduces puffiness and supports a more sculpted, revitalised appearance. Engineered with ultra-soft bristles, it delivers precise yet gentle stimulation from head to toe without irritating sensitive skin. Ahead of weddings, events and photoshoots, it’s a luxurious self-care ritual that leaves skin fresher, smoother and more defined. [hana.nz](#), [@hana.space.nz](#)

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Holiday Glow

For those seeking a radiance reset, IMBIBE’s Miracle Collagen 7-Day Kit is the ultimate suitcase essential. Perfect for honeymoons, holidays and special occasions, each daily sachet delivers 100% hydrolysed bioactive collagen peptides formulated for rapid absorption and visible results. Clinically proven to support smoother, firmer, more hydrated skin while strengthening hair and nails, it works from within to enhance skin elasticity and collagen density. [imbibeliving.com](#), [@imbibeliving](#)

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Parsley Protocol

For those navigating the realities of modern city life, Aesop’s Parsley Seed Deep-Cleansing Protocol is a ritual worth knowing. The three-step regimen combines a nourishing cleansing oil, clarifying gel cleanser and purifying clay masque to gently lift away sunscreen, makeup, pollutants and excess oil without compromising the skin’s balance. Rich in anti-oxidant ingredients, including the range’s signature Parsley Seed Oil, it leaves skin feeling exceptionally clean, calm and refreshed. Particularly valuable in the lead-up to weddings and special occasions, it creates the ideal canvas for skincare and makeup. [aesop.co.nz](#), [@aesop](#)

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Collagen Couture

Estée Lauder’s Revitalizing Supreme+ Sculpting Serum is designed to deliver a visible ‘5D facelift’ effect. A fluid-light serum, it harnesses the brand’s advanced Collagen Bio-Programming technology to support multiple types of collagen, helping lift, firm and redefine facial contours. Powered by an impressive peptide complex, biotech collagen and Estée Lauder’s signature moringa extract, it leaves skin feeling beautifully cushioned, hydrated and noticeably smoother. [esteelauder.com](#), [@esteelauder](#)

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Liquid Glow

Few products earn permanent status on a beauty shelf, but GULP Glow makes a compelling case. Created by renowned facialist Ashleigh Scott, this lightweight facial oil is packed with natural vitamins, antioxidants and essential omegas to nourish, plump and illuminate the skin. It layers effortlessly over moisturiser, mixes seamlessly into skincare, or shines on its own as the final step in your routine. The result is a beautifully dewy, well-rested complexion with the kind of glow that looks as though you’ve just stepped out of a facial. [thefacialist.co.nz](#), [@thefacialist_](#)