

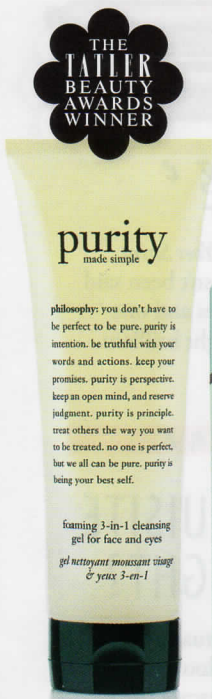
THE CLEANSER

*Spit and polish*

**WINNER** This is for when washing your umpteenth muslin cloth suddenly seems like a massive hassle you don't need in life.

*Philosophy Purity Foaming 3-in-1 Cleansing Gel*, £17.50, is amazing for sensitive skin AND doesn't leave your face feeling taut and tight AND gets rid of heavy-duty waterproof mascara. Boom.

**HIGHLY COMMENDED** Excellent old classic *Liz Earle Cleanse & Polish Hot Cloth Cleanser*, £12.75 – for when you do actually want that rub-a-dub-dub effect.



THE EYE CREAM

EXCESS BAGGAGE

**WINNER** Our top pick because it works. Really works. *La Prairie Skin Caviar Luxe Eye Lift Cream*, £210, is rich (and you have to be rich to buy it) and thick and moisturising and makes the thin skin around your eyes less crinkly and crêpey. A worthy investment.

**HIGHLY COMMENDED** Dynamo-dermatologist Dr Véronique Simon's *Diamond Eye Contour Moisturizer*, £55, won't fix you quite like a visit to her clinic, but until then it will keep puffiness at bay.



THE DAY CREAM

THE NIGHT CREAM



SO MUCH MORE THAN 40 WINKS

**WINNER** *RéVive Moisturizing Renewal Cream*, £105, is thick as Greek yogurt but – with a Nobel Prize-winning ingredient, EGF (look it up), and a generous swoosh of glycolic acid – it makes skin look just peachy the next morning.

**HIGHLY COMMENDED** *Elizabeth Arden Prevenge Anti-Ageing Overnight Cream*, £120, is intense – so go easy – but utterly transforming.



THE SERUM

SENSATIONAL SAFEGUARDING

**WINNER** The lovely people at *Estée Lauder* have really nailed serum, haven't they? The unstoppable *Advanced Night Repair*, the pore-minimising *Idealist*, the illuminating *Idealist Even Skintone* and now the lilacy new *Perfectionist [CP+R]*, £68, which not only makes your face feel velvety, but also reduces wrinkles.

**HIGHLY COMMENDED** The stunning, rose-scented essence that is *By Terry Cellularose Brightening Serum*, £75.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

**WINNER** *Sisleya Global Anti-Age*, £251, by *Sisley*, will make your bank manager weep but your face sing. It brilliantly straddles the line between scientific and botanical, for when you want something that really works but isn't laden with chemicals.

**HIGHLY COMMENDED** Perfect in every way – outrageous value, super-soothing, lasts forever – apart from the packaging. If only *Cetaphil Moisturising Lotion*, £8.99, looked prettier on the dressing table.

THE MIRACLE WORKER

*This will make you look younger. It will. It will*

**WINNER** Phenomenal stuff, retinol. *Philosophy Help Me Retinol Night Treatment*, £38, should be the master product in your anti-ageing arsenal. It tightens pores, smoothes fine lines, reduces pigmentation, calms spots and generally jollies everything up. Overnight.

**HIGHLY COMMENDED** Germanic über-efficiency bottled. That's what *QMS MediCosmetics Night Collagen*, £75, is all about. And don't forget *Sarah Chapman Skinesis Overnight Facial*, £45. You mustn't fly long-haul without it. ▷

THE PRIMER



LAY DOWN THE GROUNDWORK

**WINNER** *Laura Mercier Foundation Primer Radiance*, £28, is so good we're giving it the award again. Primers don't get better than this one.

**HIGHLY COMMENDED** *Mac Prep + Prime Skin*, £19.50, is the make-up of make-up artists. Creates a very good canvas.

