

Fine Herbal Cleanser *with* True Geranium and Lavender™



8 oz. clear glassapothecary bottle with pump

INSPIRATION: This herbal formulation is perfect for cleansing skin that is overly dry, overly oily, or for skin with dry or oily patches. True geranium (different from the scented plant used for ornamentation) combined with lavender and witch hazel, has astringent and antiseptic properties and is useful in balancing the production of sebum (the skin’s own natural moisturizer). The balancing of extreme conditions is precisely the premise of herbalism - to restore balance thus restoring the optimum condition for a clear healthy complexion. The balancing action arrives from the fact that geranium stimulates the adrenal cortex. This is important because the hormones secreted by the adrenal cortex are primarily “regulators”, governing the balance of hormones. In addition, True Geranium is known to stimulate the lymphatic system, helping the body to eliminate fluid. Lavender has been used for centuries to tighten slacking, crêpey tissue. These two herbal oils, combined with witch hazel and glycerin (which attracts moisture), cleanse and counter damage from exposure to chemicals and environmental pollutants.

RECIPE: witch hazel, glycerin, acylglutamate (a natural amino acid derived from sugarcane), and geranium and lavender essential oil

Witch Hazel	As a skin tonic, Witch Hazel tightens loose tissue and is an effective astringent and toning agent, especially for skin that is beginning to slack. An excellent cleansing agent for hands, face, and feet. Overall, Farmaesthetics thinks witch hazel is one of nature’s most useful herbs, and it is the perfect base for many of its skincare preparations.
Glycerin	A sweet syrupy substance naturally derived from vegetable oils. Used as a humectant, it actually attracts moisture from the air and binds it to the skin’s surface. It also provides a protective barrier on the skin so as to retain its moisture. When applied as a finishing spray to face and body it leaves a dewy, “glistening” appearance to the skin.
Glutamage (Acylglutamate)	A delicate cleansing agent derived from natural sugar cane; adds the slip to the preparations as well as the gentle action of removing excess oil.
Geranium Essential Oil	Oil derived from the geranium flower. Like virtually all the flower oils, it is an anti depressant and antiseptic and is valued for its astringent and antiseptic properties. Also used in herbal skincare preparations for its powerful action in balancing oil (sebum) production. Use for excessively dry skin, excessively oily skin and for everything in between ... this is the balancing action that makes this and most herbs so effective ... geranium maintains the natural PH balance of the skin.
Lavender Essential Oil	Lavender is the oil Farmaesthetics uses most in its skincare preparations, as it is the most versatile, with uses ranging from decongestant to sedative. This versatility is due to the complexity of the oil’s chemistry and its numerous active constituents. It is best summed up, as a calming, soothing and above all balancing oil, (that smells wonderful!). It stimulates and rejuvenates the skin and restores the skin’s natural balance in oil production. It also stimulates sore, exhausted muscles and soothes the nerves, while acting as an aromatic astringent.

APPLICATIONS and BENEFITS:

- Washes away impurities and excess oil, without ever changing the skin's natural ph balance or washing away the wanted outer layer of natural oils
- Created for use on the face, but is appropriate for the body, the bath and the baby
- Naturally fragrant and antiseptic.
- Non-irritating, as it does not contain synthetic surfactants or harsh cleansing agents, soaps or perfumes...totally clean and pure
- Excellent for oily as well as dry complexions
- May serve to settle the kind of red, inflamed skin that accompanies hormonal imbalances in adults and teens alike, i.e. acne, rosacea...

AS USED IN PROFESSIONAL TREATMENTS:

- Use as cleansing agent prior to all facial treatments
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