



**Shell out**

The folk at Organic Island have created a range of lip balms (from \$12.95, above) that are encased in natural shells and fastened by a stainless steel clip – they even contain a tiny mirror. The creators say the idea was inspired by global trends in eco and carbon conscious packaging. The all-natural balms contain mango seed butter, beeswax, and coconut, jojoba and rosehip oils. For stockists, phone 0418 150 073. [www.organicisland.com.au](http://www.organicisland.com.au)

**Hair waves**

Nothing beats cool, casual beach hair, and Salon Only has captured it in a bottle. SO Sea Salt Spray (\$22) is easy to use – just spray and scrunch to create beach hair that's flexible. The spray has a deliciously refreshing



fragrance that smells of the beach. Once you buy a bottle, you can pop back to your local stockist for a refill (\$17). Stockists: 1300 660 680. [www.salononly.com.au](http://www.salononly.com.au)

**Go coconuts**

New York fragrance company Demeter has introduced a new collection of fragrances called Kahala. This is also the name of the original Aloha Hawaiian shirt company, which has teamed up with Demeter to create 10 fragrances that capture the scents of Hawaii. The Coconut Cologne Spray (\$39.95, above) is sweet, crisp and almost edible. Available from [www.adorebeauty.com.au](http://www.adorebeauty.com.au).

**Sun blocked**

Despite the health risks, it can be tempting to



bypass the suggested daily dose of sunscreen when most leave the face sticky and oily. But if you don't mind spending a tad more on your visage, American brand Jan Marini Skin Research's Antioxidant Daily Face Protector SPF30+ (\$76, above left) is well worth it. It smells fresh and floral, it is waterproof and it leaves skin matte. Apply it after cleansing and before moisturising. The oil-free Body Block SPF30 (\$46) is also waterproof. For stockists, phone (03) 9509 9526.

**Natural protection**

If you're thinking Hei Poa Monoi Oil (\$28, above right) is that horrible stuff everyone in the '80s used to fry their skin, think again. Tahitians use this oil to care for their skin and



hair. Hei Poa is refined copra oil that's had fresh tiara flowers steeped in it. It has an SPF of 6 and will leave dehydrated skin feeling ultra soft. Available from Kit Cosmetics, Myer, city, or online at [www.kitcosmetics.com.au](http://www.kitcosmetics.com.au)

**Sea change**

If it's soft, creamy skin you crave, Creme de la Mer (from \$250, 30ml, above) is your one-stop pot. It's rich and thick and contains La Mer's trademark Miracle Broth. Or try the La Mer Eye Concentrate (\$350, 15ml) to help soothe the eye area. Available from David Jones QueensPlaza (ph: 3243 9000) and Chermiside (ph: 3624 1400).

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*Sarah's of New Farm*

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