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Eye Creams,
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*There's flattering. There's clever. There's effective.
And then there's the Best. The products that score the
red seal are the whole package. They don't just do what
they say they'll do—they do it better than anything else.
It's our great pleasure to introduce the class of 2016.*

By Liana Schaffner

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STILL LIFES BY KEVIN CREMENS

*Fragrance has undeniable power:
To inspire, to seduce, to calm.
We found the perfumes that
harness it in the most sublime way.*

FRUITY. Named for a flower with no discernible smell, **Givenchy Dahlia Divin Le Nectar de Parfum** is more discreet than sweet. The lucid blend of jasmine and plum is clean—never cloying.

FLORAL. With frangipani and tuberose, **Prada La Femme Prada** deconstructs and redefines a classic floral bouquet. The notes are unafraid and impressively sheer. This is how you power-dress, perfume style.

CITRUS. Some citrus scents are so bright and splashy, we'd rather squirt them on a Niçoise salad than our skin. But **Ralph Lauren Collection Lime** has a soft, shadowy lavender note that's fresh and unexpected. No tourist fare here.

GREEN. **Dolce & Gabbana Velvet Bergamot** is faceted, not fussy. Spiky sage and moody vetiver add depth, while citrus keeps things bright.

SEXY. Imagine the world's sexiest, most sophisticated sunscreen on the world's sexiest, most sophisticated (and likely naked) woman. That's **Tom Ford Soleil Blanc**. But there's no one-sexy-fits-all, so we're also lauding the classic musky seduction of **Bulgari Goldea**. Its orange blossom, ylang-ylang, and patchouli sparkle like water on warm skin.

SPICY. **Elizabeth and James Nirvana Rose** captures the rich, illicit quality of the rose—not the romantic cliché we've smelled a few dozen times before.

MEN'S. With notes of citrus, pepper, and raw wood, **Dior Sauvage** conjures pure sky and rugged vistas.

CANDLE. With its mild green-tea scent and simple white votive, **Annick Goutal Candle in L'île au Thé** has the stark elegance of a porcelain teacup.

HAIR FRAGRANCE. **Miu Miu Hair Mist** gives us a lovely halo of lily of the valley. This is what an Italian countess—on holiday in France—must feel like.

NEW. For a scent inspired by an icon, **Chanel No. 5 L'Eau** is remarkably breezy. The blend of rose, jasmine, and cedar is so fresh, it borders on fragile.

CLASSIC. We've sprayed **Narciso Rodriguez For Her** on our pulse points more times than we can count, but this sexy, urban musk is still a revelation. The compliments never get old, either.

THE NATURALS

What constitutes a "natural" beauty product? There's still no universally accepted standard, even though the market is growing at the rate of microalgae. We spoke with experts to determine what ingredients a natural product should not contain. These winners are free of: parabens, phthalates, sodium lauryl sulfate, metallic aluminum, triclosan, talc, mineral oil, petrolatum, formaldehyde, toluene, and chemical sunscreens (such as oxybenzone, avobenzene, and octinoxate).

W3LL People Bio Bronzer Powder creates a healthy glow that's believable even in the dead of winter. **Burt's Bees Lipstick** drenches lips in essential oils and a lustrous tint. The antioxidant-rich **Onomie Bright Concealing Elixir** blots out even the undereye shadows so inky they border on blue. The gossamer **RMS Beauty Tinted "Un" Powder** veils pores and eliminates shine (and we can count the ingredients on one hand). Laced with argan oil, **Josie Maran Vibrancy Foundation Fluid** goes on like silk and tempers redness. **Goop by Juice Beauty Luminous Melting Cleanser** cushions skin with natural oils, making moisturizer an option—but not a necessity. We love the petals floating in **Korres Wild Rose Oil**, but this bottle contains more than pure romance. Potent vitamin C fends off free radicals. The ingredient list of the **Tata Harper Purifying Mask** reads like the lunch menu at a spa: Yogurt probiotics cleanse, while turmeric and fennel control oil. **Ever Reveal Biomimetic Peel Pads** tackle discoloration with azelaic acid and hydrate with magnolia water. Rake the decadent **SheaMoisture Coconut & Hibiscus Curl & Style Milk** through damp strands for silky spirals. **Beautycounter Lengthening Mascara** creates volume without irritating your eyes. **Drunk Elephant Lala Retro Whipped Cream** turns lackluster skin luminous with a creamy blend of oils. **Thinkbaby SPF 50+ Sunscreen** goes on white, then fades into a sheer, protective sheen. The **Honest Beauty Truly Kissable Lip Crayon** delivers hydrating botanicals plus pigments that don't go MIA.