

The Best Nontoxic Sunscreens To Use All Summer

Summer: the season of sundresses, bikinis, backyard BBQs, and endless beach days.

Unfortunately, also the season of sun damage. It's safe to say that nobody goes into summer hoping to get burned or to otherwise harm their skin. Right? And yet, days spent lounging by the pool—or frankly even just walking to work in that bright daylight—can mean a whole lot of extra exposure to harsh [UV rays](#).

So, you'll need some sunscreen to protect you from all that hazardous sun. Of course, you don't want the kind with harsh chemicals, irritating fragrances, or potential hormone disrupters. So that rules out about three-quarters of the stuff on the market (if you want to learn more, check out the [EWG's sunscreen report](#)).

Instead, you want those natural, [nontoxic](#) formulas that protect your skin with minerals like zinc oxide and are packed with antioxidants and other good-for-you ingredients (soothing aloe and moisturizing organic oils, to name a few). Luckily, you've got options—and good ones, too. Read on for the 12 best natural sunscreens—from a cool [DIY](#) powder to an easy all-over spray—to help you practice safe sun this summer (and always!).

Kari Gran Three Sixty Five SPF 28



This mineral sunscreen from organic beauty brand Kari Gran has gained something of a cult following among natural beauty enthusiasts. It's lightweight and easy to apply and leaves your skin feeling soft and smooth all day thanks to the raspberry seed, French plum seed, macadamia nut seed, kukui seed, and avocado oils on the ingredients list. Pro tip: You can easily turn this simple sunscreen into a tinted SPF by adding a small scoop of your favorite mineral powder foundation and mixing it up. ([\\$48](#))

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