

# Cybele SAYS

It's very sad as a contributing writer to have your source of expression cease to exist. The good news is that **CYBELE SAYS** will continue to reign under [cybelesays.com](http://cybelesays.com) starting with the February issue (posts February 1) so be sure to add cybelesays.com to your list of "favorites" on the Internet. Enough of that, let's get to this month's exciting reviews.

Hurry and get your butts over to [bobbibrowncosmetics.com](http://bobbibrowncosmetics.com) and check out their Holiday 2000 line while it lasts. Of the 11 new items that just hit the net and stores, my favorites are the Shadow Basics 2000 (\$32.50), the Coloroptions Shimmer Chalk Kit (\$35) and the Lip Palette 2001 (\$45). The colors are timeless, reasonably priced and beautifully packaged. A 2001 must have.



**CRABTREE & EVELYN's** Cleansing Milk from their Swiss Skin Care line (\$17/7.1oz at [crabtree-evelyn.com](http://crabtree-evelyn.com)) is a perfect 2-in-1 makeup remover and facial cleaner. It removes every last bit of makeup (including waterproof mascara) while gently cleansing the skin. It does all this without stinging your eyes, an important detail that gets high ratings in my book. If you just need an eye makeup remover then I suggest **CLUB MONACO** Eye Color Remover (\$12/6.8oz at [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)). Swears MASH beauty contributor Kristina, "It's my favorite eye makeup remover by far. No irritation whatsoever when removing waterproof mascara and you don't have to work at it. It's very gentle around the eye area."



Since I'm so obsessed with facial masks these days, every month will feature a new, must have, mask. What better way to feel like the beautiful woman you are then to pamper yourself with a great a mask. New from **PETER THOMAS ROTH** is their Oxygen Detoxifying Masque (\$50 /4.5oz at [peterthomasroth.com](http://peterthomasroth.com)). This oxygen-rich emollient is unique in that it is a cream and not a green muddy goo (actually I love that green muddy goo, too). It does not dry out your skin like some masks. It feels like you just super-hydrated your face with a super-cream.

Temperatures on the gloss front are very hot this month! One that I believe ranks up there with MAC's Lipglass and Crystal from Liz Arden comes from a line that puts out notable quality products, **AWAKE**. Like all gloss, their (\$18 tube at [awakecosmetics.com](http://awakecosmetics.com)) can be worn alone, with a lip pencil or over lipstick. What puts them in the "Lip Gloss Hall of Fame" is the thicker than normal formula which adds to its "glossier than the everyday competition" look. It gives a sheer

glow and sparkle to lips and some of the shades have a touch of color.

A wonderful toner I have been using lately is Herbalence from Beverly Hills based company **THIBIAN** (\$28/6.7oz at 800-825-2517). Unlike some toners, this one does not dry your face out while removing those last bits of dirt and makeup. The scent is wonderful and I love it that my skin isn't begging for face cream afterward.



I have so many favorite lipsticks this month, I don't even know where to start so I'll just jump right in. **HARD CANDY** put out a bunch of new shades in their line Super Good Shine Lipstick. My favorites are Sugar (metallic mocha) and Hypnotic (deep plum) (both \$16 at [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)).

**MAC** has "O" (shimmery orangy brown - \$13.50 at **MAC** stores); **PAULA DORF**'s Lambada (purple shimmery brown) (\$16 at [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)); **ELIZABETH ARDEN**'s Lip Lip Hooray! SPF 15 has

Fairytale (light brown shimmer). All of the Lip Lip Hooray! lipsticks contains a minty feel and fragrance (\$16.50 at [elizabetharden.com](http://elizabetharden.com)); **VINCENT LONGO**'s Lip Stain in Americana (medium red) (\$18 at ... where else? [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)); **STILA**'s Sofia (light glowing red) (\$16 at [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)); **BOURJOIS**'s Dis-Moi-Oui line Chamade (deep wine) (\$12 at [sephora.com](http://sephora.com))

**RIMMEL**'s 3 in 1 Colour (\$2.97 exclusively at Wal\*Mart stores) multipurpose makeup breaks all the rules and they do it beautifully. Apply it to your eyes, cheeks, lips or shoulders. Here's another product that allows you to choose the color depth. Available in six sensual shades from Illusion (silky taupe beige) to Decadence (a rich velvety red).

High in beauty contributor Michael's corner is **AL BENESSERTI**'s INVIGORATING Hydrating Aloe Body Wash (\$24/8oz at [shoppingtheworld.com](http://shoppingtheworld.com)) "The search for the perfect body wash is never simple if you're of the male persuasion. Generally, most lotions cost too much, smell too feminine and are either way too thick or runny and greasy. But this wash has a lot of the qualities I like. It's not too thick, not too thin and definitely not greasy! The scent is very fresh and not feminine. I would recommend this product for a female or male looking for that soft, smooth skin they've always wanted but were too embarrassed to ask a girl how to get it."

From my favorite line, **TOO FACED**, comes Absolutely Flawless (\$29.50 at [toofaced.com](http://toofaced.com)). A wet/dry foundation powder with matching creme concealer. This cute little 2-level compact is all you will need for touchups in your night bag - an application sponge on the bottom and the cremes on the top! Available in four flawless shades. \* New from **TOO FACED** this month is Blenders - a two-sided foundation stick with a light and dark tone for blending together. Look for a review in a future issue ...





For a wild night on the town, here are some nail polish colors to take your hands center-stage this month: **CREATIVE** Egyptian Sunset (\$10 at [beautyofasite.com](http://beautyofasite.com)); **OPI** Big Red Apple (\$6 at [beautyofasite.com](http://beautyofasite.com)); **URBAN DECAY** Big Bang (\$9.50 at [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)); **LORAC** Red Velvet (\$12 at [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)); and **BOURJOIS** Shock Resistant Polish in Violet (\$8.50 at [sephora.com](http://sephora.com)).

A new line I just rediscovered is **MERLE NORMAN**. They have a Shine Control Hydrator (\$32/2oz at 800-40-MERLE) that is a lifesaver. Apply it right after your moisturizing cream in the morning before putting on your make-up and it cuts the out shine completely.

**TONY & TINA** has a notable all-over powder that just goes by the name Cosmetic Shimmer Powder (\$24 at [tonytina.com](http://tonytina.com)). This universal powder is great for eyes, cheeks or lips and comes in five fabulous shades. They also have a new Skin Refiner that just came out that I can't wait to try.

For a full-on body scrub I recommend **BARONESSA CALI**'s Oliva Salata (\$18/8.5oz at [calicosmetics.com](http://calicosmetics.com)). This moisturizing body scrub is made with extracts of Italian Olive Oil and kelp. But that's not even the greatest part. The rough stuff inside is Mediterranean Sea Salt right from the ocean and the scent lingers on your skin long after your bath or shower.



A beautiful blush can make a big impact on your overall look. Another line I recently found is **LA BELLA DONNA NATURALE THERAPY**. Their new Loose Mineral Blush Shimmers (\$25 at Bergdorf) are the bomb. The long-wearing powder adds a subtle sheen, but like most cheek shimmers, go easy with the blush brush; remember to keep it subtle. Their whole line is definitely one to try if you sometimes have allergies to facial products. These are all made of Cherished Minerals and that's all - no oil, preservatives, talc, alcohol or fragrance. It's all, all natural. Look for more reviews on their products in future issues.

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