

Ready, Set, Glow!

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Whose skin couldn't use a little boost—a few simple tricks for making it look smoother and more luminous? We asked **Piret Aava**, a New York City celebrity makeup artist and aesthetician, to help three moms with totally different skin types get the complexion of their dreams with just a few easy tweaks. Steal Aava's secrets for putting *your* best face forward today!

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She doesn't look tired anymore!

THE LOOK

WELL-RESTED RADIANCE

SARAH GARFUNKEL, mom of a preschooler and baby, says her face took a turn for the weary after her second was born: "My skin became dull and dry." She craved the brightness that comes with beauty sleep.

Wake Up Your Face Now

Apply CC cream to even out skin tone. Choose one with a bit of shimmer for a healthy sheen.

Dab on concealer with a brush on any spots. If your skin is blotchy, select a product with a green undertone. Pink tones don't hide redness as well.

Go for black mascara. It always makes eyes pop more than other shades—and will draw people's attention away from your skin.

What to Do for the Long Run

Exfoliate once a week and follow up with a hydrating mask or rich moisturizing cream. A DIY scrub to try: Mix together ¼ cup each sugar and honey. The sugar sloughs off flaky patches while the honey moisturizes. Or smooth on a serum that has alpha hydroxy acid (AHA) in it. The acid exfoliates dry skin cells. Follow either one with Yes to Carrots Intense Hydration Night Cream (\$13) for even deeper hydration.

COVERGIRL + Olay Tone Rehab CC Cream (\$12); **L'Oréal Paris Voluminous Butterfly Mascara** in Blackest Black (\$9); **Sonia Kashuk Concealer Brush** (\$6)



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Her skin finally grew up!

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FLAWLESS MATTE FINISH

SCHERRIE WILLIAMS, a mom of two preschoolers, was desperate to do something about her oily skin (and breakouts). “I couldn’t believe I was still using the term ‘T-zone’ in my thirties!”

Lose the Shine Now

Use an oil-free foundation. Powder-based is best. Have two shades handy if you have dark acne marks; use the lighter to even out spots.

Gleam-proof your T-zone (sorry!) with powder.

Sonia Kashuk’s Undetectable Loose Powder (\$10) absorbs oil and is invisible on all skin tones.

Swipe on bright lipstick (or just a more vivid shade than usual). The color will refocus the eye away from trouble spots.



Orgo Beauty Spot Treatment (Beautycirque.com, \$32); **L’Oréal Paris True Match Minéral Makeup** (\$16)



She beat the beauty double whammy.



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A CLEAR, SMOOTH COMPLEXION

MARNI MARRON, mom of a 7-year-old, lamented nature’s cruelty: “I was getting lines around my eyes, yet I still broke out!” We helped her say “buh-bye” to her dual frustrations.

Turn Back the Clock Now

Less is more. Use tinted moisturizer to even out skin. Skip foundation, which settles into lines. We love Eve Lom Radiance Perfected Tinted Moisturizer SPF 15 (Evelom.com, \$55).

Turn to matte shadow. Shimmer accentuates lines and saggy lids.

Keep focus on top of the eye (the bottom is where creases are more noticeable) by lining only the top rim.

What to Do for the Long Run

Use a peel once a week. It’ll be more gentle than an exfoliator, a boon when skin needs a soft touch. For pimple control, look to spot treatments with tea tree oil or zinc, ingredients soothing to aging skin.



That’s Incredi-Peel Pads (Blissworld.com, \$49); **Ole Henriksen Roll-On Acne Solution** (Sephora, \$22)