



(Melvita, Darphin, Caudalie, Nuxe, and L'Occitane) as well as cosmecutical brands with patented techniques, such as Filorga, SVR and Bioderma. And new brands are popping up all the line, such as Laboratoire du Haut-Ségala (L.HS), a ratural, organic brand that offers 25 pure plant oils and eight fioral waters: S[ae]ee, which is centred around birch sap and chapa fungus; and Gallinee, with prebiotic and probiotic ingredients a focus.

And when it comes to make-up, Dior, Chanel, Givenchy, Lancôme, Guerlain and YSL have things all wrapped up in terms of creating th

Top French treatments

Mathilde Thomas, author of The French Beauty Solution (£16.12, Avery) and founder of skincare brend Gaudelie, says it's not uncommon for French women to have a facial once or twice a month, but another favourite treatment is endermologie. This is a deep-tissue massage that's designed to tackle cellulite and remove tonius and may be the reason French women look so good on the beach! You can try LPG endermologie at verious salons in the UK (find your neerest at endermologie.com). At home, harness the power of grapes with Mathildel Thomas's Crushed Cabernet Body Scrub: put 1% cup brown sugar, 2' tosp grape seeds in a bowl, pour on at least 1's, cup grape-seed of until the seeds and sugar are saturated, then add 1% cup raw honey and a few drops of your choice of essential oil, such as lavender. Warm in the microwewe for 20-30 seconds then massage all over your body before rinsing off in the shower.

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