



Technical Information

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Building African Self-Empowerment the Moral Way

PURE SHEA BUTTER

INCI NAME: *Butyrospermum parkii* (Shea Butter) Fruit

SPECIFICATIONS

APPEARANCE:	Ivory to Yellowish
ODOR:	Characteristic
MELTING POINT:	32-45 deg C
PEROXIDE VALUE:	<2 meq/kg
FREE ACIDS:	3.5% Maximum
MICROBIOLOGY:	<20 cfu/g
Total plate count @ 48 hrs	No pathogens present
UNSAPONIFIABLES:	6.5% Minimum
VITAMIN A:	1966 IU/100 mg
CINNAMONIC ACID:	0.95

CAUTIONS: This is a natural product that may darken with age. Store in a cool, dark place.

PACKAGING: 154 - 165 lb (70-75 kg) plastic pails or 50 lb (25 kg) plastic lined cartons

DESCRIPTION

Unrefined shea butter is a natural fatty substance that is extracted from the seed kernel of the Shea tree in West and Central Africa. Our shea butter is produced using traditional methods and has not been refined. It is a raw, natural product in its purest form.

USES

Shea butter is used as a fattening agent in cosmetic products, topical ointments, creams and lotions. It has a high content of unsaponifiables, which give a pleasant smooth feel to the skin and make shea butter most applicable to facial, hand, and body care products. Shea butter is also recommended for cosmetics such as lipsticks and makeup, sunscreens, and products for sensitive skin. In general, shea butter can be used in most oil based products or in the oil phase of cosmetic and toiletry formulations. Here are some suggested uses: Lip Balms, Lipsticks, Sun Care, Hand and Body Lotions, Facial Moisturizers, Bath Oils, Soaps, Rubs and Ointments, and Body Butters. It is important to use at least 10% or more shea butter in a product if you want it to perform better because of the presence of shea butter.