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Amber's Beauty Essentials: Vol. 1

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Hey Bombshells! Anyone who knows me, or has visited my home knows that I have tons of beauty products. Seriously. It's products for days over here! Some of them I receive from beauty companies, and some of them I purchase myself. Regardless of where they come from, I try to test them all out and give them a fair shake before I bring them to you guys via this blog.

Now, that being said, I don't want to inundate you all with product review after product review. I mean, a person can only take so much of a good thing, right? Right! So I've decided to start a new feature here on Brown Bombshell Beauty called Amber's Beauty Essentials, where I share the products that are currently rocking my world. I may share only 2 products, I may share 10. No matter how many I feature, rest assured that they are my absolute favorite products of the moment, and are in heavy rotation in my beauty routine.

So let's get started, shall we? This week my skin went a little haywire, so skin care was big for me, with some makeup, hair and fragrance finds sprinkled in...



Narciso Rodriguez For Her ETD – This is the first fragrance I ever fell in love with. It's sensual, seductive and sophisticated. I always get tons of compliments when I wear it. I broke my last bottle and have been without it for AGES. Thankfully, I received a gift card to Sephora recently, and I was FINALLY able to re-purchase this sexy little fragrance!



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Eve Pearl Loose Setting Powder in Tan/Dark – I bought this back in May at The Makeup Show NYC, and finally pulled it out about a month or so ago. I could slap myself for not using this sooner. It's amazing! This powder sets any brand or type of foundation beautifully for a flawless finish. I've even used it alone to great results. Available at EvePearl.com.

PanOxyl 2.5% Benzoyl Peroxide Acne Facial Wash – This is the only acne wash I have found that quickly and effectively clears up blemishes without upsetting my skin. I realized that using this cleanser only once a day does the trick.

Jane Carter Solution Nutrient Replenishing Conditioner – I received samples of several Jane Carter Solution hair care products recently, and this conditioner was the stand-out product. It left my hair natural soft and deeply moisturized. Definitely a keeper!

Lumene Lift Touch Rejuvenating Cleansing Oil – I tried this cleansing oil forever ago ([read my full review here](#)), but quit using it for some reason. I discovered that my recent breakout may be due to my not getting every last bit of makeup off before bed. So, I started using this again, and follow it up with my usual cleanser. This is the only drugstore cleansing oil on the market, so try this one out before committing to popular cleansing oils from pricier brands. Available at CVS.com and CVS stores nationwide.

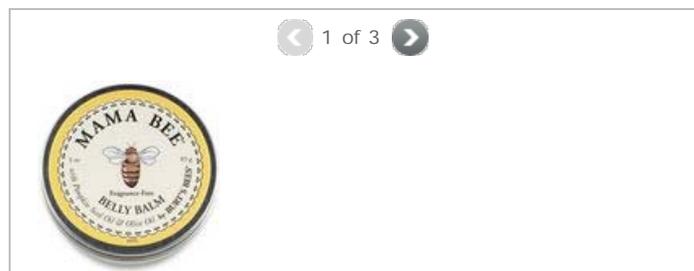
Cover Girl Queen Collection Natural Hue Liquid Makeup – I received several Cover Girl Queen Collection items ages ago, but neglected to give this a spin because I didn't think it would provide much coverage. Boy, was I wrong! This moisturizing foundation is sheer, but somehow manages to give great coverage when I apply it with my stippling brush. If you're in the market for a new winter foundation, give this a try.

Rimmel London Lash Accelerator Mascara – When I want to create a false eyelash look, I apply 2 coats of volumizing mascara, followed with 1 coat of a lengthening, defining mascara. Maybelline The Falsies has been my volumizing mascara of choice lately ([check out my full review here](#)), so I add a coat of this new Rimmel mascara to finish it off. It gives great definition and puts my lashes over the top!

Mario Badescu Keratoplast Cream Soap – When I started using the PanOxyl acne cleanser above, I went a little too hard with it, and my skin flipped out and started flaking like crazy. I'm a big fan of Mario Badescu products (see [here](#) and [here](#)), so after reducing my use of the acne cleanser, I grabbed this cleanser to gently cleanse my skin and get rid of the flakes. It totally did the trick! It made my skin soft and smooth, and totally restored it's balance.

Mario Badescu Aloe Vera Toner – This toner helped seal in moisture after using the Keratoplast Cream Soap. This is an awesome, alcohol-free, aloe vera-rich toner that is perfect for winter.

Bath & Body Works Dark Kiss Fragrance Mist – A new scent at fragrance emporium Bath & Body Works, Dark Kiss is sweet, sultry and completely yummy! This mist is surprisingly fragrant and long-lasting. When I spritz this on, I can't stop sniffing myself! Available at BathandBodyWorks.com and Bath and Body Works stores nationwide.



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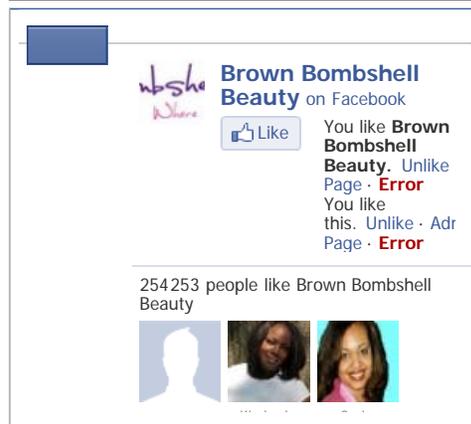
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So there are my essential beauty products of the moment! Have you tried any of these? What are your essential products?



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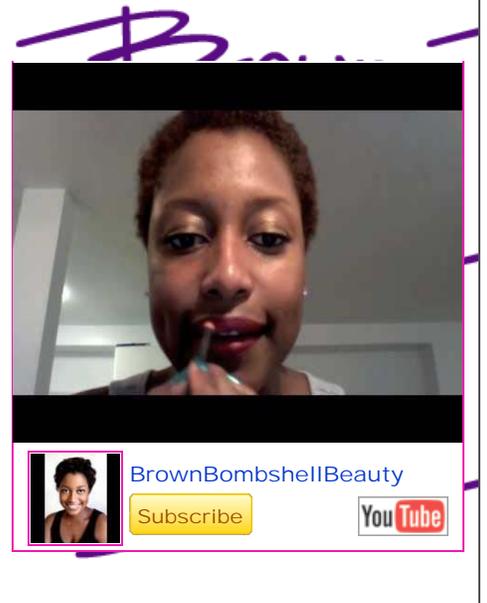
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