

SILVER SERVICE

Ideal for inflamed, stressed or damaged skin, silver is fast becoming one of skincare's most sought-after ingredients. "It is cooling and healing," says Field. "It has a healing effect on many conditions, including acne and sunburn."

Silver is also an effective antibacterial agent and has powerful cell-repairing properties. It's not only thought to heal congestion and acne, but to restore skin's moisture and oil balance, leaving it supple.

Try: *Cor The Silver Soap*, \$170, is a facial cleanser formulated with nano-silver and silica. The silica has a sponge-like nature, which draws the silver and other active natural ingredients (collagen, silk proteins and skin-tone smoothing sericin) into its particles so that it can nourish the skin as it cleanses. Also in the Cor range is *The Silver Eye Cream*, \$170, *Wrinkle Serum*, \$170, and *Anytime Moisturiser*, \$170.

The Cor range works synergistically to even skin tone, reduce the appearance of sunspots and pore size, maintain moisture balance, and reduce the signs of ageing.

Mario Badescu Silver Powder, \$35.95, is effective

on stubborn blackheads, absorbing oil and unclogging pores. Use it as a mask once a week – simply dip a dampened cotton wool ball into the powder and press it over congested facial zones. After 10 minutes, remove with a toner.

OmVeda's silver collection comprises a Toner, \$40.10, *Gel*, \$52.70, and *Day Cream*, \$49.50, each laced with finely ground silver leaf to cool, de-stress and repair a damaged dermis. It also has a calming effect on redness and rosacea.

Silver facial

OmVeda Pure Silver Facial, \$110 for 90 minutes (call 1300 662 383), is tailored to sensitive and stressed skin types, and aims to calm and heal while giving skin a nourishing boost.

After cleansing, Silver Toner is used to settle redness, before skin is massaged for 20 minutes with Silver Day Cream. Finely grated cucumber is blended with Silver Gel, and applied underneath a professional-use only Silver Herbal Mask, which is mixed with organic yoghurt for further soothing benefits. This is left on for 30 minutes and removed with warm water, before Silver Day Cream completes the treatment. ✚

