

European women seek out the preeminent pros when it comes to maintaining their flawless complexions.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 183) Sigourney Weaver can't get enough of the deep-cleansing facials and full body scrubs at Aida Thibiant.

Jamie Lee Curtis and Ali MacGraw go to Louise Bianco in Westwood for her famed Renna-technique facial contouring massage, identical to the kind Marilyn Monroe had before every new movie. Developed by a Viennese surgeon more than 60 years ago, this works all the facial muscle groups, increasing blood circulation and lifting sagging skin.

At Vera Brown's Retreat in the Glen, Heather Locklear and Nicollette Sheridan come in for facials, either by hand or with Brown's new GL700 machine which relaxes the face and helps lines fade away. But it's her legendary gold liquid, pearl lotion and jade cream (Jane Seymour swears by it) that have established her reputation.

Aida Grey, who created Reagan Red lipstick for the former First Lady, has been operating her salon in Beverly Hills for 45 years. (Jacqueline Bisset, Lauren Hutton and Cheryl Ladd stop by for her DNA/RNA facials.)

Tracy Pollan and husband Michael J. Fox, Connie Sellecca and Jennifer Grey all frequent the Ole Henriksen of Denmark Skin Care Center to experience his popular facial-toning massage combined with aromatherapy and his gentle abrasive skin treatment, which removes dead cells with a delicate emery wheel.

PARIS

Skin is a reverent subject for Parisian women. Plagued by some of the worst air pollution in Europe and harsh spring winds, they maintain a rigorous front against skin problems and there is no shortage of products to

help them. But, for the most sophisticated treatments, all the really smart women have a specialist—typically a high priestess of beauty who has formulated her own methods, products and a personal cult following.

There is nothing closer to a religious beauty experience than a face cleaning by Jane deBusset. You don't dare come late for a rendezvous here. She's booked solid for two to three months, and accepts reservations up to a year in advance.

DeBusset offers two basic services: her famous deep-cleaning (suggested on a once-a-month basis) or an intensive moisturizing 10-day treatment. She uses the same principles, incorporating an ionized cream, electric currents and massages, that she learned in the '30s. Her products, fabricated exclusively for her use, are not sold anywhere else and are made in small quantities, "to be absolutely fresh."

While deBusset comforts the rich with her Old World sense of elegant beauty service, Anne Semonin, one of the newest Beauty Queens here, is dazzling a fashion and film crowd with her all-natural, individualistic approach. Semonin's white-tiled salon is like a breath of fresh air—literally—scented as it is with her natural plant elixirs containing ingredients like eucalyptus, sage and thyme. Located just off trendy Place des Victoires, she attracts local designers and their staffs as well as in-the-know actresses, including Isabelle Adjani and Marlène Jobert.

After a skin analysis, Semonin prescribes cleansers, lotions and moisturizers from base products to which she adds various natural oils and extracts in proportions best suited to the individual. Your recipe card is then filed away for refills. She also offers a full range of facials, body treat-

ments and massages, including an intense freezing peel for the face. Currently, Semonin runs only her one Paris salon and a sister venture in Geneva, but there are plans to open a corner in Henri Bendel, New York, in the near future.

Ingrid Millet's 15-year-old salon is a classic, located across from the American and British embassies on the rue du Faubourg St. Honoré. She is known for her caviar masks—real caviar that is freeze-dried, then mixed with collagen. Her Bio-Marine Extract ampules, for deep moisturizing and toning of the face, are best-sellers for devotees ranging from ambassadors' wives to singer Sylvie Vartan and Paloma Picasso.

Marie-Anne Lacoste is one Paris skin pro who doesn't make her own products, or run a true "commercial salon." She is a much sought-out expert who, in her own words, "bridges the gap between beauty parlor and dermatologist." Lacoste is a pioneer in specialized care for post-operative skin—A.K.A. après face-lift care. This might mean helping to heal skin with a minimum of scarring, or advising on which preparations and makeups are safe for sensitive skin.

"I don't sell anything. This allows me to be absolutely objective." Her strictly private business is booming, thanks to grateful ladies who no longer have to hide out somewhere secluded while recovering from their lifts. After healing, they often return to Lacoste for her soothing facials on a regular basis. The majority of her customers are actually referred by doctors.

MILAN

Introduced to the Italian honey-based Perlier line of natural skin-care products at the