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#### Jacqueline Hellyer

The sex therapist holds workshops and sessions on sexual empowerment and is penning her third book

#### Ray Klerck

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# Laters, Carrot

Precisely how to get a natural-looking fake tan (because there's no need to look like a root vegetable)





Real Lady Marmalade

By Caelia Corse

We should embrace the pale. Unveil our legs and go belting around on the beach epidermis au naturel. We know. But the indisputable truth is a lot of Aussies, actually, women around the world (bar the cast of Downton Abbey) feel they look better bronze. It's the bane of the Cancer Council's existence, but it's true. Even politicians and princesses can't resist the golden allure. Capital Hill has it Sarah Palin installed a tanning bed in the governor's mansion. Well, how else could she perfect her burnt orange mug in Alaska? And Kate Middleton's royal wedding fake tan prompted a 219 per cent spike in the sale of tanning products at UK department store Debenhams. Pippa's prompted comparisons to Snooki, but most of us were really looking at her arse...

With more than 10,300 cases of melanoma in Australia every year, self-tanning products are the sunless solution for many women who feel they look better brown. If you're keen to fake it this summer, here's the latest info on tanning safely, plus tips on getting it right.

Are spray tans still safe?

A recent report by ABC News America suggests dihydroxyacetone (DHA) the chemical in spray tans that reacts with amino acids in the skin to turn it brown - has the potential to cause genetic alterations and DNA damage. Read: cancer scare. Read: panic attack. Six US medical experts in dermatology, toxicology and pulmonary medicine reviewed 10 of the most current studies on DHA - however none of these studies were conducted on humans. They were actually conducted on cells in a lab, which, according to Cancer Council Australia, can react very differently to what happens in the human body. A bit of background on DHA: the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved DHA for external use in tanning products - back in the '70s. However the use of DHA in modern day all-over sprays has not been approved, as no safety data has been submitted since, for review. So, should we freak out about getting a spray tan? Or spray tans past? No, but be cautious. "There is no evidence

that spray tans applied to the skin cause cancer," says CEO of Cancer Council Australia, Professor Ian Olver. The concern is that if tanning solution is inhaled during a spray tan this could potentially trigger cancer with sufficient exposure. There are no reports of this to date, but experts suggest safety precautions, and further research is needed. "A face mask or goggles and nose plugs should be worn, and you should be sprayed in a well ventilated, non-confined space," says Professor Olver. What about other fake tan products? The issue is with DHA inhalation via the respiratory system; it is safe when applied to the skin in a cream or lotion, says WH beauty expert Elizabeth Dawes-Higgs.

#### Saving face

We reckon you're up to speed on spray tans but what about all those products out there now for tanning your face? Facial tanning products help colour match your face and neck to a freshly fake tanned body, and eliminate the need for applying excess bronzer – a minefield in itself. A quick application to your face, neck and decolletage will



also give you a fresh glow when you don't have time to coat your body. To achieve a look that's more golden honey than Vegemite moustache, exfoliate your face first to slough away dry skin and create an even base, says Dr Dawes-Higgs. "Use a daily tanning moisturiser that gradually builds colour to the face. Apply every night over your regular moisturiser and once you've achieved the right shade drop back to applying once or twice a week, after exfoliating, to maintain your glow," says expert facialist and beauty therapist Jocelyn Petroni from The Facial Room, Sydney. Try: St. Tropez Everyday Face (\$33.95). Alternatively mix a facial tanning product with your regular facial moisturiser to ensure a subtle effect, suggests Dr Dawes-Higgs. Clever tip: remove excess product from your eyebrows with a clean toothbrush to avoid hair follicles grabbing the colour, says Petroni. Good to know.

Get a real golden glow... a tanning product from US Cosmetics brand, Hard Candy claims to be

infused with 24 carat gold. Not too much, clearly you can buy it at Walmart

Braveheart, bagpipes, haggis... The world record for the most

spraytans in one hour is 78.

It was set in Glasgow. Scotland in 2010. tests it.

Seen these nifty tanning wipes but too nervous to try them? Oh alright, we'll be your guinea pigs...

Alice, Features Assistant: Kate Somerville 360 Body Self Tan Towelettes. \$55 "Jused one towelette on my legs and another on my arms and chest to make sure I was evenly covered. It was really easy to use and dried quickly (meaning I didn't have to depants for too long). Bonus: the smell wasn't offensive, either, I was happy with the results, the colour was natural, but when I saw myself in daylight I noticed my inner arm was white as a winter burn. The invisible application doesn't give away any spots you've missed. I'll definitely try the facial ones. as I think it'd be great for smaller areas of skin."

Felicity, Editor: Dr Gross Alpha Beta Glow Pads, \$45 These are best for using at night and waking up with a hint of glow. I actually got a tad obsessed with people's comments about my 'glow' so I started using them twice daily and

a few days later I looked way too Tahitian, Quick and easy for the time-poor who don't have time to fake tan their whole body. They'll see me through summer and winter."

> Caelia, Beauty Ed: MODELco Self Tanning Glove, \$28 (pack of four) I usually love MODELCO's tanning products, and this did have some definite plusses, but also one drawback. It dried quickly and didn't leave me feeling sticky at all, but when I woke the next day my tan was streaky. I hadn't achieved an even coverage with the glove, missing bits on my arms and legs. I patched it up with gradual tanner over the next two days. I'd say it would be great for quickly topping up a fading tan where you already have even coverage."

Greer, Chief Sub Editor: Tan Towel, \$29.95 (pack of 10) "The results of fake tan can be so dodgy that I don't do it often (OK, it could be my application), but I really liked the Tan Towel. It wasn't messy at all and provided a subtle, natural colour. The downside? You can't easily tell where you've used it so be careful to apply thoroughly over areas you want covered or you'll be streakier than a rasher of bacon."

"I'm up the duff - can I tan?"

DIY tanning with creams and lotions is safe during pregnancy, says Allison Cummins, a lecturer in midwifery at the University of Technology, Sydney. The jury is still out on sprays. If you can't go without a spray tan (hey, they make you feel better when you're feeling frumpy), wear a face mask and opt for organic.

## Bronze medallists

Got a big event? If you're tanning at home, allow 48 hours to prep, says St. Tropez tanning expert, Abbi Hollins. Here's the breakdown: two days before your event, rid your body of any previous tan. Use a loofah or tanning brand scrub to exfoliate. The night before your shindig, exfoliate again in the shower. Dry your body thoroughly and moisturise elbows, knees and ankles, apply tanning product and go to bed. In the morning, shower using a non oil-based shower cream. Try A'kin Uniquely Pure, Unscented Very Gentle Body Wash 225ml, \$14.95. The morning of your event, moisturise head to toe with an essential oil-free product.



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Section 2	St. Tropez Self Tan Bronzing Mousse, \$39.95	pureTan Instant Tanning Lotion, \$29.95	Dior Self Tanning Creme Natural Glow, \$49	Sukin Sunless Bronzing Gel, \$17.95	Avène Moisturising Self Tanning Lotion, \$28.95	Sisley Tinted Body Sun Glow Gel, \$120	Le Tan Coconut Tanning Cream, \$12.99	Dove Summer Glow (400ml), \$10.52
THE SPIEL	This cult tanning mousse is coloured - handy as it provides a guide for even application.	A rapid fake tan that can be washed off after just one hour, however the longer you leave it the longer the colour lasts.	This luxurious cream contains plant extracts that claim to stimulate endorphins, sparking the pleasurable feeling you get from lying in the sun.	A sulfate- and paraben- free gradual tanning gel designed for everyday application, which smells like limes, not "tan".	This hypo- allergenic and non- comedogenic (aka non- clogging) fake tan is well tolerated by irritable skin and can be used for face and body.	This instant tanning gel contains water-soluble dyes and washes off with soap and water. Mother-of-pearl reflects light for a "glowy" look. Palms will be scary until washed!	This newbie from Le Tan has that delicious coconut scent that reminds you of your last holiday.	This supermarket fave is a gradual tanner that takes around five days to enhance your skin's colour.
BEST FOR	Tanning novices as the colour helps achieve streak-free coverage.	Last-minute plans requiring skin on show.	Those who miss the warm fuzzy feeling of sunbaking.	Fair skin types who want a subtle, buildable colour.	Normal and sensitive skin types who otherwise avoid fake tan.	Enhancing already tanned skin.	Fans of the Le Tan Original Tanning Cream; this is the updated version.	Dry skin types, as the daily application of lotion provides skin with added moisture. tolt