

WHERE CLASSICAL WISDOM MEETS INTELLIGENT LEARNING

Chapter 3. Face Masks & Packs for Different Skin Types

(All recipes make one **single-use** face/neck application; multiply x 10 for retail jars. Powders are ultra-fine 120-mesh unless noted.)

1 | Matching Mask Energies to Doṣa-Dominant Skins

Doșa / Skin State	Desired Energies	Go-To Bases	Stop-List Ingredients
Vāta (dry, thin, flaky)	Heavy • Unctuous • Warm	Oat, almond, milk, bala	Strong clay, citrus juice in winter
Pitta (hot, red, pigmented)	Cool • Sweet • Astringent	Sandal, vetiver, lotus, manjishtha	Mustard, high-EO turmeric
Kapha (oily, dull, congested)	Light • Sharp • Rough	Neem, tulsi, lodhra, horse-gram	Thick ghṛita, dairy activator
Combination	Dual—T-zone Kapha, cheeks Vāta	Chick-pea, licorice, rice	Single-note heavy oils
Sensitive / Reactive	Soft • Mild • Cooling	Lotus, aloe, liquorice, marsh- mallow root	Strong scrubs, essential oils > 0.5 %
Ageing / Atrophic	Rebuilding • Warm-moist	Gotu kola, amla, ashwagandha, pearl	Over-drying clays

2 | Signature Lepa / Mask Formulas

A. VĀTA-NOURISH "Almond-Milk Velvet"

Ingredient Quantity

Oat flour $1 \text{ Tbsp} \approx 8 \text{ g}$ Blanched almond meal $1 \text{ tsp} \approx 5 \text{ g}$ Shatavari root (fine) $1 \text{ tsp} \approx 3 \text{ g}$ Bala root (fine) $\frac{1}{2} \text{ tsp} \approx 1.5 \text{ g}$

Activator Warm whole milk + 3 drops sesame oil

Method: Make smooth paste; massage 30 s; keep 15 min; mist if dries; rinse lukewarm.

B. PITTA-CALM "Sandal-Vetiver Soother"

Ingredient	Quantity
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Red sandalwood powder 2 $tsp \approx 6 g$ Vetiver (ultra-fine) 1 $tsp \approx 3 g$ Manjishtha powder $\frac{1}{2} tsp \approx 1.5 g$ Aloe-vera powder (freeze-dry) $\frac{1}{2} tsp \approx 1.5 g$

Activator Fridge-cold rose + cucumber hydrosol

Method: Apply 12 min; keep moist; rinse cool; follow with vetiver mist.

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C. KAPHA-DETOX "Neem-Lodhra Clarity"

Ingredient Quantity

Rice-husk micro-grit $2 \text{ tsp} \approx 6 \text{ g}$ Chick-pea flour $1 \text{ Tbsp} \approx 8 \text{ g}$ Neem leaf powder $1 \text{ tsp} \approx 3 \text{ g}$ Lodhra bark powder $1 \text{ tsp} \approx 3 \text{ g}$ Tulsi leaf powder $\frac{1}{2} \text{ tsp} \approx 1.5 \text{ g}$

Activator Warm water + 3 drops fresh lemon juice

Method: Scrub circles 60 s; leave 1 min; rinse cool.

D. COMBINATION "Rice-Licorice Balance"

Ingredient Quantity

Rice flour 1 Tbsp \approx 8 g Chick-pea flour 2 tsp \approx 6 g Licorice powder 1 tsp \approx 3 g Kasturi turmeric (pinch) \approx 0.25 g

Activator Plain yogurt (T-zone) + rosewater (cheeks)

Method: Thin layer on T-zone, thicker on cheeks; rinse after 10 min.

E. AGE-DEFY "Centella-Pearl Collagen Mask"

Ingredient Quantity

Gotu kola powder 1 tsp \approx 3 g Amla powder 1 tsp \approx 3 g Ashwagandha powder $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp \approx 1.5 g Pearl calcium (mukta piṣṭi) $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp \approx 1.25 g

Activator Lukewarm goat-milk whey + 2 drops kumkumadi oil

Method: Massage upward 30 s; occlude with cling film; keep 15 min; rinse tepid.

F. SENSITIVE "Lotus-Oat Petal Calm"

IngredientQuantityLotus petal powder1 Tbsp \approx 8 gColloidal oat1 tsp \approx 4 gLicorice powder $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp \approx 1.5 gAloe-vera powder $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp \approx 1.5 g

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Ingredient Quantity
Activator Cool coconut water

Method: Apply gel-like layer 10 min (no steam); rinse cool; finish with rose mist.

3 | Application Protocol (Client Card)

- 1. Cleanse with doṣa-matched ubtan (see previous chapter).
- 2. **Steam** 30 s for Kapha / 15 s for others; skip for sensitive.
- 3. **Apply mask** 1 mm layer with wooden spatula; avoid orbital margin.
- 4. Mist every 3-4 min except creamy Vāta mask.
- 5. **Rinse**: Pitta & sensitive * cool; Vāta & Kapha ∏ lukewarm.
- 6. Tone & Seal: hydrosol → serum → light oil/moisturiser matched to doṣa.

Frequency Guide

Skin	Mask Type	Use
Vāta	A, E	2× week
Pitta	B, F	2-3× week
Kapha	С	alt-day or 3× week
Combo	D	2× week
Sensitive	F only	1× week

4 | Shelf-Life & Retail Tips

- Keep powders < 5 % moisture; nitrogen flush for pearl/centella blends.
- Label "Mix fresh. Use immediately. No preservatives."
- Provide separate **activator ampoules** (rose, coconut, hydrosol) for deluxe kits.

5 | Safety & Contra-Signals

Ingr	edient	Caution	Alternative
Turmeric (> 0.5	%)	May stain Fitz-I/II	Swap 0.2 % licorice
Mustard / trikat	u in Kapha scrubs	Hot-sting on sensitive	Use lodhra-charcoal instead
Pearl (calcium)		Check shellfish allergy	Replace with kaolin clay

Patch-test inside forearm 24 h for first-time client.

Key Take-Aways

- 1. **Powder + activator format** lets you customise for season & skin.
- 2. Ratios: Base grain 35-55 % → Active herbs 30-45 % → Boosters 10-20 %.
- 3. Respect doșa energetics—avoid heating agents on Pitta skins, drying clays on Vāta.
- 4. Even the finest mask needs **pre-cleanse & post-moisturise** for full benefit.

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Formulator mantra: "Grain grounds, herb heals, activator directs."

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