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Making Cold Cream With Beeswax

This is an excellent cream to help soften dry skin. It is also very good for removing make up. Leave the cold cream on all night to gently condition your skin.

Ingredients **28.5 gms (1 oz) beeswax (preferably cut into small pieces)**
 57 ml (2 fl oz) distilled (or clean) water
 85 ml (3 fl oz) light medicinal paraffin oil (from chemist)
 1.7 gm (1/16 oz) borax powder
 a few drops of your favourite perfume if desired

Method

You need two small containers such as wide necked glass jars, or coffee mugs. Into one container put the beeswax pieces and the light paraffin oil. Into the other container put the water and the borax.



Place both containers into a large saucepan or a frypan and add as much water around the containers as you can without tipping them over. Heat gently. **Do not use direct heat. Heat only with the containers standing in water.**

Both containers will need the occasional stir, especially the oil and wax mixture which tends to separate into layers. It is important that the two containers be heated together, so they are at the same temperature. When the two containers are both clear and the contents melted, carefully pour one into the other, stir gently, and **Hey Presto!!** white rather runny cream. Stir or whip a bit more to be sure the cream will not curdle, then pour it into a container with a lid, to set. Perfume, if you want to add some, is best added as the cream cools, but before it has set.