

Carrier Oils

Saturated butters

Protecting your carrier oils is an essential part of stocking your raw materials.

The structural nature of oils and fatty acids that make them up determines their oxidative stability, thus, their shelf life. There are three major groups of oils, monounsaturated, polyunsaturated, and solid butters.

Solid butters are the most stable oils, as saturated fatty do not attract oxygen. However, the plant butters also contain a minority of mono and polyunsaturated fatty acids that do need protection from light and heat and excess air.

Combined with the liquid oils, they add richness when making balms and salves.

Saturated butters,

Allanblackia butter
Bacuri butter
Cocoa butter
Cupuaçu butter
Illipe butter
Kokum butter
Kombo butter
Kpangnan butter
Mango butter
Mowrah butter
Mafura butter
Sal butter
Shea butter
 V. paradoxa
 V. Nilotica
Ucuuba butter

Saturated butters, palm group

African oil palm, fruit
African oil palm, kernel
Babassu butter
Coconut oil
Macauba oil (semi butter)
Murumuru butter
Tucuma butter