



# Technical Information Sheet

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## PURE SHEA BUTTER, UNREFINED

INCI NAME: *Butyrospermum parkii* (Shea Butter) Fruit

### SPECIFICATIONS

**APPEARANCE:** OFF-WHITE, BEIGE YELLOWISH

**ODOR:** Characteristic nutty

**MELTING POINT:** 32-38 °C

**PEROXIDE VALUE:** <2 meq/kg

**FREE ACIDS:** 3.5% max

**MICROBIOLOGY:** <20 cfu/g  
**Total plate count @ 48 HRS** No pathogens present

**UNSAAPONIFIABLES:** 6.5% min

**VITAMIN A:** 1966 iv/100 mg

**CINNAMIC ACID:** 0.95

**SAP VALUE:** 133

**CAUTIONS:** This is a natural product that may darken with age. Store in a cool, dry place away from direct light.

**PACKAGING:** 70 kg plastic pails or 25 kg plastic lined cartons.

**DESCRIPTION:** Unrefined shea butter is a natural fatty extract from the kernels of the shea tree from West and central Africa. Our pure, unrefined shea butter is produced using traditional methods and has not been refined. It is a raw, natural product in its purest form.

**USES:** Shea butter is used as a fattening agent in cosmetic products, topical ointments, creams and lotions. It has a high content of unsaponifiables, which give a pleasant smooth feel to the skin and make shea butter most applicable to facial, hand, and body care products. Shea butter is also recommended for cosmetics such as lipsticks and makeup, sunscreens, and products for sensitive skin. In general, shea butter can be used in most oil based products or in the oil phase of cosmetic and toiletry formulations. Here are some suggested uses for our pure, unrefined shea butter: Lip Balms, Lipsticks, Sun Care, Hand and Body Lotions and Creams, Facial Moisturizers, Bath Oils, Soaps, Rubs and Ointments, and Body Butters. It is important to use at least 10% or more pure, unrefined shea butter in a product if you want it to perform better because of the presence of shea butter. Click for more information or to purchase [pure unrefined shea butter](#).