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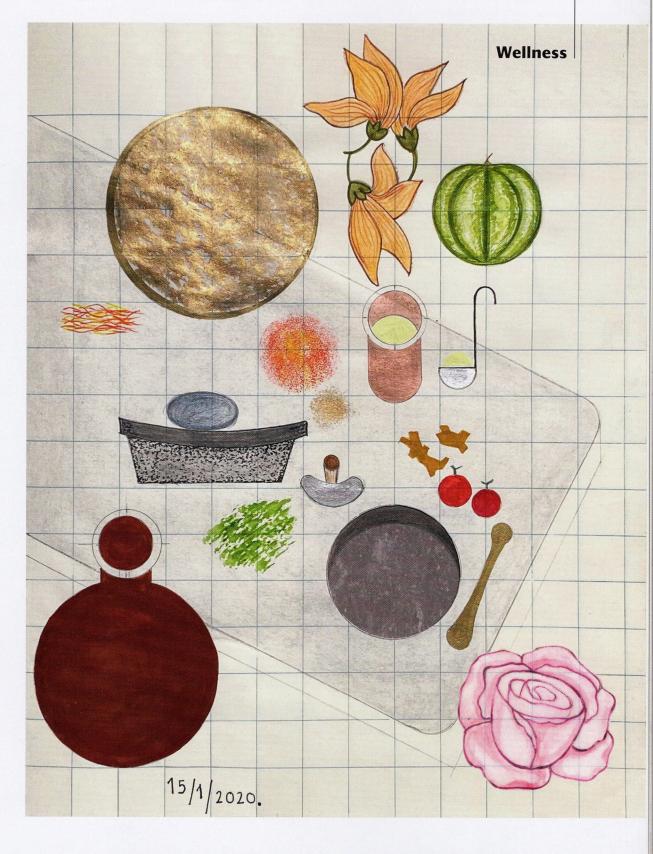
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Inspired by Ayurvedic treatments that harness the cosmetic and nourishing properties of food, Doshi Levien's Beauty Kitchen encourages the use of readily available ingredients, tools and utensils to create homemade natural skincare with zero packaging



Beauty kitchen

Doshi Levien's homemade natural skincare

When Doshi Levien first thought up its Beauty Kitchen concept, we weren't using our homes half as much we have been over the past months during Covid-19. The London design studio was keen to re-think chemically boosted skincare wrapped in excess packaging, and investigate how we can use natural ingredients to cut, smash and grind our own. 'The idea is more relevant than it was when we first proposed it for Re-Made,' says Jonathan Levien when we talk on Skype. 'People are doing more activities at home, and getting creative with the resources

they have. Gardening, in particular, has seen a boom.' Inspired by Ayurvedic treatments, Nipa Doshi has been devising recipes and formulas that use items like chickpea flour, turmeric, milk and lemon to create face masks and scrubs. Kitchen utensils and locally sourced tools and materials, such as marble offcuts, can then be used to transform ingredients into life-enhancing products. The kitchen becomes not only a place to prepare food to eat, but also a lab to create everyday rituals of personal care. **

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