Independent, sustainable, natural skincare brand wins multiple awards!

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We're thrilled to be able to share the news that Balmonds have been well and truly honoured at this year's Green Parent Natural Beauty Awards 2019 and the equally prestigious The Beauty Shortlist Mama & Baby Awards. Our best-selling Skin Salvation balm has also just been shortlisted by the Free From Skincare Awards.

It's a great achievement for us, a small independent business, to have won awards in so many categories with so many different products; in fact, nine different products have won awards, with two Balmonds products scooping wins in both lists. We're delighted that the Green Parent, The Beauty Shortlist and the Free From Awards' independent panels of experts have recognised the quality and effectiveness of our skincare.

Please find press release below.

Best wishes

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PRESS RELEASE

Balmonds Skincare have multiple winners in skincare awards, judged by panels of experts who recognised Balmonds natural skincare products as being effective, gentle and great value for families.

Green Parent honours independent natural skincare brand, Balmonds, with one GOLD and four BEST BUYS in their prestigious Natural Beauty Awards, while The Beauty Shortlist give us two WINNERs, three EDITOR'S CHOICEs and one COMMENDED in their Mama & Baby awards.

WINNERS:

Balmonds Scalp Oil

GREEN PARENT GOLD AWARD: BEST HAIR TREAT

Balmonds Baby Balm

GREEN PARENT BEST BUY: BABY BALMS

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: WINNER BEST BABY BALM

Balmonds Cooling Cream

GREEN PARENT BEST BUY: AFTER SUN

Balmonds Intensive Lip Balm

GREEN PARENT BEST BUY: LIP BALM

Balmonds Rosehip Scar Oil

GREEN PARENT BEST BUY: PREGNANCY MASSAGE OIL

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: EDITORS CHOICE

Balmonds Skin Salvation

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: COMMENDED HEALING BALM

FREE FROM SKINCARE AWARDS: SHORTLISTED (BEST PRODUCT FOR PROBLEM SKIN)

Balmonds Intensive Hand Cream

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: WINNER BEST THERAPEUTIC HAND CREAM

Balmonds Daily Moisturising Cream

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: EDITOR'S CHOICE

Balmonds Chamomile Baby Oil

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: EDITOR'S CHOICE

NOTES FOR EDITORS:

- Balmonds was born out of radical necessity: nothing else worked, so founder Natalie Balmond did it herself!
- After trying several different creams on her toddler's eczema, Natalie found that they either didn't work, carried risks of side-effects, aggravated the condition or stung badly on application. So she made a safe, effective, non-stinging, non-steroidal emollient herself.
- Now an award-winning independent brand, Balmonds specialises in natural skincare for sensitive, dry, allergy- or eczema-prone skin.
- Balmonds skincare is aimed at anyone who wants to feel better in their skin.
- Balmonds highly-rated and trusted emollients are available on prescription (at doctors' discretion) for people who may be prone to eczema, dermatitis, psoriasis and other dry skin conditions.
- Balmonds products don't use petrochemicals, parabens, SLS, PEGs, perfumes or colours
- All Balmonds products are free from nuts, soya, coconut, gluten, lanolin and palm oil
- Balmonds are so confident that their products will make things better that customers are offered a

60-day money-back guarantee for all first time UK purchases

• Balmonds Skin Salvation contains hemp seed oil, which is incredibly rich in the essential fatty acids that eczema sufferers can often be deficient in, so it works long-term as a topical supplement for the skin. Something that paraffin-based emollients cannot do.

- Balmonds Skin Salvation is made with local beeswax, which forms a semi-occlusive protective barrier against allergens; this barrier allows skin to breathe, in contrast to paraffin emollients which are totally occlusive.
- Balmonds have been honoured by Green Parent Natural Beauty Awards 2019, and The Beauty Shortlist Mama & Baby Awards 2019, while our original Skin Salvation balm has been shortlisted in the Problem Skin category by the Free From Skincare Awards 2019.

Stockists include: Waitrose, Ocado, Holland & Barrett

Webstore: www.balmonds.co.uk

Samples of any of our award-winning products are available upon request from Lucy Gulland, PR Manager at Balmonds Skincare: lucy@balmonds.com, 01273 623123.

Our winning products in detail:

Balmonds Scalp Oil
 GREEN PARENT GOLD AWARD: BEST HAIR TREAT

Our scalp oil is a totally natural hair & scalp treatment, formulated as an alternative to synthetic treatments and shampoos which can strip natural oils from the skin and dry out sensitive scalps. This gorgeous, 100% natural blend of botanical oils - anti-inflammatory nettle, calendula and chickweed infused oils; antimicrobial and stimulating tea tree and rosemary essential oils, incredibly nourishing, cold-pressed organic EFA-rich hemp and borage seed oils - gives your scalp exactly what it needs to stay healthy and hydrated.

£14.99 for 50ml

"Finally a product that works for me! Highly recommended." Janet on Trustpilot

• Balmonds Baby Balm

GREEN PARENT BEST BUY: BABY BALMS

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: WINNER BEST BABY BALM

Our wonderful Baby Balm is a versatile product that takes care of all sorts of skin issues! Made with calming lavender, chamomile, safflower and beeswax, this little tin of golden salve works wonders for

nappy rash, dribble rash, teething rash, cradle cap, dry skin behind knees etc. The BEST BUY award recognises what a brilliant all-rounder our Baby Balm is; 100% natural and packaged in a plastic-free recyclable aluminium tin, it can fit easily in a changing bag or handbag and is ready for any little skin emergency! Perfect for parents who want their baby's skincare to be as kind to the earth as it is to their little one's skin.

£7.99 for 50ml

"The best nappy balm you can buy! Keeps my baby's skin in perfect condition." Polly on Trustpilot

• Balmonds Cooling Cream

GREEN PARENT BEST BUY: AFTER SUN

Our innovative Cooling Cream was designed for flushed or inflamed skin, but works as a great aftersun lotion as well. It's exceptionally rich in nutrients and regenerative botanicals, with super-nourishing shea butter, aloe vera to take the heat out of overheated skin, lavender to calm and soothe, and menthol to cool things down! Like all our products, this is a versatile cream; it's great for perimenopausal hot flushes, but it's also treasured as an aftershave lotion, as a soothing balm for sensitive skin after chemo or radiotherapy, or to smooth on shoulders that have caught the sun! £19 for 100ml

"My go-to when I am struggling with my skin in the heat at work! Instantly calms my skin and brings immediate relief." Nicky Bennett on Trustpilot

Balmonds Intensive Lip Balm

GREEN PARENT BEST BUY: LIP BALM

Our best-selling Skin Salvation ointment but in a handy little tube as a deeply hydrating, 100% natural balm for lips and other bits! This unfragranced ointment works as an exceptionally rich emollient to keep lips in soft, smooth and supple condition, protecting them from windchill and feeding them with wonderfully regenerative nutrients from the olive, hemp seed and safflower oils we use. Enriched with biodynamic chamomile, calendula, nettle and chickweed tinctures.

Its BEST BUY award recognises what a great all-rounder the balm is: it can also be used as a smoothing primer under lipstick or as a useful salve for dry skin on the face. It's especially good for streaming eyes and sore noses in hayfever season!

£4.99 for 5ml

"Brilliant lip balm - haven't had any cracks or dryness since using it!" Mrs J Somervaille on Trustpilot

• Balmonds Rosehip Scar Oil

GREEN PARENT BEST BUY: PREGNANCY MASSAGE OIL

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: EDITORS CHOICE

Our Rosehip Scar Oil is extraordinarily effective on stretch marks, post-operative scars, pregnancy-related melasma, dehydrated or fragile skin, and for general softening, smoothing and conditioning of any patches of sensitive or damaged skin. It can be used in pregnancy and postnatally as an all-round nourishing oil. Formulated with regenerative rosehip, soothing lavender, chamomile and palmarosa oils.

£18.99 for 50ml

"Loved this oil. It works wonders on scars. Even the older scars! Definitely worth getting if you have scars you want to get rid of or at least reduce in size/appearance."

Becky - thelifestylebloggeruk.com on Trustpilot

• Balmonds Skin Salvation

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: COMMENDED HEALING BALM FREE FROM SKINCARE AWARDS: SHORTLISTED (BEST PRODUCT FOR PROBLEM SKIN)

This is our original award-winning natural moisturiser, exactly as first formulated by Natalie as an emollient for her daughter's highly sensitive skin. Rich, oil-based and made with beeswax to lock in the moisture that dry skin so desperately needs, and hemp to provide vital EFAs, the ointment can be used by all ages, all skin types and anywhere on the body, making it a one-pot wonder for all skin needs! From £7.99 for 30ml

"Excellent product, only 5 days I can see the improvement on my daughter face. I will definitely recommend this magic product to eczema sufferers."

Rose K on Trustpilot

• Balmonds Intensive Hand Cream

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: WINNER BEST THERAPEUTIC HAND CREAM

A deeply-nourishing but wonderfully gentle cream that Balmonds formulated to keep hard-working hands healthy and hydrated. The soft, shea butter-based cream works both as a protective barrier against environmental irritants and as a super-nutritious boost for skin that needs extra help, feeding it with the essential fatty acids and vitamins it needs to maintain its regular cycle of regeneration and repair. Contains hemp, sea buckthorn, chamomile, calendula, chickweed and nettle oils! From £10.99 for 50ml

"Nothing the doctors gave me could soothe my hands but now they have completely cleared up and are lovely and smooth. I can wear my wedding rings for the first time in over a year."

AC on Trustpilot

• Balmonds Daily Moisturising Cream

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: EDITOR'S CHOICE

Unperfumed, suitable for vegans and free from petrochemicals such as paraffin or mineral oil, this pure

and simple moisturiser can be used by all ages, anywhere on the body and can be applied as often as necessary! Contains our blend of biodynamic herbal tinctures as well as hemp seed oil and shea butter to soften, nourish and hydrate dry or sensitive skin.

From £13.99 for 100ml

"Amazing! Absolute must for psoriasis, a product that you won't be able to live without. This has cleared my psoriasis from head to toe and finally not driven made by constant itching."

Kirsty on Trustpilot

• Balmonds Chamomile Baby Oil

THE BEAUTY SHORTLIST: EDITOR'S CHOICE

A beautifully-scented, multipurpose moisturising oil for all the family! It's especially suitable as a pure and natural alternative to a mineral baby oil, because its gorgeous, calming and deeply nourishing formula contains absolutely no petrochemicals, synthetic fragrances, colours or other additives, so it's perfect for baby's delicate skin. It works brilliantly to lock in moisture during or after bathing, as a soothing baby massage oil or even during cleaning and changing your baby, when it can be used with cotton wool as a gentle, skin-kind and eco-friendly substitute for wipes. £11.99 for 200ml

"Really lovely product so gentle on baby's skin, highly recommend!" Lys-marie W.on Trustpilot