

SKIN TYPE

SKIN REACTION EXAMPLES

1. Tans little or not at all; always burns easily and severely; then peels.

People most often with fair skin, blue eyes, freckles, and white, unexposed skin.

2. Usually burns easily and severely (painful burn); tans minimally and lightly; also peels.

People with fair skin, blue or hazel eyes, blonde or red hair, and white, unexposed skin.

3. Burns moderately; gains average tan.

Average Caucasian, with white unexposed skin.

4. Burns minimally; tans easily and above average with each exposure; exhibits IPD (immediate pigment darkening) reaction.

People with light or brown skin, dark-brown hair, and dark eyes, and whose unexposed skin is white or light brown (Asians, Hispanics and Mediterraneans).

5. Rarely burns; tans easily and substantially; always exhibits IPD reaction.

Brown-skinned persons whose unexposed skin is brown (East Indians, Hispanics, etc.).

6. Tans profusely and never burns; exhibits IPD reaction.

Persons with black skin (Africans and African Americans, Australians and South Indian Aborigines).

[Skin-Typing Chart]