

TRADITIONAL REMEDIES, COSMETICS, AND OTHER PRODUCTS REPORTED TO CONTAIN LEAD

NAME	COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	CLAIMED USEAGE
Region: Latin America (i.e. Mexico, Dominican Republic, etc.)		
Albayalde, Albayaidle (<i>white powder</i>)	Mexico / Central America	Empacho (vomiting, colic), apathy, and lethargy
Alarcon, Azarcon, Coral Luiga, Liga, Maria Luisa, Rueda (<i>red-orange powder</i>)	Mexico	Empacho (vomiting, colic)
Estomaquil (<i>white powder</i>)	Latin America	Upset stomach, indigestion, nausea, diarrhea
Greta (<i>yellow powder</i>)	Mexico	Empacho
Litargirio (<i>yellow powder</i>)	Dominican Republic	Deodorant, foot fungicide, burn treatment, wound healing
Region: Asia & South Asia (i.e. China, Laos, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, etc.)		
Asian Tongue Powder	Asia	Tonic; absorbs toxins
Some Ayurvedic Remedies (<i>esp. some herbal metal-mineral preparations</i>)	India / Pakistan / Sri Lanka / Burma / Bhutan / Mongolia / Tibet / Vietnam	Tonic; infertility, diabetes, joint pains, asthma, and many other medical conditions
Ba Bow Sen (<i>Ba Baw San</i>)	China	Colic pain or to pacify young children
Balguti Kesaria	India	Tonic pill for babies
Bali Goli (<i>Sometimes dissolved in gripe water</i>)	Asia / India	Stomach ache
Some Chinese Herbal Remedies (Some Chinese herbal remedies that are bottled in the United States may contain ingredients imported from Asia)	Asia	Tonic; infertility, diabetes, joint pains, asthma, and many other medical conditions
Chuifong Tokuwan	Asia	Arthritis for adults
Cordyceps	China	Herbal medicine treatment for hypertension, diabetes, bleeding
Deshi Dewa	Asia / India	Fertility
Ghasard (<i>brown powder</i>)	India	Given as a tonic to aid in digestion
Hai Ge Fen	Asia	Digestive and stomach problems
Jin Bu Huan	China	Tonic; insomnia, joint and muscle pain, digestive and stomach problems
Kandu (<i>red powder</i>)	Asia / India	Stomach ache
Kohl, Kajal, Al-Kahl, Surma, Saoott (<i>black powder</i>)	India / Pakistan / Middle East / Africa	Astringent for eye injuries and umbilical stump, teething powder; Cosmetic
Koo Sar Pills	Asia	Menstrual Cramps
Kushta	India / Pakistan	Diseases of the heart, brain, liver, and stomach. Aphrodisiac, tonic
Pay-loo-ah (<i>red powder</i>)	Lao (Hmong) / Vietnam	Fever, rash
Po Ying Tan	China	Herbal medicine used to relief fever, common cold, nausea and vomiting, or sore throat in children
Pushpadhanwa	India	Fertility
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Region: Middle East (i.e. Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Iraq, etc.)		
Alkohol	Middle East	Topical medical preparation; applied to umbilical stump
Al Murrah	Saudi Arabia	Colic, stomach aches, diarrhea
Anzroot	Middle East	Vomiting and diarrhea
Bint al Zahab, Bint, Bent Dahab	Oman / Saudi Arabia / Iran / India	Diarrhea, colic, constipation, and general newborn use
Bokhoor (<i>noqd</i>)	Kuwait	Wood and lead sulfide burned on charcoal to produce pleasant fumes and calm infants
Cebagin	Middle East	Teething powder
Farouk	Saudi Arabia	Teething powder
Kohl, Kajal, Al-Kahl, Surma, Saott (<i>black powder</i>)	India / Pakistan / Middle East / Africa	Astringent for eye injuries and umbilical stump, teething powder; Cosmetic
Santrinj (<i>red powder</i>)	Saudi Arabia	Teething powder
Region: Africa (i.e. Nigeria, Africa, etc.)		
Nzu (Calabash clay, Calabar stone, Mabele, Argile, or La Craie)	Nigeria / West Africa	Morning sickness; special warning to pregnant and breastfeeding women
*Cosmetics: Cosmetics Sometimes Contain Lead		
Henna dye with lead acetate	Middle East	Hair and skin dye
Kohl, Kajal, Al-Kahl, Surma, Saott (<i>black powder</i>)	India / Pakistan / Middle East / Africa	Cosmetic; astringent for eye injuries and umbilical stump, teething powder
Sindoor (<i>orange or red powder</i>)	India	Cosmetic; used in some traditional South Asian ceremonies – applied to the forehead or scalp or sprinkled on religious statues
Srichoornam (<i>yellow or white chalk</i>)	India	Cosmetic chalk made from turmeric and rice powder. Used for religious purposes. Applied to face and sometimes applied to twelve different parts of the body on a daily basis
Other Products: Spices and Other Food Products Sometimes get Contaminated with Lead		
Chapulines	Mexico	Delicacy; Grasshoppers (fried with chili powder)
Chili	Mexico & Other Regions	Chili powder used in imported candies or food
Curry Powder	Asia	Food spice
Khmel Suneli	Georgia / Caucasus Region	Food spice
Lozena (<i>bright orange powder</i>)	Iraq	Food coloring (rice & meat)
Paprika	Hungary / Republic of Georgia	Food spice
Sumac (<i>purple to red powder</i>)	Middle East	Food seasoning
Tamarindo (<i>in lead-glazed containers</i>)	Mexico	Fruit; Often used in chili candy or powdered seasoning
Turmeric	South Asia & Middle East	Food spice or remedy
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* The California Safe Cosmetics Act requires companies that manufacture cosmetics to report any cosmetics products that contain ingredients known or suspected to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm. The California Safe Cosmetics Program (CSCP) collects this data and makes it available to the public. To find out which ingredient has been reported, visit <https://www.safecosmeticsact.org/search>

