

Founded in 1852, Koster Keunen is the world leader in natural waxes and wax technology.

We are a proud, family owned company, dedicated to the development and manufacture of quality ingredients. Our portfolio for the cosmetic industry is specifically designed for all types of personal care products and includes waxes, emulsifiers, esters and their derivatives.

We dedicate ourselves to innovation, ethical sourcing, and sustainability.

NATURAL WAXES

Koster Keunen offers an extensive range of natural and plantbased waxes from around the world. Natural waxes have their own unique properties for a variety of creative formulas.

KESTER WAXES

A family of esters with properties that include emolliency, thickening, plasticizing, viscosity and texture modification.

KOSTOL EMULSIFIERS

A collection of emulsifiers including natural, PEG-free and USDA organic certified options.

ORGANIC WAXES

Koster Keunen offers waxes currently available through the USDA organic program. We have held the USDA Organic Certification since 2008, and were the first wax manufacturer to follow this standard.

SUSTAINABLE BEESWAX

Koster Keunen proudly started the first sustainably sourced beeswax program in the world. Our facility in Lomé, Togo is the headquarters for this program. This is the only beeswax that has a transparent supply chain, dedicated processing facility, and direct relationships with beekeepers. We ensure a living wage for beekeepers and their families, with initial estimates to affect more than 35,000 people in the region. Koster Keunen believes ethically sourcing beeswax is the right thing to do, for everyone.

WAXES

Name	INCI Name
NATURAL WAXES	
Waxes from natural origins	
Bayberry Wax	Myrica Cerifera (Bayberry) Fruit Wax
Beeswax	Beeswax
Candelilla Wax	Euphorbia Cerifera (Candelilla) Wax
Carnauba Wax	Copernicia Cerifera (Carnauba) Wax
Castor Wax	Hydrogenated Castor Oil
Jojoba Wax	Hydrogenated Jojoba Oil
Orange Wax	Citrus Aurantium Dulcis (Orange) Peel Wax
Rice Bran Wax	Oryza Sativa (Rice) Bran Wax
Soy Wax	Hydrogenated Soybean Oil
Sunflower Wax	Helianthus Annuus (Sunflower) Seed Wax
Vegetable Wax	Hydrogenated Palm Oil, Theobroma Cacao (Cocoa) Seed Butter, Cetyl Palmitate

Organic Waxes - USDA Certified	
Organic Beeswax	Beeswax
Organic Carnauba Wax	Copernicia Cerifera (Carnauba) Wax
Organic Emulsifying Wax	Beeswax, Lecithin, Copernicia Cerifera (Carnauba) Wax
Organic Vegan Emulsifying Wax	Theobroma Cacao (Cocoa) Seed Butter, Lecithin, Copernicia Cerifera (Carnauba) Wax

Exfoliating Wax Beads

Naturally Occuring Color Only. Mesh Sizes: 20-40; 20-60; 40-60

Sunflower Wax	Helianthus Annuus (Sunflower) Seed Wax
Carnauba Wax	Copernicia Cerifera (Carnauba) Wax
Kester Wax K-72 Bead	Behenyl Behenate

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PERFORMANCE INGREDIENTS

Name	INCI Name	
KESTER PRODUCTS		
Esters, Emollients, Viscosity & Texture Modifiers		
Kester Wax K-24	Lauryl Laurate	
Kester Wax K-385	Cetyl Myristate	
Kester Wax K-48	Cetyl Palmitate	
Kester Wax K-56	Cetyl Stearate	
Kester Wax K-59	Stearyl Stearate	
Kester Wax K-60P	Polyhydroxystearic Acid	
Kester Wax K-62	Stearyl Behenate	
Kester Wax K-72	Behenyl Behenate	
Kester Wax K-BWR	Behenyl Behenate, Polyhydroxystearic Acid, Euphorbia Cerifera (Candelilla) Wax	

Emulsifiers	
Kostol ApiFree	Behenyl Behenate, Polyhydroxystearic Acid, Polyglyceryl-10 Stearate, Euphorbia Cerifera (Candelilla) Wax, Sodium Stearoyl Lactylate
Kostol Natural E	Behenyl Alcohol, Polyglyceryl-3 Stearate
Kostol NatureMuls	Candelilla/Jojoba/Rice Bran Polyglyceryl-3 Esters, Glyceryl Stearate, Cetearyl Alcohol, Sodium Stearoyl Lactylate
Organic Emulsifying Wax	Beeswax, Lecithin, Copernicia Cerifera (Carnauba) Wax
Organic Vegan Emulsifying Wax	Theobroma Cacao (Cocoa) Seed Butter, Lecithin, Copernicia Cerifera (Carnauba) Wax

Butters, Thickeners & Specialties	
Acid Free Candelilla	Cetearyl Candelillate
Behenic Acid	Behenic Acid
Behenyl Alcohol 2275	Behenyl Alcohol
Behenyl Beeswax	Behenyl Beeswax
Cocoa Butter	Theobroma Cacao (Cocoa) Seed Butter
Cetyl Esters	Cetyl Esters
NaturalAtum	Canola Oil, Ricinus Communis (Castor) Seed Oil, Polyhydroxystearic Acid, Euphorbia Cerifera (Candelilla) Wax, Helianthus Annuus (Sunflower) Seed Wax, Tocopheryl Acetate