

The Fitzpatrick Skin-Type Chart

Genetic Disposition					
Score	0	1	2	3	4
What is the colour of your eyes?	Light blue, Grey, Green	Blue, Grey or Green	Blue	Dark Brown	Brownish Black
What is the natural colour of your hair?	Sandy Red	Blond	Chestnut/ Dark Blond	Dark Brown	Black
What is the colour of your skin (non exposed areas)?	Reddish	Very Pale	Pale with Beige tint	Light Brown	Dark Brown
Do you have freckles on unexposed areas?	Many	Several	Few	Incidental	Dark Brown
Total Score for Genetic Disposition:					

Reaction to sun exposure					
Score	0	1	2	3	4
What happens when you stay in the sun too long?	Painful redness, blistering, peeling	Blistering followed by peeling	Burns sometimes followed by peeling	Rare burns	Never had burns
To what degree do you turn brown?	Hardly or not at all	Light colour tan	Reasonable tan	Tan very easy	Turn dark brown quickly
Do you turn brown within several hours after sun exposure?	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Always
How does your face react to the sun?	Very sensitive	Sensitive	Normal	Very resistant	Never had a problem
Total Score for Genetic Exposure:					

Tanning Habits					
Score	0	1	2	3	4
When did you last expose your body to sun (or artificial sunlamp/tanning cream)?	More than 3 months ago	2-3 months ago	1-2 months ago	Less than a month ago	Less than 2 weeks ago
Did you expose the area to be treated to the sun?	Never	Hardly ever	Sometimes	Often	Always
Total Score for Tanning Habits:					

Skin Type Score

Score	0 - 7	8 - 16	17 - 25	25 - 30	Over 30
Skin Type	I	II	III	IV	V - VI

Type I Highly sensitive, always burns, never tans.
eg: Red hair with freckles

Type II Very sun sensitive, burns easily, tans minimally.
eg: Fair skinned, fair haired Caucasians

Type III Sun sensitive skin, sometimes burns, slowly tans to light brown.
eg: Darker Caucasians

Type IV Minimally sun sensitive, burns minimally, always tans to moderate brown.
eg: Mediterranean type Caucasians, some Hispanics

Type V Sun insensitive skin, rarely burns, tans well.
eg: Some Hispanics, some Blacks

Type VI Sun insensitive, never burns, deeply pigmented.
eg: Darker Blacks

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