

Just Another New Blog

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The Spring Green #17: Original Sprout Review and Giveaway (Ends 4/21)



Original Sprout is a family-run company that offers a line of natural, high-performance hair and skin care products for babies and up. The founder, Inga, is a master stylist who relocated to the coastal valleys of San Luis Obispo, joined the biodiesel movement, built a homeschool at her house, and began a 7-year quest that resulted in the Original Sprout line after the birth of her daughter.

I received six of their amazing products, and I am hooked! I completely agree with the company statement that they perform as good or better than high-end salon brands. My only regret is that I did not come across these fantastic products sooner.

First, Original Sprout products are free of phthalates, phytoestrogens, soy, gluten, parabens, and propylene glycol, with no added dioxanes or formaldehydes. Second, the majority of ingredients are plant derived from natural sources, and the extracts they use are certified organic. In addition, the hair and skin care are vegetarian / vegan and biodegradable. They are not tested on animals. Finally, all smell delicious but without the overly strong, artificial scent that seems typical of most baby products I've tried.

The products come in packaging that has the label information printed directly on the container. All ingredients are fully disclosed on the label. Kudos for that! If you are curious what's in the Original Sprout products but do not have a bottle handy, you can see the complete list of ingredients on their [site](#).

We tried the Hair and Body Baby wash, Deep Conditioner, Miracle Detangler, Scrumptious Baby Cream, Baby Hair Balm, and Children's Curl Calmer. My children absolutely love their new wash and conditioner! Their hair was left smooth and shiny, frizz free, and simply beautiful. Their dry and sensitive skin

was soft and clean, with no irritation. The [Miracle Detangler](#) is a fantastic product for all parents who, like me, need to brush their kids' long unruly tresses in a hurry every morning. My daughter no longer complains when I do her hair, and reminds me to use the "yummy stuff" every time. Thank you, Original Sprout, for helping me win the hair battles!

If your child wants that trendy spiky 'do, then the [baby hair balm](#) is what you need to keep the hair in place all day. Maybe you have a little dancer whose hair needs to stay perfect during a recital or a special event. The balm has a strong hold without being sticky, and even contains organic rosemary to help repel insects.

The [Scrumptious Baby Cream](#) is a wonderful moisturizer that I am tempted to use every time I see it. It's fragrant, gentle on the skin, and even has sun protection built in! This cream is truly scrumptious, and totally irresistible. It is appropriate for every skin type, and just as the baby hair balm, it contains organic rosemary to keep insects away. The cream is pH balanced and effectively hydrates my children's skin as well as my own.

Finally, the [Curl Calmer](#) effectively controls frizz and leaves hair smooth and easily manageable. This product is suitable for all hair types and textures, and protects my kids' delicate hair from breakage. It washes off easily and - just as the baby hair balm - is not sticky or oily.

These [Original Sprout](#) products are perfect for the whole family, and I am not surprised that they have a cult following among the rich and famous in green Hollywood, thousands of children's salons, and mothers who want high-quality, safe products. I have a confession to make - now I am one of these mothers, too.

Deal Alert

Use promo code **FIRST_ORDER_10-U** to get **10% off** your first order at [Original Sprout](#). Plus, all orders over \$35 ship free.

The Giveaway

One lucky reader will win an **Original Sprout Deep Conditioning Gift Basket** which includes a 12-oz Natural Shampoo, 12-oz. Deep Conditioner, 12 oz. Miracle Detangler, 12-oz. Leave-In Conditioner, and and 8-oz. Scrumptious Lotion - a **\$100+ value!**

To enter, please take a look at the [Original Sprout product line](#) and tell me what interests you the most.

For extra entries, feel free to do any or all of the following:

- [join the Original Sprout mailing list](#) - you'll also be entering to win a monthly drawing for a gift basket there - and get 2 entries;
- name a [celebrity](#) who is a fan of their products;
- tell me if there is an [Original Sprout retailer](#) near you;
- follow me on [twitter](#) and tweet about this giveaway – you can do this once a day, feel free to copy and paste: "Win an amazing Original Sprout gift basket - a \$100+ value! #Giveaway ends 4/21 @originalsprout @aitmama #win <http://tinyurl.com/ylyw5rx>"
- follow Original Sprout on [twitter](#);
- go [here](#) and [here](#) for additional ways to get extra entries.

The deadline to enter is April 21, 2010, 11:59pm EST. A winner will be randomly selected and notified by e-mail. They will have 72 hours to get back to me, or an alternate will be chosen. Open to those with mailing addresses in the U.S.

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