# Claims

[Claim 1]

A shea butter fraction satisfying all of (A) to (C):

(A) an iodine value is 55 or less;

(B) a slip melting point is 40°C or higher; and

(C) a content of diglyceride is 22 wt.% or more.

[Claim 2]

The shea butter fraction according to claim 1, further satisfying: (D) a content of diglyceride having one stearic acid and one oleic acid being bonded as constituent fatty acids is 10 wt.% or more.

[Claim 3]

An oil and/or fat obtained by using the shea butter fraction according to claim 1 in an amount ranging from 0.01 to 5 wt.%.

[Claim 4]

An oil and/or fat obtained by using the shea butter fraction according to claim 2 in an amount ranging from 0.01 to 5 wt.%.

[Claim 5]

A water-in-oil emulsion obtained by using the shea butter fraction according to claim 1 in an amount ranging from 0.006 to 3 wt.%.

[Claim 6]

A water-in-oil emulsion obtained by using the shea butter fraction according to claim 2 in an amount ranging from 0.006 to 3 wt.%.

[Claim 7]

A method for producing a shea butter fraction, the method comprising removing a low-melting point fraction by fractionating shea butter, wherein a resultant shea butter fraction satisfies all of (A) to (C):

(A) an iodine value is 55 or less;

(B) a slip melting point is 40°C or higher; and

(C) a content of diglyceride is 22 wt.% or more.

[Claim 8]

A method for reducing an amount of an emulsifier in a water-in-oil emulsion or providing a substitute for an emulsifier in a water-in-oil emulsion, by blending a shea butter fraction satisfying all of (A) to (C):

(A) an iodine value is 55 or less;

(B) a slip melting point is 40°C or higher; and

(C) a content of diglyceride is 22 wt.% or more.