

BEAUTY

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For the cosmetics buff: a statement scent, a library of vibrant hues and something special to beautify the home



1. FLORAL BOUQUET

With a coterie of cool-kid devotees that includes photographer Petra Collins, hip-hop star ASAP Rocky and singer Lana Del Rey, Gucci's Alessandro Michele was the IT designer of 2017. The powdery-floral Bloom, Michele's debut fragrance for the Italian house, gives everyone the chance to be a Gucci girl – or at least smell like one. Gucci Bloom 100ml eau de parfum, \$120 at Shoppers Drug Mart, Hudson's Bay, Sephora, Holt Renfrew and Saks Fifth Avenue (gucci.com).

2. GET LIT

No downtown condo is complete without a signature home scent, especially one that takes you on an olfactory vacation. For the urbane whose heart is in the country, Sisley's Campagne candle instantly conjures the scent of fresh-cut grass, alongside memories of sunny afternoons spent under an old tree. Sisley Campagne Candle, \$90 at Holt Renfrew (holtrenfrew.com).

3. LET IT SNOW

Jean Paul Gaultier's cheeky bust-shaped bottle gets a limited-edition Mrs. Claus makeover this year, complete with festive snow-globe case. The original seductive blend of jasmine, wood and amber is equally as au courant as when it launched in the 1990s. Jean Paul Gaultier Classique Snow Globe Collector 100ml eau de toilette, \$120 at Hudson's Bay (thebay.com).

4. TAKE A BITE

Natural cosmetics long ago shed their rep for bland shades and ineffective formulas. Case in point: Toronto-based Bite's Champagne Discover Set, a bubbly-inspired trio that includes a lip pencil, multistick for eyes, lips and cheeks and lip gloss that will convert any skeptic. Bite Beauty Champagne Discovery Set, \$35 at Sephora (sephora.com).

5. LIP SERVICE

This limited-edition set contains clutch-sized versions of Tom Ford's Boys and Girls lipsticks, each so named for men and women he admires (I may have an unopened Drake in my personal collection). Designed to be worn alone or layered together, Ford's lip products are luxury beauty at its best. A truly extravagant gift. Tom Ford Boys & Girls 50 Piece Set, \$2,200 at Holt Renfrew (holtrenfrew.com).

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FASHION

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If her personal style is a mash up of colour and print, these clothing and accessory picks are boldly perfect

1. BOOT UP

Encourage them to show their stripes in John Fluevog's multicoloured boots. This pair is a roomier take on the brand's familiar Chelsea style, done up in a cheerful, artfully rendered stripe and featuring logo pull tabs for easier wear. Cairo 2.0 boot, \$429 at John Fluevog (fluevog.com).

2. CROSS-CHECK

A sweater can be both novel and elegant – take this brooch-adorned knit number by Miu Miu, for example. Its rich green hue and natty checked pattern are offset by a quirky oversized embellishment. Warmth and whimsy, all in one. Miu Miu sweater, \$3,120 at Holt Renfrew (holtrenfrew.com).

3. FLORAL ARRANGEMENT

This holiday season, say it with flowers. For their fashion-forward Collection offering, J.Crew crafted a playful skirt with silk from famed Italian producer Rafi. A paper-bag waistline makes it extremely comfortable, and the knee-length silhouette works for office and off-duty wear. Collection skirt, \$325 at select J.Crew stores (jcrew.com).

4. SILVER BELLE

You'll see more than a twinkle in their eye when they unwrap this luxe limited-edition trench coat by Toronto-based Comrags. Its foil-like appearance is very on trend, but the classic silhouette and cross-seasonal appeal will make it a year-round favourite. Coat, \$795 at Comrags (comrags.com).

5. PURPLE REIGN

Clare V's lavender suede bag is perfect for the party girl in your life. Its regal hue is framed with bold gold hardware and a crimson lining. Made in Los Angeles, this monogrammed cross-body holds all the essentials for an evening out. Clare V hand-framed bag, \$315 (U.S.) through clarev.com.