













77 great gifts

Our editors selected the most perfect presents for all the wonderful women in your life: mother, sister, daughter, best friend. These are gifts to give with heart or to add to your own shopping list. (We won't tell.)

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COLOUR THERAPY

china teacup for your mother-in-law.

Trend alert: Colouring books aren't just for kids anymore



Perfect for: the armchair traveller The best vacations leave you relaxed and not, you know, broke. This book

allows you to explore cities around the world (including London, Istanbul, Rio) without leaving your couch.

FANTASTIC CITIES BY STEVE MCDONALD, \$20, ROOM2046.COM

STAY CONNECTED



Perfect for: the Cumberbatch fan Until the New Year's special

The Abominable Bride finally airs on January 4, here's how to get reacquainted with Benedict Cumberbatch and co.

SHERLOCK: THE MIND PALACE: A COLORING BOOK ADVENTURE, BY MIKE COLLINS, \$19, CHAPTERS.INDIGO.CA



Perfect for: the stress case If tension follows you wherever you

go, then this book should too. Get lost in the act of colouring and let your worries drift away.

THE MINDFULNESS COLORING BOOK: ANTI-STRESS ART THERAPY FOR BUSY PEOPLE BY EMMA FARRARONS, \$12, URBANOUTFITTERS.COM



Perfect for: the fashion connoisseur

Celebrate Canadian style by colouring designs from Toronto fashion label Comrags. Bonus: it includes notes from designers Joyce Gunhouse and Judy Cornish.

COMRAGS COLOURING BOOK, \$15, OR FREE WITH ANY GIFT CERTIFICATE PURCHASE, COMRAGS.COM —Hania Ahmed















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PUSH UP DRAMA MASCARA

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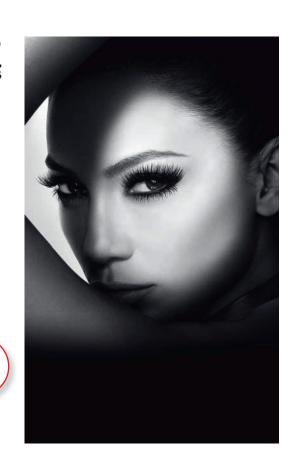
\$8.47

SUPERSTAY BETTER SKIN FOUNDATION

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Superstore big on fresh, low on price.



BASED: Toronto GIG: Co-host of The Social

Lui has been dishing up gossip on Lainey Gossip, her well-loved blog, for more than 10 years. She's also a reporter for eTalk.

WISH LIST: Monogrammed Everlast boxing gloves, \$40, sportchek.ca.

WHY: "I recently started boxing classes. It's great exercise. But there's a downside: You have to use the boxing gloves that everyone else uses in the gym. Which, if you can imagine, is vile. So I've asked for my own pair—but I want mine to be monogrammed. I monogram everything. I monogram my pyjamas, I monogram my towels, I monogram it all. So I intend to box in my own gloves, my initials at the wrist on both hands."



GIG: Principal dancer with the National Ballet of Canada

This month, Ogden plays the role of the Sugar Plum Fairy in the 20th-anniversary production of The Nutcracker.

WISH LIST: A gift basket of products from Refresh Botanicals, \$148 (for full line), drugstores.

WHY: "It's really hard to find a gentle yet effective line of products. Since I'm on stage every night, having great skin and looking my best is so important to my performance."



BASED: Vancouver GIG: Fashion blogger

Grant launched her site To Vogue or Bust after deciding that law school wasn't the best fit for her. Since then, she's worked with big-name brands like Club Monaco, Aritzia and Massimo Dutti.

WISH LIST: Herschel Supply Co. Trade luggage, \$320, shop.herschelsupply.ca. WHY: "I have the matching carry-on to this white Herschel suitcase, and I can't get enough of it. It's already been from Paris to Greece to Ireland just this past year! I would love this stylish accompaniment for all my travels in 2016." —Hania Ahmed

> **TOP** SHELF Stylish books to give and get

Becoming by Cindy Crawford, \$50 The photos are amazing, but it's the model's honesty that

makes this book so special. Take this

quote: "I've worried that calling models girls is a subliminal way of keeping us from growing up and owning our own power.

Diana Vreeland: The Modern Woman by Alexander Vreeland, \$60 The legendary editor's grandson chose the images for this lovely book A standout shoot: Katharine Hepburn and her sisters

rambling around their

family home wearing (very Fall 2015) oversized coats







HOLIDAY

Three fashionable

Canadian women

one gift pick

share their number-













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Earrings add a hit of glamour to every holiday outfit







ELEGANT JENNY BIRD EARRINGS, \$87, JENNY-BIRD.COM



PLAYFUL SWAROVSKI EARRINGS SET, \$89, SWAROVSKI.COM

My Journey by Donna Karan, \$39 The designer recounts her path to stardom with wit and candour. Sample line: "Just about everybody I've ever worked with has seen my breasts. I'm a very hands-on designer—I love to try on everything and I happen not to wear a bra."



creative director of Lancôme, traces the evolution of cosmetics all the way back to ancient Greece, where Athenians used burnt cork and soot to create brow powder.



Fashion Tribes: Global Street Style by Daniele Tamagni, \$44

Female wrestlers in Bolivia, punks in Burma, dandies in Congo-Tamagni trains his lens on fascinating people outside the expected fashion capitals with beautiful, often moving results.

ALL AVAILABLE AT CHAPTERS.INDIGO.CA



KATE HUDSON "Santa Baby (Santa Buddy)" by Michael Bublé "This album is wonderful. It's more contemporary







MARIAH CAREY "The Christmas Song" by Nat King Cole "It just epitomizes Christmas for me.



SARAH GADON "River" by Joni Mitchell "For when you're having that low, sad holiday moment that you know happens.' -Rani Sheen







HERMÈS SCARF, \$415, HERMES.COM









HOW TO BE THE PERFECT GUEST

Lisa Gaché of Beverly Hills Manners answers pressing protocol questions to help ensure you're invited back next year

I've been known to be fashionably late. How late is too late to arrive at a party? "Your window of being fashionably late is technically up to 30 minutes. Any time after that is beyond rude. But it's also important not to arrive early you never know if your hosts need that very last second to get things together."

How many bottles of wine should I bring? "Typically, people will just bring one bottle if they're also bringing a gift. But if you know you're going to a big party and your host is providing food, it's a good idea to show up with one bottle of red and one bottle of white."

My shoes are part of my outfit—can I keep them on at the party? "Some hosts are very persnickety, and they want everybody to leave their shoes at the door. It can be off-putting, but as a guest, you need to do as requested."

How long should I spend at the party? "You should be there for the majority of

the time. Your host has selected you, so you want to make an investment of time and be present. You don't have to close the party down and be the last person to leave, but you definitely want to stay through dessert."

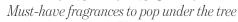
What are your selfie etiquette rules? "You don't need to ask the host if it's okay to take a picture, but posting it is a different story—you never know who didn't make the guest-list cut. So be mindful and quickly run it by your host to make sure it's all copacetic."

What's the biggest party faux pas? "Guests who sit back and have an atti-

tude of 'entertain me.' They're not fully engaged in having fun with a smile on their face. Also, when people who don't feel well go out and refuse to give the host a kiss hello or shake hands. To me, that's an affront. If you're not well enough to greet someone warmly, stay home. As far as using your cellphone, check your tech before you walk through the door. Be fully engaged with people."

What makes a good hostess gift? "In terms of price range, about \$50 and under works-and that's even on the high range. Seasonal entertaining gifts are wonderful: mixing bowls, maple syrup, a set of salt and pepper shakers, a beautiful cheese plate or cheese knives. It's also wonderful to bring something that you've made. If you love to arrange flowers, you can purchase a vase and add a bouquet of flowers. If you're a baker, maybe you have a fabulous recipe for lemon bars that you can present on a beautiful platter. Your host will think of you every time they take it out." —Natasha Bruno







Italian job

The One has been remixed and concentrated for max impact. Bergamot, mandarin and peach blend with lily of the valley and Madonna lily, plus musks and resins.

DOLCE&GABBANA THE ONE ESSENCE PARFUM, \$136 (65 ML), THEBAY.COM



Fashion frenzy

If you missed out on a beaded jacket in the Balmain x H&M collab commotion, grab the latebreaking perfume (spicy and rich with tonka bean, jasmine and sandalwood).

BALMAIN X H&M EAU DE PARFUM, \$50 (100 ML) SELECT H&M STORES



Royal flush

In the 1700s, Creed's founder made scented gloves for Brit royals. Its latest fragrance is equally regal: rose, violet and iris are exalted by patchouli and resinous styrax.

CREED ROYAL PRINCESS OUD EAU DE PARFUM, \$462 (75 ML), HOLTRENFREW.COM



HAUTE HOSTESS GIFTS



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: **IKEA** SERVING BOWL, \$20, IKEA.COM/CA. **MARSHALLS** CHEESE-KNIFE SET, \$13, MARSHALLS. APPETIZER PLATES, \$10 EACH, WINNERS. COM. **MARSHALLS** SALT AND PEPPER SHAKER SET, \$20, MARSHALLS

THIS HOLIDAY'S HOTTEST GIFTS



GIFT WITH



NEW PRADA LUNA ROSSA SPORT EAU DE TOILETTE, 100mL, \$92

Receive* a 200mL body spray with the purchase of any large size spray from the Prada Luna Rossa Fragrance Collection.

PRADA CANDY EAU DE PARFUM, 80mL, \$125

Receive* a Perfumed Soap Set of 3, with the purchase of any large size spray from the Prada Candy Fragrance Collection.



PURCHASE

GIFT WITH GIFT WITH PURCHASE

GIORGIO ARMANI CODE EAU DE TOILETTE, 75mL, \$97

Receive* an Armani pouch with the purchase of any large size Armani mens fragrance.

GIORGIO ARMANI SI EAU DE PARFUM, 100mL, \$130

Receive* an Armani pouch with the purchase of any large size Armani womens fragrance.



GUCCI MADE TO MEASURE EAU DE TOILETTE, 90mL, \$109

Receive* a Gucci Pouch with your Gucci fragrance purchase.



NARCISO RODRIGUEZ FOR HER EAU DE TOILETTE, 100mL, \$123

Receive* a 75mL For Her Scented Hand Cream with the purchase of a large size Narciso Rodriguez For Her fragrance.

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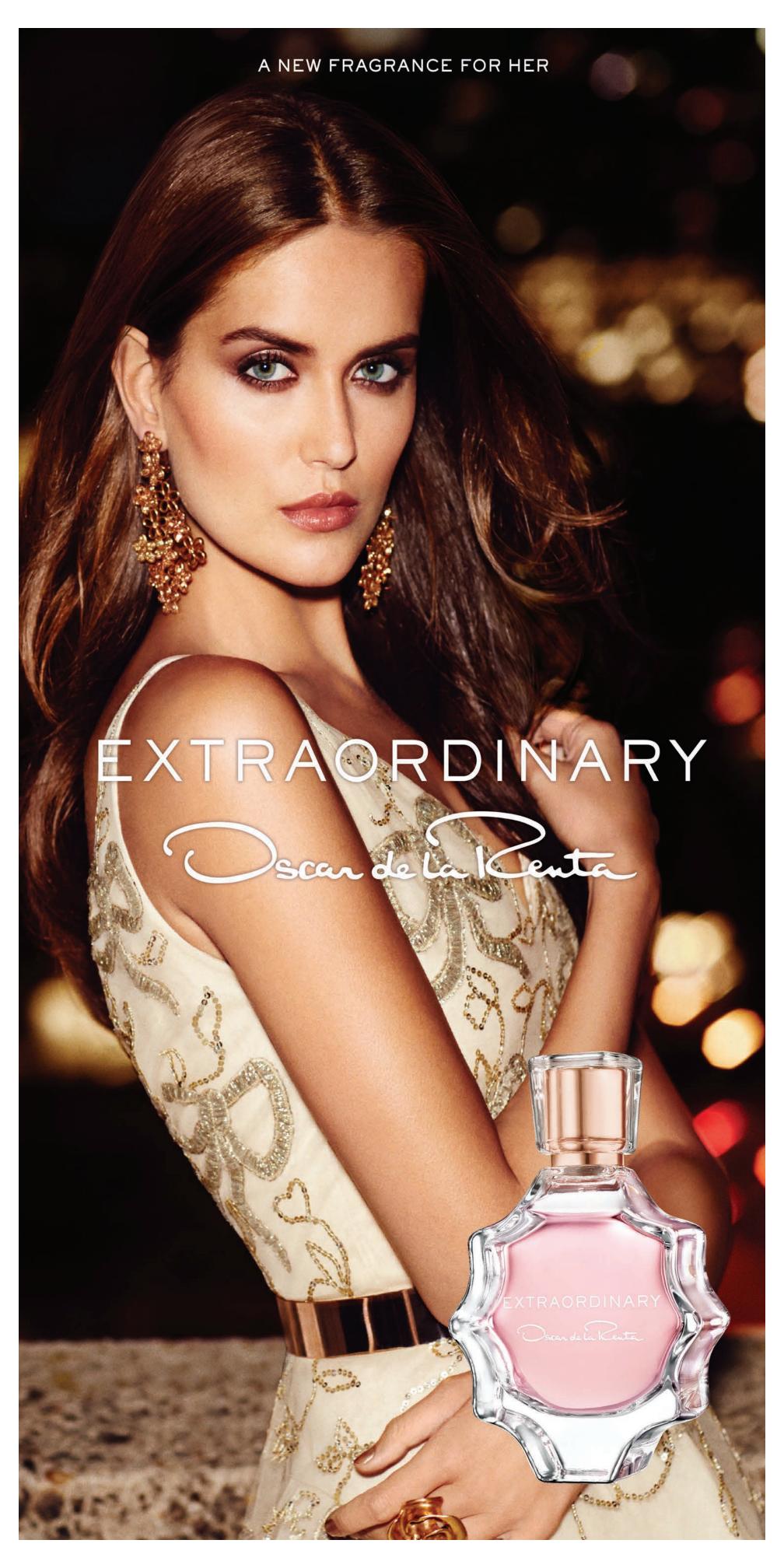












1. Sparkling scent

What's better than My Burberry, a garden-fresh blend of bergamot, quince and centifolia rose? A holiday version with glitter swimming inside and free monogramming!

MY BURBERRY EAU DE PARFUM FESTIVE EDITION, \$135 (90 ML), CA.BURBERRY.COM

2. Hair to the throne

If diamonds are a high-maintenance girl's best friend, this shampoo is the love of her life. With maracuja oil and cypress extract, it's worth its weight

ORIBE GOLD LUST SHAMPOO, \$54, BEAUTYMARK.CA

This bird-topped bottle is an objet d'art that will beautify your dressing table. The opalescent rose lacquer within will make your manicure just as refined.

ANNA SUI NAIL COLOR IN S302, \$15,

4. Incense den

Toronto facialist Julie Clark is known for her oil blends and exfoliating powders. She's mastered incense as well, taking it from hippie to spicyorange-scented chic.

PROVINCE APOTHECARY SWEET ORANGE + BAY INCENSE, \$12, PROVINCEAPOTHE-CARY.COM

5. Mirror, mirror

New Zealand designer Karen Walker (whose sunglasses are worn by cool girls everywhere) has teamed up with Sephora to create this equally stylish tortoiseshell compact.

KAREN WALKER MIRROR COMPACT, \$60, SEPHORA

6. Star powder

Météorites have a cult following among those who worship a candlelit glow. The holiday edition is extra dreamy, with squeal-inducing stars.

GUERLAIN MÉTÉORITES FLOCONS ENCHANTÉS, \$89, GUERLAIN

7. Eye love you

Beauty-box boss Birchbox has launched its own line, LOC (Love of Colour), in collaboration with beauty vlogger Tati Westbrook. The shadow chubbies are so easy to use that no YouTube tutorial is required.

LOC ONE AND DONE SHADOW STICK IN ON POINT AND SMOKE SCREEN, \$12 EACH, BIRCHBOX.CA

These chunky, stripey glycerin-based soaps are handmade in Portland, Maine, smell divine and are almost too beautiful to use. (I mean, look at them.)

WARY MEYERS CEDARWOOD & VANILLA AND OUD WOOD SOAPS, \$16 EACH, BODE-GATHIRTEEN.COM

9. Cream filling

This so-natural-it's-edible moisturizer is made fresh to order in Sydney, Australia (which happens to be my hometown), and shipping is surprisingly inexpensive.

PLANT REVITALIZING BLACK TEA FACE CREAM, \$35, PLANTSKINCARE.COM

PERFECT STOCKING STUFFERS

 $Sometimes\ the\ best-and\ most\ useful-gifts\ come\ in\ small\ packages.$ Three of our editors reveal the compact cosmetics that make a big impact



Natasha Bruno Assistant fashion and beauty editor

"I was afraid to rock this season's dark lip trend until I found this black-plum hue. It's buildable, so I can easily control how subtle or intense I want it to look."

CHANEL ROUGE ALLURE LUMINOUS INTENSE LIPSTICK IN ROUGE NOIR, \$42, THEBAY.COM



Lip love want in a lip colour for holiday.'



'This season, I'm going a bit darker when it comes to makeup. This matte berry lacquer is moody, deep and everything I

SEPHORA COLLECTION LUSTER MATTE LONG-WEAR LIP COLOR IN MULBERRY LUSTER, \$20, SEPHORA.CA

Eye candy



"One swipe fans out lashes for

a look that fits in at the office,

and with a little extra eyeliner,

it's perfect for a party.

RODIAL GLAMOLASH MASCARA XXL, \$29, MURALE.CA



"The moral of this story is to never judge a book by its cover. I mistook this lipstick for a mere gloss and was I ever wrong. It goes on liquid and dries matte to stay in place all night."

STILA STAY ALL DAY LIQUID LIPSTICK IN BESO, \$31, SEPHORA.COM



I love this formula for its ability to separate and intensify every single lash, and the purple hue will enhance my brown eyes with a fun shock of colour. **LANCÔME** GRANDIÔSE SCARA, \$35, LANCOME.COM



"The holy grail in my beauty bag is Chantecaille's mascara. Every morning, I put on a few coats for added length and definition. Plus, it lasts all day, which I find really satisfying."

CHANTECAILLE SUPREME CILS MASCARA, \$60, HOLTRENFREW.COM





"I've never met a nail polish I didn't like. Lately, I've been painting my three middle fingers in black, and leaving my thumb and pinky bare. Proenza Schouler did it first on the Spring 2016 runway, so I'm in good company.'

ESSIE NAIL POLISH IN LICORICE, \$10, ESSIE.CA





"My faves from this cruelty- and 5-free polish collection are the bright cherry hue, Beloved, and

> your nails to your bag." RMS NAIL POLISH, \$15, THEDETOXMARKET.CA







Available at: Shoppers Drug Mart, Sephora, Rexall, London Drugs