The Ten Best Summer fragrances

CHOSEN BY **BETH DADSWELL**

for him or her

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£48 for 50ml

Inspired by gold, the latest Comme des Garçons fragrance, which comes in a glamorous bottle, smells suitably expensive thanks to warm notes of saffron, coriander and amber.
020-7494 6220

2 Sycomore

£140 for 200ml

The perfumer Jacques Polge has reworked a dry, woody scent created by Coco Chanel in 1930. Vetiver, sandalwood, cypress and juniper make this a grown-up unisex choice.
www.chanel.com; 020-7493 5040

3 Eau d'Italie

£65 for 200ml

Magnolia, blackcurrant, citrus and incense mingle to create a fresh and unusual unisex fragrance inspired by the sea breeze of the Amalfi coast town of Positano.
www.liberty.co.uk; 020-7734 1234

4 Basil Splash

£39 for 300ml

This new eau-de-toilette spray from Marc Jacobs is fresh, aromatic and woody with hints of lemon grass, jasmine and orange flower, which develops into a lovely, warm scent.
www.marcjacobs.com; 08006 527 661

5 Lavanda Tonica

£30 for 50ml

A blend of lavender, lemon, bergamot and orange blossom leaves a subtle, fresh smell on your skin that is equally alluring on men and women and is much less flowery than you'd think.
www.acquadiparma.com; 01932 233 861

6 Le Petit Grain

£110 for 100ml

My personal favourite for the summer, this fragrance mixes orange blossom tree oil with lavender and vetiver to create a traditional, cologne-like scent.
www.millerharris.com; 020-7629 7750

7 Cuir Ambre

£140 for 30ml

Scents from Prada's Exclusive range are sold in beautiful leather pouches and can be blended together or worn separately. Available from Prada boutiques and Harrods.
www.prada.com; 020-7494 6220

8 Un Jardin après la Mousson £58 for 100ml

Jean-Claude Ellena's invigorating and androgynous scent for Hermès is inspired by the smell of Kerala after the monsoon. A hint of watermelon is followed by ginger, spices and vetiver.
www.hermes.com; 020-7098 1888

9 Dark Amber and Ginger £59 for 100ml

Unlike the other fragrances here, this is warm and musky, and more suited to the evening. It is inspired by Japanese incense and includes lotus blossom and ginger lily.
www.jomalone.co.uk; 020-7720 0202

10 Eau Sauvage

£31 for 50ml

Created by Edmond Roudnitska in 1966, this scent is inspired by the fresh, clean hit you get from wearing a classic cologne. The subtle citrus notes make it ideal for hot weather.
www.dior.com; 020-7216 0216

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