

COMING OUT: IRELAND'S GLAMOROUS DEBUTANTES

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## Under wraps

Smart post-surgery solutions

## THE HAPPY FACTOR

Kate Holmquist ups her quota

## Sophie Dahl

A woman of substance

**Charity boys**  
The gentlemen who give

# Luxury

Couture gowns, elegant objets, glittering jewels, delicious treats, perfect getaways, bespoke bags, sublime spas ... Heaven on earth

**ONE ELLE OF A FRAGRANCE** Brand new to beauty counters nationwide is Yves Saint Laurent's latest scent for women, Elle, €70 for 50ml. It's a pretty, young scent and we're tipping it to be a sure-fire hit for Christmas. This seductive woody floral contains freesia and peony, plus tantalising hints of lychee, citron and bourbon vetiver.



## Beauty Editor's Choice

Thirty-five years in the making, Ireland now has a dedicated flagship **Guinot Spa**, located at Sam McCauley in Greystones, Co Wicklow.

While it's small enough to be intimate and welcoming, it's not short on luxury. Eight rooms offer signature Guinot treatments like their Hydradermie facial, €59.95, and you can also experience the wonder of a Body Bien Etre treatment, €54.95,

including a dip in a Balneotherapy bath, where the bubbles pile so high you'll feel like Marilyn Monroe in *The Seven Year Itch*. That's not all – one treatment room boasts its own personal sauna, and once pampering is complete, take yourself into the spacious reception area to browse the gorgeous lotions and potions for sale. **KMcD** *The Guinot Spa*, at Sam McCauley, Church Road, Greystones, Co Wicklow, 01 287 2699.



**ATOM BOMB** Yummy Australian brand Urban Rituelle create lavishly packaged, sweetly scented treats. Their *Fragrant Journey* range is designed to be a sensory trip around some of the world's most exotic locations – try Siam Ginger, Persian Jasmeen, or our favourite, Balinese Temple Flowers, a seductive blend of frangipani, gardenia and jasmine, plus notes of orange blossom, vanilla and patchouli. Perfect for the gal who likes to do things a little differently; £35stg each, from the aptly-named [www.myvanitycase.com](http://www.myvanitycase.com).



**I SEA YOU** Gone are the days of soaking in tin baths of seaweed, complete with the ever present fear of lurking sea creatures – this very Irish skincare ingredient is now seriously chic thanks to Voya's new range of bath and body products, featuring certified organic ingredients and wild hand-harvested seaweed. Recreate the bathing experience in the comfort of your own home with the Lazy Days kit, €16, sans crustaceans.

## Beauty before age

Brand new anti-ageing potions debut on counter this month, and there's something to suit all requirements **BEST FOR RESTORING**

**RADIANCE 1** Sisleÿa Radiance Anti-Aging Concentrate, €290, includes prickly pear extract and all-important vitamin A to give a fresher, brighter complexion. It also helps reduce brown spots and improve uneven complexions – and check out that super-luxe packaging too **BEST**

**FOR YOUNG SKIN** Chanel launch Beauté Initiale this month, a collection of skincare aimed at women aged 25-35 and designed to target skin just as it begins to need a little buttressing in the battle against ageing. Five products make up the range – a moisturising **2** Cream or Fluid with SPF 15, €65 each, a deliciously light Spray Serum, €60, Eye Gel, €48, plus the clever inclusion of Fluid Healthy Glow, for a hint of colour, €65 **BEST FOR CRÊPEY CLEAVAGE**

**3** Super Restorative Décolleté and Neck Concentrate from Clarins, €70, immediately smoothes and hydrates, and over time enhances skin texture – plus helps slow down pigmentation and the appearance of age spots **BEST QUICK FIX 4** Give Shiseido's Bio-

Performance Intensive Skin Corrective Programme, €300, two weeks and prepare to be wowed. A combination of serum and single dose balms presented in futuristic packaging, the programme improves skin condition and builds elasticity, adds radiance and promotes smoothness over the course of a fortnight.



**GOLDEN MOMENT** With highlighting powders stamped in their signature zig-zag stripe, this weighty gold metal face compact, Missoni, €65, is a proper luxe treat. Accessorise with the equally nice 'n' stripy lip gloss, €22. Get them before they go, exclusively at Brown Thomas stores.

