



Noir Epices  
(Frédéric  
Malle, \$155,  
3.4 oz)  
Orange,  
geranium,  
patchouli



Corduroy  
(Zirh Intl,  
\$58, 4.2 oz)  
Grapefruit, bay  
rum, vanilla

# Eastern but not standard

Just as you swap gin for scotch when the weather turns cool, switch your fragrance to a smoky, seductive Oriental

Fragrances are classified by family, and like all families, some are warmer than others. Floral fragrances, redolent of jasmine and magnolia, are feminine. Green scents, which smell of pea pods and cut grass, are sporty. Orientals, whose trademark ingredients are amber, patchouli, and exotic spices, are enticing and roguish and "perfect for winter because they announce that change of mood [that comes with the change of season]," says Frédéric Malle, a leading independent perfumer based in Paris. • Some classic Orientals are literally dripping with sex: One of the key ingredients in Jicky—a unisex fragrance named after the Englishwoman who broke the heart of French perfumer Aimé Guerlain in the late 19th century—is a secretion that male civets use to mark their territory. • Jicky, reportedly worn by Sean Connery, and its modern-day descendants are back in vogue. "Luxury products like Louis Vuitton and Gucci are the fastest-growing retail trend. Rich Oriental fragrances fall into that category," says Rochelle Bloom, president of the Fragrance Foundation. So the next time you need to mark some territory, try one of these spicy scents. AMY LEVIN-EPSTEIN



Z Zegna  
(Ermenegildo  
Zegna,  
\$57, 3.3 oz)  
Nutmeg, iris,  
cashmere  
wood



Del Mar  
(Baldessarini,  
\$59, 3 oz)  
Black pepper,  
cinnamon,  
patchouli