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- Candles can seem like a hurried or last-minute holiday gift idea, but, honestly, who doesn't love a candle - let alone a Christmas candle inspired by the season? The
- trick to thoughtfully gifting a candle this holiday is personalizing it to the giftee. If they're a fan of mulled wine, give a holiday candle with notes of spiced cider, cinnamon and star anise. Or perhaps they identify as a Francophile; in that case, gift them Paris in a candle with a Parisian-inspired trio set. And, candles are perhaps one of the best beauty gifts and fragrance gifts you could possibly give

because of their personalization and versatility.

Also, we often overlook the potential mental health benefits of candles. Sure, they smell fantastic, which can brighten both a room and your mood, but the act of lighting a candle can recall special memories, too. "A scent is first and foremost a home away from home, especially in this year of not necessarily being able to see the people you love," says Celine Chappert, founder of Officine Oils of Paris. "Scent is something that can bring people together. It's about rekindling memory and a way to connect us with scents that we don't usually tune into."





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Farmaesthetics Midnight Absolute Candle

As the very first candle from Farmaesthetics, the Midnight Absolute candle is the union between two self-made female founders who together have used their masterful herbal formulation to create a product that's meant to ignite all five senses. Inspired by Farmaesthetics' best-selling Midnight Honey Bath & Beauty Oil, Celine Chappert of Officine Oils of Paris took the essence of the popular oil and added base notes of oud, vetiver and amber for a more complex and sensual experience.



Most impressively though, Chappert studied centuries-old literature to discover what wax ancient herbalists utilized, all in the hope of uncovering a more ecoconscious option. These recipes delivered, in the form of French rapeseed wax — which employs the bright yellow flowers of the same name that Provence farmers used to cleanse their soil from the previous crop. When used as a wax, the rapeseed burns much slower than a traditional soy base, but also cleans the air. The beeswax in the formula is sustainably sourced, too, through a French beekeeper organization that ensures all honey and beeswax are obtained responsibly and safely. Each candle is hand-poured into amber apothecary glass jars with a beechwood wick that quietly crackles when lit, creating an experience for all your senses.



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Byredo Candle Box

Inspired by founder Ben Gorham's personal Indian heritage, Byrdeo's specialedition gift box is the perfect holiday gift for the candle-obsessed person in your life. Using the vivid language of Madhubani painting, the artisanal wooden box is decorated by Bihar-based artist Mamta Devi and features colorful, geometric