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These Signature Hotel Scents Will Make Your Home Smell Extra-Fancy

It's the little luxuries that count

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With all that needs to get done during the holidays—<u>shopping</u>, wrapping, cooking, and White Elephanting—it can be hard to go that extra mile for houseguests. After all, you're already opening up your home. Isn't that enough??? (JK, Mom. It's a pleasure to have you.) While it may not make sense to invest in luxury sheets and extra slippers for folks crashing in your guest room (or, let's face it, on your <u>air mattress</u>), there is one easy way to give your friends and family the five-star luxury treatment they deserve: hotel candles.

From classic rose-scented palettes to decadent woodsy notes, here are seven signature hotel scents we're loving this winter. Some you can purchase from the comfort of your sofa; others require a quick stop by the hotel gift shop. But either way, you can get the aroma at home. And be careful: The scents are so luxurious, your guests might try to order room service.



The Dewberry, Charleston Inspired by the dewberry plant (native to the American South), the earthy blend of Bulgarian rose, French myrrh, cardamom, tobacco, sandalwood, Virginia cedar, and coastal botanicals creates a spicy, woodsy aroma. The scent (available at the hotel gift shop) comes in both a candle and a lotion—which may persuade your sister to help with the dishes.



The Recuerdos candle available at Hotel Emma Photo provided by Hotel Emma Hotel Emma, San Antonio During the winter months, the ultra-trendy and impeccably designed Hotel Emma greets guests with their Recuerdos scent—a smoky, spicy blend evocative of sun-warmed South Texas stone and wood. A fan favorite, it is available as a cologne, a room spray, or a candle in the hotel's gift shop. A great candle that's also a wonderful excuse for a trip to Texas.

Ritz Carlton, New York The iconic hotel's <u>50 Central Park</u> scent features notes of ripe strawberries, elderflower, and mountain mint. The inspiration for this nature-influenced scent, crafted by Antica Farmacista, can be found on a "scent map" of Central Park, <u>here</u>. We suggest you burn this one while your relatives are out doing touristy things. You earned it. Available <u>online</u> (\$23–\$63).