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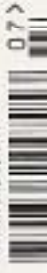


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# RARE TREATS

*From bottled masculinity to magic bandages and little-known cures*

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## 1. MASCULINE FRAGRANCE

Masculinity is not something easily bottled, yet new Italian boutique fragrance company Nasomatto has pulled it off with aplomb. Duro is an unrestrained extract de parfum that hints at spice, wood and leather, though the notes will never be revealed. Like its fans, the complex scent retains a sense of class.

*Duro extract de parfum, €90 for 30ml, by Nasomatto, [www.nasomatto.com](http://www.nasomatto.com)*

## 2. BOTANICAL BATH OIL

While many hop on the botanical skincare wagon, few capture the essence of the alpine landscape like Susanne Kaufmann. Made in Austria's Bregenzer forest, her bath oil blends ylang-ylang, patchouli and lavender and is infused with rosemary grown on her premises.

*Essential Oil Bath for the Senses, €26, by Susanne Kaufmann, tel: 43-664-467-3538 (Austria), [www.kaufmannkosmetik.com](http://www.kaufmannkosmetik.com)*

## 3. PEACHY SKINCARE

Oily skin – on a good day mistaken for a healthy glow – is often a neglected condition. British company Face Boutique has created a collection specifically to treat the problem. The soothing face wash tackles daily grime, while honishing excess oil. We particularly like the handy travel-sized bottle.

*Peachy Clean face wash, £4 for 75ml, by Face Boutique, [www.faceboutique.com](http://www.faceboutique.com)*

## 4. HYDRATING SERUM

Initially drawn to the dropper bottle of this face serum by Antipodes, a New Zealand brand now washing up internationally, we've since discovered the brains behind its beauty. The formula is infused with Sauvignon Blanc grape-seed extracts that are exceptional at preventing skin damage from free radicals.

*Hessania Hydrating Serum, £55, by Antipodes, [www.antipodesnz.com](http://www.antipodesnz.com)*

## 5. FRIENDLY MEDICINE

New York-based Help Remedies targets ailments that don't quite warrant emergency room attention. High-dose tablets of stomach-friendly acetaminophen soothe headaches, while hydrocolloid plasters heal cuts and scrapes faster. Empty kits are compostable.

*Help I've cut myself, \$6; Help I have a headache, \$6, both by Help Remedies, [www.helpremedies.com](http://www.helpremedies.com)*

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