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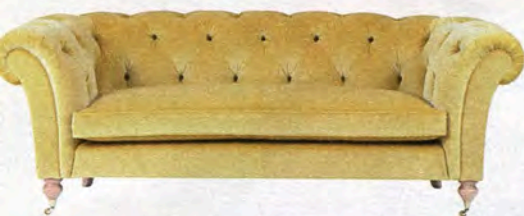
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Design notebook by David Nicholls

DESIGN SCENTS The merits of a scented candle or room fragrance are difficult things to convey on a page. But the design of the new Fornasetti Profumi per la Casa collection, which uses the Italian designer Fornasetti's iconic illustrations, is every bit as important as the collection's olfactory properties. The scent is divine. It has been created by the perfumer Olivier Polge (the son of Jacques Polge, the maker of Chanel No5) and includes thyme, lavender, orris and cedarwood. The collection comprises incense, room sprays, candles and these Scent Spheres (£220 each). From Selfridges (0800-123400; selfridges.com).



BRIGHT SPARK Tricia Guild's 15th book is suitably titled *A Certain Style* (Quadrille, £40), reminding us immediately that there are few designers as revered as Guild for their proficiency with colour and pattern. The wow factor begins before the book is opened: the spine is black, white, silver and lime green, while the edge of each page is painted fluorescent orange. Inside, 13 of Guild's interior projects – from a city penthouse to a Palladian country estate – are explored in detail.



MADE IN BRITAIN Wesley Barrell's Cokethorpe has a deep-button style that exaggerates the chesterfield's plumpness. Shown here is a three-seat version (£2,935, plus 16m fabric) covered in Sanderson's Taormina velvet (£42/m). 01993-893100; wesley-barrell.co.uk.



MINT One of my favourite independent interiors shops is Mint (020-7225 2228; mintsop.co.uk), which was set up by Lina Kanafani in 1998. What really sets Mint apart is its extraordinary mixture of designs from around the world. Kanafani fills the store with the avant garde and the truly exciting, such as this curious-looking 'Pet' by Louise Hindsgavl from Denmark. To vote for your favourite independent interiors store in our Best Small Shops in Britain Awards, with a chance to win a fabulous prize, visit telegraph.co.uk/shopawards before December 10



JEWEL FUNCTION There is a trend at the moment for light fittings to mimic or question the shape, finish or scale of lightbulbs. The latest evidence of this comes by way of the young Swedish designer Eric Therner, who has come up with the Diamond Light (£30), a blown-glass form that houses a small halogen bulb. It can be used with a standard light socket. To mark the end of British Summer Time, Twentytwentyone is offering 15 per cent off selected light collections from October 23 to November 20 (020-72881996; twentytwentyone.com).