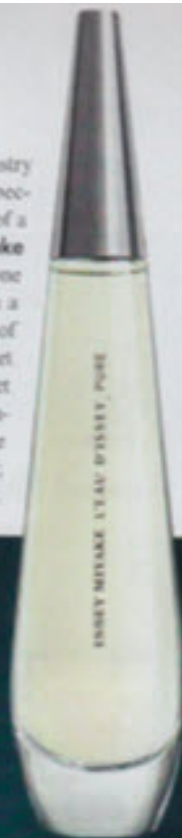


## Into the Deep

**J**apanese fashion designer **Issey Miyake** has been revolutionizing the industry with his single-minded vision since the 1970s. Now, after a major retrospective of his work at the National Art Center, in Tokyo, and the publication of a career-spanning **Taschen** book, he launches a new fragrance this month, **Issey Miyake L'Eau d'Issey Pure**, which embodies the true essence of his ideology. "My touchstone started out being, and is still, exploring the ways by which to make clothing from a single piece of cloth," Miyake says. Drawn from a singular inspiration—one drop of water—a conical bottle forms an elongated droplet that contains the scent. With a fresh floral bouquet of lily of the valley, damask rose, and jasmine, underscored by warm amber notes, the fragrance evokes a golden sea of freshness. (\$108 for 3 oz.; bloomingdales.com) —SUNREE DRINNELL

Beauty



Salon of the Christophe Robin hair salon, in Paris.



A dress from Issey Miyake's spring-summer 1999 collection, from *Issey Miyake* (Taschen). Inset: left, the designer; above, L'Eau d'Issey Pure.

## HUMBLE ROOTS

**A**fter seven years based in Le Meurice hotel, in Paris, **Christophe Robin**, master hair colorist to stars such as **Natalie Portman**, **Léa Seydoux**, **Catherine Deneuve**, and **Tilda Swinton**, has opened his first stand-alone salon, in the historic garment district turned stylish quartier, on Rue Bachaumont. "It's a place of discovery, and I wanted to come back to my real artisan way," Robin says. "I wanted to come back to the old world." The new parlor features four styling chairs and two private cabins for V.I.P.'s, plus a separate boutique where his coveted products are sold. (christophe-robin.com) —S.R.S.

## Joie de Vivre

**W**hen two iconic Parisian houses come together, something magical is bound to happen. **Sonia Rykiel** and **Lancôme** have joined forces to create a makeup collection that captures the spirit of the Sonia Rykiel woman. "She is free in

her imagination. In her choices she is strong and active," explains Rykiel's artistic director, **Julie de Libran**. "She is sensual and full of surprises." In the spirit of that French aesthetic, multicolored stripes decorate the eye-shadow palettes

and lip pencils, and the famed Paris-based graffiti artist **André**—known for his edgy designs—adorned some of the products with a wallpaper of colorful drawings. It's playful, feminine, et très chic. (\$15–\$60; lancome-usa.com)

—AUDREY NOBLE



Products from Lancôme and Sonia Rykiel's limited-edition makeup collection.