

Beauty Reporter



Crown **Jewel**

The notes: Red currant, peony, and a splash of champagne. This month's experts: A fragrance buyer, a fragrance consultant, and a filmmaker. -ALEXANDRA OWENS



"This is a young, springy scent with light florals like peony. It smells like it has staying power and could turn powdery."

-Robert Gerstner, co-owner of Aedes de Venustas



"It's very light, which makes it easy to wear. It's the kind of fragrance you could splash on and it would be mistakeproof."

-Ann Gottlieb, fragrance consultant



"There's an effervescent energy to it—a brightness and juiciness. I keep getting this slightly tart freshness, like red currant or grapefruit."

-Paul Austin, CEO, Austin

Glow Time elf-tanning

pros spend a lot of time thinking about getting it on. (The product, that is.) They've cycled through sprays, rubber gloves, even special mitts in search of the world's best slather. And now one company claims that buffing tanner on with a makeup brush is the optimal approach. Spray di Solé's Sun Gelee Kit comes with an oversize Kabuki brush (dense. soft-bristled, about one and a half inches wide, and with a five-inch-long handle). You pump the

tinted gel onto the brush and swirl it over your face and body in a circular motion, going back to buff out uneven spots as needed. "By blending with this type of brush, you won't get any streak marks like you could with your fingers or a mitt," says spray tanner Anna Stankiewicz of the OC61 salon in New York City. "And the gel formula dries in seconds, so it won't transfer to clothes and stain them or rub off when you cross your legs, like a lotion can," Because it has a bronze tint, it's easy to see if you've missed any areas.

-CATHERINE Q. O'NEILL



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The moment you add even the tiniest bit of bronze makeup, you are instantly sexier, sultrier, and more exotic. And if that flash of bronze is along your lash line, forget it. You're basically Cleopatra (who you know would have worn bronze eyeliner if she wasn't already the historical spokesmodel for kohl). Our favorites: Lorac Pro Cream Eyeliner in Copper (1) and Estée Lauder Pure Color Liquid EyeLiner Duo in Black Sands (2), which are more like liquefied metals than eyeliner and go beautifully with a few coats of black mascara. If you're more interested in a starter bronze liner, Guerlain Eye Pencil in Khôl Me Bronze (3) and Buxom Hold the Line Waterproof Eyeliner in Come Over (4) are subtle, nonshimmery versions that create the same effect but in a less overt way. -DANIELLE PERGAMENT

allure.com: Read full reviews of bronze liners (including some of these) at allure.com/go/product-finder.

Dispense two pumps

of the tanner

onto the center of the

brush to cover a

large area like your

back or stomach;

one pump is enough

for your face.