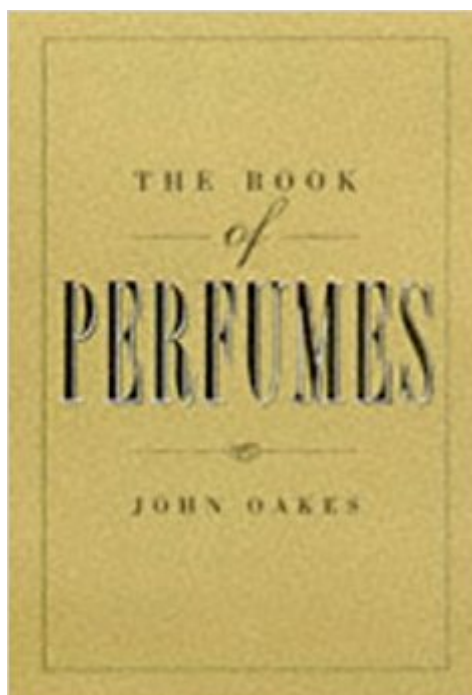


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# The Book Of Perfumes



## Synopsis

In a charming and witty style, advertiser John Oakes expresses his passion for fragrances, his knowledge of their history, secret ingredients, and the power they wield when worn correctly. He answers crucial questions of what to wear when and how without ruining a woman's mystique. Oakes covers more than 170 perfumes and even aligns astrological signs with certain fragrances.

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## Customer Reviews

I really enjoyed reading this little guidebook to perfumes, and continue to dip into it from time to time. I love perfume but have a limited budget, and often enjoy trying out scents through purchases on the internet. It's handy to have an alternative to "Perfumes: The Guide" by Turin and Sanchez. There are just so many perfume options that I collect opinions in the form of guides. It's a great way to figure out what I might like to try next, and in the future. I kept "The Book of Perfumes" at my bedside for a few weeks, so I could read a few entries every night and dream of luxurious scents.

Mr. Oakes must be one interesting guy to meet. His wonderfully detailed descriptions of the essences and their wearers made my mouth water even as it made me laugh. Even if you never buy any of these perfumes, just reading about them makes you want to cover yourself in the fragrances! And ahh, if you are into chypres as he is... The man gives whole little scenarios for each perfume so that you can picture yourself in the deep, dank woods (one of his favorites) covered with Chanel No. 19, or in the sweetly smelling open meadows next to a babbling brook along with

Kenzo's Parfum d'ete, or in the middle of a pungent rose garden...This is fun, informative, and highly recommended. I've been reading and re-reading this for over a year now, just for the sheer fun of it.

I have enjoyed referencing this book over the years. It hasn't got recent perfumes of the 21st century but most before that. I still enjoy this book.

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