

Love NOTES

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WITH CAREFULLY SELECTED COLOR palettes, string quartets, silk table cloths and signature cocktails, weddings are delightfully sensory and thoughtfully crafted to represent the bride and groom. But too often in our nuptial preparations we forget that all-important fifth sense — smell.

Incorporating a signature fragrance into your wedding can be done with as much extravagance or subtlety as you like, but before you debate Single Florals versus Ambers, you have a choice to make. Do you select an existing fragrance — a perfume to honor a relative, or the flowers your fiancé sent after your first date — or do you try something entirely new? If a scent doesn't immediately come to mind, we suggest you create one that's all your own.

Juls Get Lit, the Suwanee candle shop, is the perfect place to start. Owner Juls Green can help turn any idea — even one as vague as the color orchid and the smell of midnight — into a beautiful and delicious-smelling candle that complements your theme and color palette. If you're worried about overpowering your guests and clashing with your flowers, leave those fears at the door. She'll work with your florist to create an atmosphere suited precisely to your taste. [facebook.com/julscandles](https://www.facebook.com/julscandles)

Let **Blend Custom Parfum Studio**, home to Galimard France trained master perfumers, host your bridal party. Nibble on chocolate and sip Champagne while you and your gals create a perfume from the highest quality notes. They'll

even create save the date cards, labels and packaging to match your theme and colors. The coolest part? Blend's perfumers can match any scent, so your candles and perfume will be a flawless match! blendcustomperfume.com

Pst! Bridesmaids! Juls also hosts parties with artists who can help you create a one-of-a-kind gift for the bride, and Blend offers papering packages made with her custom fragrance.

When the big day finally arrives, relax and take time to smell your custom-blended roses. Make sure your photographer captures a photo of you dabbing your scent behind your ear, and surprise the groom before the ceremony by sending him a note and the bottle of cologne you made especially for him. After the toasts are raised and the rice is tossed, send your guests and bridal party home with sweet, scented memories. Fans spritzed with your fragrance and DIY solid-scent perfumes both make charming (and useful!) favors. But if you're not the crafty type, both Juls Get Lit and Blend offer fantastic packages for wedding mementos.

We've all experienced the powerful and vivid memories the smell of rain or fresh linens can evoke. And years from now, when you come home to the scent of the same candles that burned as you said your vows, or when your husband smells the perfume you wore the first time he kissed his bride, you'll both be swept back into the romance of the day you said "I do."

