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# LUXURY FILE

Enchanted earrings ... Worldly golf ... Chocolate for all seasons

**1** **Fairest of all** When you find yourself gazing endlessly into Jay Strongwater's Magdalena mirror, don't worry—it's not vanity. No, this lavish looking glass just demands attention. At 19 inches tall, finished with mauve and ivory enamel and a Swarovski crystal-encrusted ribbon flourish, the Magdalena turns even your most ho-hum beauty regimen into something sprung from a story that begins, "Once upon a time ..."

\$4,500, *Gattle's*, (239) 262-4791.



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**2** **Chocolate** 365 If you'd like to join a new club, but want to be certain the other members share your excellent taste, Norman Love Confections has a delicious solution. As part of its "Chocolate of the Month" program, the

company will deliver 15 indulgent, handmade treats directly to your door on the first of every month. The boxes are appropriately adorned to match the season and include a personalized card. \$650 a year, plus shipping, [www.normanloveconfections.com](http://www.normanloveconfections.com).

**3** **Tee for two** Globetrotting golfers can satisfy their passions with a trip from Terrida, the prestigious Italian leather goods manufacturer. The journey's itinerary includes airfare and luxury accommodations for two, private tours of Venice and the Terrida factory, dinner with the company's president and two custom personalized golf bags, complementing duffels and golf shoes. And, of course, there's golf at the Golf Club Venezia in Lido and at Ca'della Nave in Martellago. \$20,000, *Terrida*, (239) 963-9413.



**4** **Blazing blossoms**

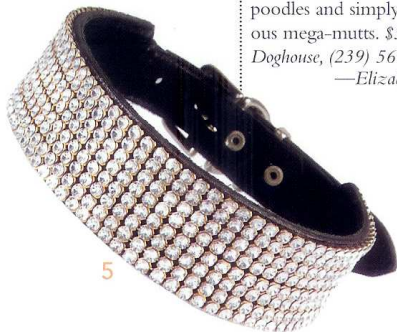
Lest you've forgotten your Homer or Tennyson, DeBeers' new Enchanted Lotus Collection will remind you of that flower's supposedly intoxicating effects. Five designs are available, all with a delicately stylized lotus rendered in white gold and diamond micropave. Each is romantic, but there's something especially mythical about the collection's 1.45 carat hoop earrings. *Items range from \$1,500 to \$4,500. DeBeers*, (239) 254-7989.

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**5** **Posh pooch** Little Fifi is fabulous, but why should she have all the fun—or the bling? It's time the big dogs had a chance to shine. Diva Doghouse's Swarovski collar is two inches wide and has more than 200 crystal studs arranged in eight rows on black leather, making it ideal for larger breeds such as glamorous great Danes, perfectly polished standard poodles and simply marvelous mega-mutts. \$500, *Diva Doghouse*, (239) 566-8880. 

—Elizabeth Kellar



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