Usually he didn't go in for lots of presents. But this year he was determined to let his gifts convey the depths of his feelings for her. He knew where to go although he felt slightly less confident about what to get. He found the compact first. [ESTEE LAUDER EXCLUSIVE COMPACT] "Cute as a button," he thought, "that's what she is." Then he spied the evening bag: [OUR OWN EXCLUSIVE MINAUDIERE] sleek, satin, chic. It was everything she was. When he saw the brooch [MISH BROOCH] he knew he was done. Pinned to her bosom, it would be the eternal reminder that she put stars in his eyes. The only city in the world. The only store in the city.™

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