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Muse. The French capital is a city that inspires on so many levels, hence yielding such a variety of artistic input. For *Rose, C'est Paris* (TASCHEN, \$69.99), French artist Bettina Rheims and writer Serge Bramly start from a fashion sensibility to create a neo-noir photographic monograph, now available in an unlimited trade edition that also includes a feature-length film on DVD. Think of it as a dark, mysterious, slightly surreal and utterly stylish dreamland: a tale of twin sisters involving an abduction, and an ensuing detective story unraveling in the Parisian streets, cafés, museums, cabarets, abandoned factories and grand hotels, with appearances by a slew of fashionable celebrities — from Naomi Campbell and Monica Bellucci to Charlotte Rampling, Azzedine Alaïa, Louise Bourgoïn and Anthony Delon.