



Splash out

Seductive supplies for sagacious sun-worshippers

With summer just around the corner, it's time to seek out the accessories that will bring dash to your poolside posturing. We've found the deckchair with just the right incline, the towel with the perfect pile, and the outdoor rug that will bring the comfort of indoors to the water's edge. But most importantly, we have the tipple to top off a swim. The original beer cocktail, the shandy (both refreshing and hydrates without headache), has had the hipster treatment, with the likes of ginger, grapefruit, lemon, root beer, Earl Grey tea and mint being teamed with artisanal beers. Pale ales and lagers go well with citrus flavours, but they can also complement a dark porter ale, while ginger works with a more golden ale. To give an added twist, turn it into slush, and you have a very modern shush.

GARDEN TOWEL RACK, £459, BY ROSHULTS, FOR CHAPLINS. TOWELS, FROM A SELECTION, BY MARGO SELBY. 'DEEP OCEAN' RUG, £290, BY SHORE RUGS. 'DIAMANTE' PITCHER, €48; 'DIAMANTE BASSO' GLASS, €11, BOTH BY MARIO LUCA GIUSTI. 'NABO' TRAYS, £60 FOR THREE, BY NORMANN COPENHAGEN. 'STACK' OUTDOOR CHAIR, £728, BY GANDIA BLASCO, FOR CHAPLINS. 'FIORDILIGI ORO' WALL TILES, PRICE ON REQUEST, BY BISAZZA. 'MYSTONE PIETRA DI VALS' FLOOR TILES, PRICE ON REQUEST, BY MARAZZI FOR STOCKISTS, SEE PAGE 296