

TWO'S COMPANY

These 'Tandem' sun loungers by Ego from Leisure Plan in teak and aluminium with mesh seats come in a choice of 16 colours. They retail at £1,718. (01279 816001; leisureplan.co.uk)



RUBBED OFF

Wipe off the splashes with these colourful beach towels by Lexington, £49 each. (01494 524681; lexingtoncompany.com)



TEA TIME

Straight out of *Swallows and Amazons*, embrace the outdoor life with this mild steel chitty from Odd Limited, which costs £34 plus p&p (including chain and hook, but not the kettle). (01993 830674; oddlimited.com)



LIFE'S A BEACH

From stripes to shells, embrace the ocean life, say Nicolette Le Pelley and Cheryl Knorr of thehousedirectory.com



DECKED OUT

Getting undressed with dignity on a beach is akin to stepping out of a car with elegance. Preserve your modesty – but attract attention – with this copy of a classic beach changing tent. Shown here in 'Golf deco' fabric, and also available in a blue and white stripe, £145 with free UK p&p. (0845 5001005; deckchairstripes.com)

HOUSE OF SHELLS

Why not add a talking point to your beach house and commission artist Blott Kerr-Wilson to decorate a room for you entirely from shells... Past projects include this shell cabin in Cornwall. (07891 688860; blottshellhouses.com)



PACK A PUNCH WHO SAYS PACKED LUNCHES CAN'T BE SMART? BE THE ENVY OF THE PLASTIC LUNCH BOX BRIGADE WITH THIS COTTON NAVY STRIPE SNACK BAG FROM MUJI, £7.95. (020 7323 2208; MUJI.CO.UK)

