

Bolts from the Deep Blue

Sun, sea, sand, rolls of outdoor fabric... Will the plains take the strain, and are those beach-ready patterns really anything to write a postcard home about?

Only one way to find out! After packing all the holiday essentials, including needles and thread, Gianluca Longo and Marianne Cotterill head to Mustique to create their own little material world. Photography: Kate Martin



Above, clockwise from bottom left: céladon 'Kanumera', £190, Pierre Frey. Ocean 'Pacific', £149, Evitavonni. 'Ishi 227195', £89; 'Truffle 227203', £89; both Sanderson. 'West Bay 48060271', £125.20, Casamance. 'Distill 466615-008', £185, Maharam. Opposite: top iguana's body: 'Stepped Plaid 466632-005', by Paul Smith, £425, Maharam. Limbs: 'Azure Outdoor 0984', by Margrethe Odgaard, £121, Kvadrat. Bottom iguana's body: 'Mesai 3416-01', by Jean Paul Gaultier, £161.70, Lelièvre. Limbs: 'Azure Outdoor 0674', by Margrethe Odgaard, £121, Kvadrat





Left-hand pineapple, skin: 'Tizzano M421802', £196.10, Misia. Underside of leaves: 'Cove F7861-03', £75, Osborne & Little. Top surface of leaves: gold/olive 'Rodeo', £112, Marvic Textiles. Right-hand pineapple, skin: 'Mykonos Z790-03', by Zinc Textile, £110, Romo. Top surface of leaf: verde 'Colma', £210, Schumacher. Underside of leaves: spice 'Café Society', by Madeaux by Richard Smith, £126, Fox Linton



Left-hand tortoise, shell: azure 'Achara', £50, Designers Guild. Flesh: sunshine 'Go for Baroque', by Timothy Corrigan, £147, Perennials Fabrics. Eyelid: moss 'Printemps' brush fringe, £66, Samuel & Sons. Middle tortoise, shell: sky 'Limerence', £120, House of Hackney. Flesh: berry blitz 'Kikko', £147, Perennials Fabrics. Eyelid: moss 'Printemps' brush fringe, as before. Right-hand tortoise, shell: 'Campus 00T1903500', £192, Dedar. Flesh: 'Azure Outdoor 0454', by Margrethe Odgaard, £121, Kvadrat. Eyelid: Mykonos blue 'Printemps' brush fringe, £66, Samuel & Sons



Petals, clockwise from top: red/blue 'Deco Floral', \$230 per yd, Voutsas. Rose 'Karoo', £175, Christopher Farr Cloth. Green 'Super Yacht Stripe', £195, Ralph Lauren Home. Lacquer 'Persian Voyage Majorelle', £122, Liberty. Stamen: sun 'Oceanside' tassel fringe, £75, Samuel & Sons. Fabric and trimming prices throughout are per m and include VAT. For suppliers' details see Address Book. For more information, visit mustique-island.com ©