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Deeply Ingrained

Oddly textured but oh so lustrous, galuchat makes a comeback.

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Galuchat (gal-u-shaw) is the latest texture to grace the fashion runways. Also referred to as *shagreen*, the roughly textured, sometimes bumpy but subtly lustrous surface comes from the skins of sharks or stingrays. It has been a staple in book binding since the 1800s, to ensure a steady grip. Today, the textured leather adorns jewellery, accessories and small decorative items. Our complement includes a dressing tray from **R&Y Augousti**. www.augousti.com | Atop and around the tray, clockwise from top left: **R&Y Augousti** tennis motif jewellery box. | Multicolour clutch from **VBH**. www.vbh-luxury.com | Blue and mint green cuffs tipped with white sapphires from **Deville**. www.devillefinejewellery.com | Burgundy **Rene Lautrec** clutch with gold clasp. www.renelautrec.com | Playing cards box from **R&Y Augousti**. | A pen in 16-carat white gold and black galuchat from **Krone**. www.kronepen.com | Men's **Bottega Veneta** flap wallet. www.bottegabeneta.com | Signature galuchat strap watches for men and women from **de Grisogono**. www.degrisogono.com **45**