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■ 'GESSATI45' WASHBASIN by Gumdesign

A top-mounted sink with a decorative design based on pinstriped suits has to be a first, surely? Breaking new ground in basin aesthetics is Tuscan studio Gumdesign; in its first collaboration with Italian brand Antoniolupi, it has created the 'Gessati45' basin, which begins life as a series of narrow Carrara marble sheets that are glued together with coloured resin. These are then carved and sanded to create the sink's form, in either a round, oval or square shape. The striking result reflects the backgrounds of Gumdesign founders' Laura Fiaschi and Gabriele Pardi, who trained in graphic design and architecture respectively. The pair founded their studio in 1999, and have since worked with the likes of **De Castelli** and Yoox.

'Gessati45' washbasin, from €2,407, by Gumdesign, for Antoniolupi, antoniolupi.it

■ 'REST' LOUNGE CHAIR by Norm Architects

Rather than creating a typical piece of bathroom furniture, the Copenhagen-based studio Norm Architects opted to design a comfortable lounge chair with a shape inspired by the act of resting against a wall. Its low, tubular backrest can be used as a leaning post, while the

circular seat offers a comfy place to stay put. It comes complete with a metal structure and brass detailing, and upholstery is available in black eco-leather or green velvet. 'Rest' lounge chair, €1,647, by Norm Architects, for Ex.t, ex-t.com



■ 'BETTESPACE' BATH by Tesseraux + Partner

It's common knowledge that our living areas are becoming ever smaller and pokier. Whether the challenge is oddly angled walls or a simple lack of square footage, awkward spaces demand clever solutions. Bette has got the bathroom covered, at least, with its space-saving new bath, called the 'BetteSpace'. The concept came from Dominik Tesseraux, who originally trained as a cabinetmaker but went on to found his eponymous, Potsdam-based design studio, Tesseraux + Partner, in 2001. Available in three versions (Small, Medium and Large), the bath is made in a trapezoid shape that tapers at one end to make the most of the room around it. The smallest model acts as a single bath, the next up has space to stand and take a shower, while the largest has room for two people to sit side by side. 'BetteSpace' bath, from €750, by Tesseraux + Partner, for Bette, bette.de

