

HANDMADE IN THE HAMPTONS

CELEBRATE SUMMER WITH THESE FINDS,
CREATED BY EAST END LOCALS

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↑ Save the Sharks with FIN Montauk

"JAWS-" DROPPING JEWELRY

Designer Bella Ornaf is passionate about saving sharks. Once a shark wrangler on Sea Turtle Dive Charters, which takes people shark cage diving off Montauk, Ornaf developed a love for the oft-misunderstood creatures. Her jewelry company, FIN Montauk, features fossilized shark teeth hand-dipped in 18-karat gold or nickeled silver. "You can wear a shark tooth necklace, and the tooth doesn't have to come from a live shark," says Ornaf. All of the teeth are collected from the sea floor, about 200 feet below the water off the coast of North Carolina. Ornaf laments that, while big game hunting has been stigmatized, killing sharks for sport has not. She donates five percent of sales to shark conservation organizations. With necklaces, earrings and cuff links, the line is both bold and versatile, reflecting Ornaf's own style. "I wear jewelry every day, so I wanted FIN to be able to match whatever I have on." finmontauk.com



BRINY GOODNESS

In a pickle for what to serve at your summer BBQ? North Fork-made Backyard Brine Pickle Co. offers a variety of flavors, including dills and bread-and-butters, using fresh, local ingredients. "Our recipes and names are inspired by flavors and people we love," says Cori Kopke, who runs the company with her husband Randy. "I use my favorite breads as inspiration for some of my bread-and-butter flavors, such as our Everything B&B and our Pumpernickel Ry-Ry." Backyard Brine can be found online throughout the Northeast. backyardbrine.com

← Enjoy Backyard Brine at your next BBQ

"Amagansett has a vibrant art community and is close to the great surf breaks of Montauk." —Brian Schopfer

SURF'S UP

BYOB: Build Your Own Board at Grain Surfboards in Amagansett. With three- or four-day workshops, Grain gives people the opportunity to create their own wooden surf board using hand tools. Participants carve their own boards, under the guidance of Brian Schopfer, who runs the shop with Patrick Fleury. Class tuition includes instructions, the board you build, breakfast, lunch and materials. grainsurfboards.com



↑ "Our students have a personal relationship with their boards, because they built them themselves." —Brian Schopfer

INKED DESIGNS

"Everything I do is inspired by the ocean and coastal living," says artist Scott Bluedorn. "My work plays into anthropology and how people relate to the environment." Bluedorn recently created the typography for this Amagansett T-shirt, on sale at Lazy Point Variety Store on Main Street. This isn't his first foray into fashion, but Bluedorn is looking to get more into type design. The artist lives in East Hampton year-round and works mostly in pen and ink. His work has appeared in a number of forms, including posters and album covers. Among his more recognizable designs are the labels for Greenport Harbor Brewing. scottbluedorn.com

← "I'm working more with typography now." —Scott Bluedorn

