



From Top Left Each handmade creation involves gluing leather to the wooden frame, stitching the material to form the handles, tempering steel for an inscribed plaque and attaching it to the finished product Below The Poker trunk stores poker chips, whiskey decanters, glasses and playing cards; A closed view of the trunk and the lock, which is the company's logo, inspired by the jali pattern of Jaipur's royal havelis



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Sturdy trunks make a comeback into the decor scene with new functionalities. We speak to the men behind this revival

Imagine you have a collection of 50 watches, but have no place to stack them, or you are a card games enthusiast and want to take your soirees to the next level. What do you do? Jaipur based Trunks Company has the answer. Founded by brothers Priyank and Paritosh Mehta with French designer Livio Delesgues, the firm revisits the purpose of this vintage artefact, giving it a new lease of life in several avatars. A Bar Trunk to cherish your priced malts, Poker Trunk to entertain guests and a Music Trunk complete with an iPod dock and woofers to play out your favourite tunes. "Trunks are challenging. It takes 600 hours to make a medium sized one and sometimes more than 1,000 hours on a particular piece. It is like art," explains Paritosh. The only such company in India, it aims to give you a prized possession that will be treasured by several generations. ♦ **Tasneem Merchant**

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