

# 10 BEST SUN LOUNGERS

## Soak up the sun in comfort

Nothing beats a siesta in the sun – so just lie back and relax while we find you the perfect sun lounger

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**D**itch your clapped-out deckchair and treat yourself to a new sun lounger. But before you head out to the shops, decide on the following:

**GARDEN OR POOLSIDE** If you like to follow the sun around the garden, choose a lightweight or wheeled design that's easy to move. If you're looking for a poolside lounger, forget the cushions and opt for quick-drying materials that won't be damaged by water, such as Textilene (a stretchy acrylic mesh).

**FOLDING OR FIXED** Think about where you're going to store your lounger. Folding designs are easy to carry and will take up less space in your garden shed during winter. Fixed loungers are more awkward to move and they take up more floor space when it comes to storage, although many can be stacked vertically.

### SHOPPER'S CHECK LIST

✓ **TRY IT OUT** Open the lounger to see how smooth the mechanism is and how easy it is to move, then hop on and stretch out to feel how comfy it is.

✓ **TEST THE RECLINING POSITIONS** Adjustable loungers should have at least five back positions, from upright to flat. Hi-tech designs have spring mechanisms that allow infinite positioning so you can move the back rest to exactly where you like.

✓ **CHECK THE QUALITY** Run your hands over wooden furniture to make sure it feels smooth – lots of knots are a sign of poor quality, and too much glue and filler in the joints means they will deteriorate over time. Ensure that any aluminium is powder-coated to prevent rust and look for 'all weather' woven furniture made of high-density resin, which is stronger and more fade-resistant than PVC.

✓ **THINK ABOUT THE WEATHER** When it comes to cushions, always look for sun and water-resistant fabrics, which won't fade or rot, and zip-up covers that can be washed. If you want to leave your lounger outdoors all summer, go for teak, aluminium or 'all weather' weaves – just check the cushions are removable.



£34.99

#### Deckchair

**Bazaar Stripe, Sainsbury's**

**SAVVY SHOPPER SAYS** Patio, picnic or beach, this classic striped deckchair is the perfect choice if you're on the move. And if you buy a pair, you save money as you can get two for £50 – a great bargain.

Dimensions H82cm x W56.5cm x L84cm  
Material Hardwood with polyester sling



£72

#### Recliner

**Antigua, Wilkinson**

**SAVVY SHOPPER SAYS** Have it both ways with this folding recliner. Lie back and stretch out when you're sunbathing and then sit upright at your table when it's time for lunch, without having to move chairs.

Dimensions H110cm x W58cm x L75cm  
Material Aluminium and weatherproof mesh