

Nail File

Metal Detector

In a season where dressing is punctuated by sumptuous leather, florals, and black-and-white and monochromatic color schemes, nails glazed with luxe metallic tones are the way to go. Standouts like **CND Shellac Midnight Swim**, **Essie No Place Like Chrome** and **OPI Hands Off My Kielbasa!** are ideal for creating ladylike manicures with attitude, making them fast favorites of the polish-obsessed crowd. cnd.com; essie.com; opi.com —K.D.

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Face Value

Scrubbing Bubbles

Using the right exfoliators will remove old skin cells to reveal, younger, brighter and healthier skin.

To keep skin vibrant and youthful, regular exfoliation is key to eliminating accumulated dead skin cells says Lydia Sarfati, **Repêchage** CEO and founder. From chemical peels to manual exfoliators like scrubs, there is a solution for every kind of skin. "Dry skin types can use chemical or manual exfoliators while those with acne-prone and sensitive skin should skip scrubs and go with gentle chemical solutions such as beta hydroxy and salicylic acid," Sarfati says.

A mild chemical peel option from Repêchage is the Biolight Glyco-Sea Glycolic Peel, which delivers intensive resurfacing and renewing in a nonabrasive formula that combines glycolic acid with the company's soothing Laminaria complex containing seaweed extract. The peel helps smooth the appearance of fine lines, scars, sun damage, hyperpigmentation and age spots.

For a scrub, **Sarah McNamara Beauty** offers the paraben-free Miracle Skin Transformer HydroActive Microderm, featuring micro-exfoliants, natural extracts and high-grade micronized magnesium-oxide, all designed to instantly polish the face by gently eliminating dry, flaky skin.

Dermalogica also takes on exfoliation with its Daily Microfoliant—a rice-based enzyme powder—which has been chosen as a top pick by *oprah.com*. Free of artificial fragrance and color, the powder turns into an exfoliating paste when combined with water and is gentle enough for daily use to help remove debris while stimulating cell renewal for improved suppleness. dermalogica.com; miracleskintransformer.com; repechage.com —J.T.



Time to Unwind

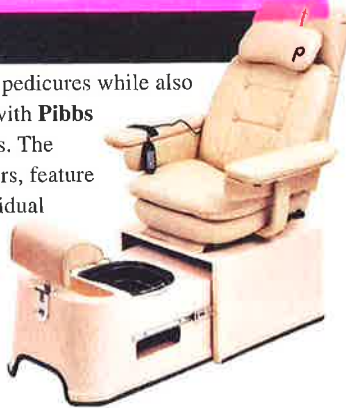
Intended to provide the ultimate relaxing experience for busy, overtired clients, **Aveda's** new Stress-Fix Manicure and Pedicure features the calming aroma of lavender, lavandin and clary sage. The soothing treatment utilizes Stress-Fix Concentrate, Body Lotion and Soaking Salts, along with incorporating massage, cuticle care and polish application. "Guests are looking for a retreat from their fast-paced lifestyles, and we've found everyone benefits from Stress-Fix," says Susan Haise, owner of **Neroli Salon & Spa** in Milwaukee (seen here),

where the treatment has been a popular addition to the service menu. "The manicure and pedicure provide guests with a 15-minute reflexology massage to decrease tension, increase blood flow and circulation and provide relaxation." —L.A.



REST EASY

Ensuring guests are comfortable during their pedicures while also emphasizing a sanitary environment is easy with **Pibbs Industries'** new PS92 and PS93 Footsie Spas. The plumbing-free units, available in several colors, feature drop-in footbaths that can be used with individual liners for each client for a totally germ-free experience. The PS92 (seen here) features a fiberglass base that is completely water-resistant and the PS93 utilizes a wood-laminate base. pibbs.com —L.A.



A LITTLE LUXURY

Boston-area manicure and pedicure chain **MiniLuxe** has just opened its seventh location catering to clients seeking affordable services in an upscale, ultraclean atmosphere. Like all MiniLuxe locations, the one in Hingham, MA, offers luxurious add-ons like a warm-oil massage for hands and feet using oil rendered from the company's custom-blended soy candles, along with waxing and eyebrow services. In its boutique, MiniLuxe sells paraben- and sulfate-free **LemonAide Hand & Body Cream** and **Sugar Scrub** and its signature line of nail polishes that's free of toluene, formaldehyde, formaldehyde resin and dibutyl phthalate (DBP). "MiniLuxe aims to transform the nail industry, providing ultrahygienic, high-quality nail, waxing and beauty services," says CEO and President Sue Thirlwall. —L.A.

