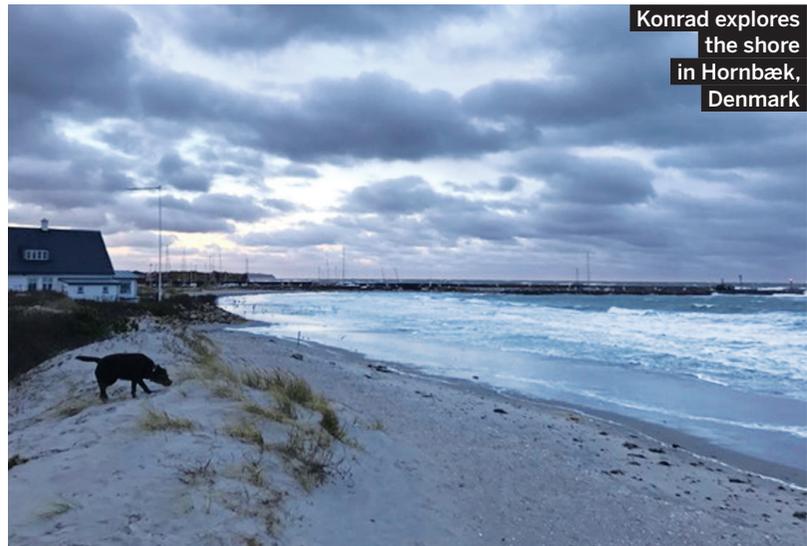




Jacobsen and her dog, Konrad



Konrad explores the shore in Hornbæk, Denmark

“When living near the water, as I do, **waterproof footwear** is a necessity to support a lifestyle of urban needs and a passion for the outdoors.”



A view of Sardinia, Italy



The Rub 1 paisley boot for fall



Up close with a jellyfish



Eggs from Jacobsen's chickens

Ocean seaweed

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ILSE JACOBSEN

The founder of the eponymous Danish brand looks to the good earth for her colorful and functional approach to footwear. **By Barbara Schneider-Levy**

Designer Ilse Jacobsen has channeled Mother Nature for her fall '17 Rub & Rain collection of boots and outerwear. The Scandinavian, who introduced her all-weather collection in 1999, explained: “Nature and the surroundings in Hornbæk, the summer resort village where I live, are the fundamental backdrop and inspirational source for my life and creativity.” Hornbæk, Denmark, is well-known for its small harbor, beaches and dunes, which Jacobsen often explores on morning walks

with her dog, Konrad. She recalled spotting jellyfish and seaweed on her strolls and has incorporated their colors into the collection, along with the dusty tones of eggs laid by her own chickens. But Jacobsen is anything but a homebody. She often escapes to her favorite getaway: Sardinia, Italy. The area’s warm earth tones of red, tangerine and yellow have also figured into her palette, in particular for a series of fall boots done in floral and scaled-up paisley prints.

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