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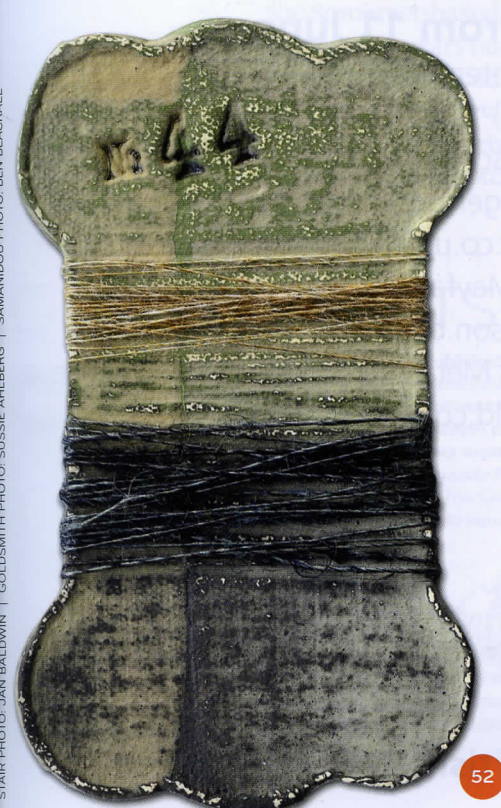
black shale, 2012;  
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**'I thought, why not turn the challenges to our advantage and put the time and effort into doing it all properly?'**

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