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(adjective) LOOSH

Shifty, disreputable, of doubtful morality.

I wonder if I am about to enter Graham Greene country, travelling with mysterious men on **louche** missions.

Janette Griffiths, *Telegraph*, 11 September 2006. *Telegraph*

The game has clearly hit a nerve at a time when the **louche** behaviour of party cadres, many of whom have been accused of taking bribes and spending them on high living, lovers and prostitutes, is being widely publicised.

Richard Spencer, *Telegraph*, 4 August 2007. *Telegraph*

We see the heat and boredom in this blue-collar community, the slobbishness of Scott Ambler's Dino, who knows his wife no longer fancies him and drinks to forget; Michela Meazza's **louche**, tousle-haired Lana, who with one roll of the eyes and sulky loll of the hips lets you know that the "Man Wanted" sign on the garage forecourt is more than just a job ad, and Richard Winsor's meek, sexually indeterminate Angelo, struggling to connect with this hard, heartless world.

Jenny Gilbert, *The Independent*, 15 July 2007. *The Independent*

Mr Richard Worth is the consul for Monaco—a somewhat **louche** principality bordering the Mediterranean, whose only purpose in life is to make money by gambling, and is noted for somewhat dubious princesses.

Dr Michael Cullen, *NZ Hansard*, 6 August 2003.
NZ Hansard

At first glance, these new works seem as dominated as ever by their subjects' cartoonish physical attributes: wistful, pneumatic nudes set in sumptuous jewel-toned environments, their **louche** fecundity echoed in sexualized scatterings of globular fruit and bursting floral arrangements.

Jeffrey Kastner, *The New York Times*, 10 November 2006. New York Times

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