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House Beautiful

**WHAT
EVERY
HOUSE
NEEDS**

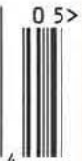
**THE ULTIMATE
CHECKLIST!**

**LIVE BETTER
DECORATE BETTER
FROM YOUR
LIVING ROOM
TO YOUR
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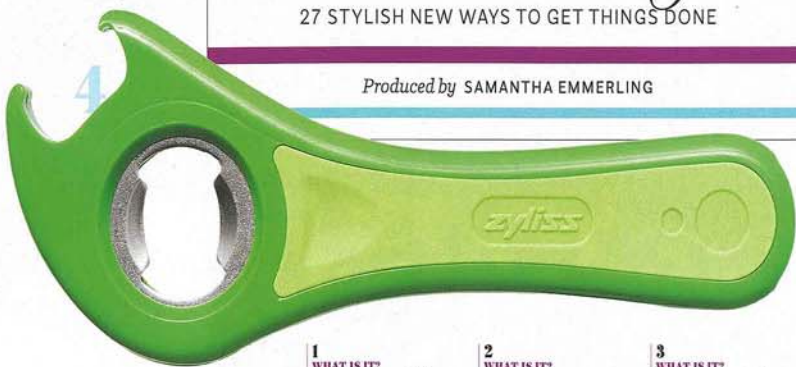


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A Great Gadget

27 STYLISH NEW WAYS TO GET THINGS DONE

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1 **WHAT IS IT?**
Jamie Oliver Flavour Shaker
WHY THIS ONE?
Totally new concept! A ceramic ball pulverizes fresh herbs and dried spices—even cinnamon sticks—with a simple cocktail shaker action. Spoon included.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$30. DKR HOUSEHOLD: 888-794-7623; DKRBRANDS.COM.

2 **WHAT IS IT?**
Potato Masher
WHY THIS ONE?
Faster and easier than a conventional masher. Works with a rotating motion, so no more pounding!
WHERE TO GET IT
\$10. CHEF'S PLANET: 877-703-8889; CHEFSPLANET.COM.

3 **WHAT IS IT?**
Bean French Press Coffee Maker
WHY THIS ONE?
Coffee stays hot longer because of the double wall and locking lid. Fun colors (purple, pink, red, and green to name a few) are a bonus.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$70. BODUM: 800-232-6386; BODUMUSA.COM.

4 **WHAT IS IT?**
Zyliss 5-Way Opener
WHY THIS ONE?
Five functions in one device: pops open bottle caps, lifts soda can pop tops, unseals machine-tightened bottle caps, removes pull-tabs, and breaks the seal of jar lids.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$7. DKR HOUSEHOLD: 888-794-7623; ZYLISUSA.COM.



5 **WHAT IS IT?**
Citrus Reamer
WHY THIS ONE?
Ball-tip design will unleash just about every drop of juice from hard-skinned fruit.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$10. ART AND COOK: ARTANDCOOK.COM.

6 **WHAT IS IT?**
Clitq Garlic Crusher
WHY THIS ONE?
Max capacity! Crushes up to 6 cloves at a time.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$20. PREPARA: 888-878-8665; PREPARA.COM.

7 **WHAT IS IT?**
iceorb
WHY THIS ONE?
Makes 21 ice cubes on a vertical wall, with added storage in the center.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$18. FUSIONBRANDS: FUSIONBRANDS.COM.

8 **WHAT IS IT?**
Salad Dressing Emulsifier
WHY THIS ONE?
One-handed lever makes it easy to whip up a quick vinaigrette.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$16. CHEF 'N THROUGH WILLIAMS-SONOMA: 877-812-6235; WILLIAMS-SONOMA.COM.

9 **WHAT IS IT?**
Tea Swizzle
WHY THIS ONE?
Steep and stir your way to a perfect cup of loose-leaf tea.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$8. LA CAFETIÈRE THROUGH SUR LA TABLE: 800-243-0852; SURLATABLE.COM.

10 **WHAT ARE THEY?**
Salt and Pepper Shakers
WHY THESE?
Designed to go from kitchen to table. Four volume-control settings: slow, fast, pour, or close.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$30 FOR THE SET. OXO: 800-545-4411; OXO.COM.

11 **WHAT IS IT?**
Square Colander
WHY THIS ONE?
Squared-off corners and a single handle (it's ergonomic!) make pouring more natural and more precise.
WHERE TO GET IT
\$12. JOSEPH JOSEPH THROUGH THE CONRAN SHOP: 866-755-9079; CONRANUSA.COM.

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- 12** **WHAT IS IT?** Loop Sponge
WHY THIS ONE? The arch eans. It dries faster, keeps bacteria off your countertop, and scoops away crumbs with ease.
WHERE TO GET IT \$19 FOR A PACK OF TWO. FULL KITCHEN: 866-259-0727. ILLICIRCLEHOME.COM.
- 13** **WHAT IS IT?** Mortar & Pestle
WHY THIS ONE? The grippable mortar and the rounded, palm-nestling pestle make grinding less laborious.
WHERE TO GET IT \$25. CHEF'S PLANET: 877-705-8888. CHEFSPLANET.COM.
- 14** **WHAT IS IT?** Wire Whisk With Loops
WHY THIS ONE? It's all in the loops: they force more air into the mix, so whisking time is cut by up to 80%.
WHERE TO GET IT \$19-\$25. LINDEN SWEDEN: 352-485-0052. LINDENSWEDEN.COM.
- 15** **WHAT IS IT?** Silicone Steamer
WHY THIS ONE? Handles snap together for easy lifting from the pot.
WHERE TO GET IT \$10-\$15. TOVULO: 206-633-8066. TOVULO.COM.
- 16** **WHAT IS IT?** Flex-It Measuring Cups
WHY THESE? The squeezable silicone allows for a more controlled pour.
WHERE TO GET IT \$25 FOR A SET OF THREE. US NORTH AMERICA THROUGH WILLIAMS-SONOMA: 877-812-6235. WILLIAMS-SONOMA.COM.
- 17** **WHAT IS IT?** Box Grater
WHY THIS ONE? Tilting, non-slip rubber feet are elevated so you can view your progress. Surgical-grade stainless-steel blades for effortless grating and slicing.
WHERE TO GET IT \$15. PREPARA: 888-978-8665. PREPARA.COM.
- 18** **WHAT IS IT?** Easy-Pour Kettle
WHY THIS ONE? Spout opens automatically when you lift the handle—no burnt fingers!
WHERE TO GET IT \$80. KUHNRIKON: KUHNRIKON.COM.
- 19** **WHAT IS IT?** Perfect Paring Knife
WHY THIS ONE? Three functions in one graceful little knife: paring, bird's beak, and trimming. Mince and chop, trim and shape, peel and core.
WHERE TO GET IT \$50. SIMPLIKIMAN THROUGH WILLIAMS-SONOMA: 877-812-6235. WILLIAMS-SONOMA.COM.
- 20** **WHAT IS IT?** Timer
WHY THIS ONE? Simpler is better: clean, sleek design that's a cinch to operate. But this is the best thing: it's magnetic.
WHERE TO GET IT \$50. EVA SOLO THROUGH UNICAHOME: 888-898-6422. UNICAHOME.COM.



- 21** **WHAT IS IT?** Sensor Soap Pump
WHY THIS ONE? Hands-free. Automatically senses your hand and dispenses soap or lotion. Four settings to control volume.
WHERE TO GET IT \$60. SHUN THROUGH SURLATALE: 800-243-0852. SURLATALE.COM.
- 22** **WHAT IS IT?** Salad Spinner
WHY THIS ONE? No more pull cords and crank! Just pump the lever for quick drying. Handsome acrylic bowl can double as a serving bowl.
WHERE TO GET IT \$18-\$20. CHEFFN: 888-642-4386. CHEFFN.COM.
- 23** **WHAT ARE THEY?** Wood Trivets
WHY THESE? A set of three sizes to accommodate small to large pots. They nest for sleeker storage.
WHERE TO GET IT \$30. TERENCE CONRAN BY ROYAL DOCKTON THROUGH HOMELICK: 800-643-9990. HOMELICK.COM.
- 24** **WHAT IS IT?** Measuring Spoons
WHY THESE? The oval shape makes it easier to scoop from small containers. Curved handles allow spoons to rest evenly on the counter.
WHERE TO GET IT \$11 FOR SET OF FIVE. CUSIPRO: CUSIPROUSA.COM.
- 25** **WHAT IS IT?** Pro Tong
WHY THESE? Three multifunctional edges: one for gentle handling, one for a firm grip, one for precision tasks. Completely disassembles for thorough cleaning.
WHERE TO GET IT \$20-\$30. US NORTH AMERICA: 800-211-9808. ISI-STORE.COM.
- 26** **WHAT IS IT?** Basting Brush
WHY THIS ONE? Silicone bristles are easier to clean.
WHERE TO GET IT \$7. ART AND COOK: ARTANDCOOK.COM.