



Hinged, solid-maple press produces up to 40 shells in 10 minutes.

### Tart Press Makes Short Work Of Baking

"When I enlisted my husband to help me make a large batch of pastry tarts some time back, he got frustrated because it was such a finicky, time-consuming job. He said there had to be a better way and headed down to his workshop," says Caroline Booy, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

"After a few evenings work, he came up with a neat gadget that presses out tart shells quickly and easily. I went to work making all kinds of tarts and trying it out on all kinds of pastry. It worked so well we refined the idea and applied for patent protection. We made up 20 for a test market and everyone who saw them wanted one.

"The Tart Press is a hinged contraption crafted from solid maple. Between the top and bottom halves are a set of dies that hold either the foil or metal tart forms. To make shells, all you do is make your pastry in the usual way. Then drop a tablespoon of dough into the tin or pan and insert into the Tart Press. The tart shell will be instantly ready to be filled and baked. No need for a rolling pin or messy, flour-covered counters. The tart press will produce about 40 shells in 10 min.

"Our standard 3-in. Tart Press uses 3-in. foil tins and is our most requested unit. We also have a 1 3/4-in. press that uses a mini muffin pan to press out small shells for hors d'oeuvres. Our Sandbakkles press uses individual reusable metal tins. These tins have a fluted edge and can be used for Scandinavian cookies or to make 2-in. pastry shells. Our biggest press is a Small Pie Press that can be used to make 5-in. meat pies or, if



Press is available in three sizes, including this 5-in. model for pot pies.

desired, small 5-in. fruit pies. Church groups use this press to produce thousands of Pot Pies for their fundraiser events.

"We have also put together a collection of recipes in a book called Tasty Tarts & Pies that features over 100 recipes of everything from appetizer tarts to butter tarts to fruit pies and savory meat pies.

"My husband now works full time making presses and I work with him part time. Up until recently we have had a waiting list for our presses but we are beginning to catch up with production and are looking for a wider audience for our products."

The Mini-Tart Press (1 3/4-in. dia.) sells for \$29.95 (Canadian). A Tart Press (3-in. dia.) sells for \$29.95. The Pot Pie Press (5 in. dia.) sells for \$29.95.

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### Tripod Bowl Keeps Ants Out Of Pet Food

Keeping ants out of pet food is easy with these new bowls on tripods.

"Ants Away" pet food bowls feature a specially designed mechanical "collar" around the tripod legs that confuses ants. They won't crawl past the collar and up to the bowl, according to the manufacturer.

The bowls are held 4 to 8 in. off the ground depending on the model.

Available in 1 pt., 1 qt. and 3 qt. sizes selling for \$28, \$32 and \$34, respectively. Also available in a 33-gal. garbage can size for \$26 (you supply the garbage can).

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Gold Canyon Pet Products, 511 West Guadalupe, Suite 23, Gilbert, Ariz. 85233 (ph 800 390-3010 or 602 539-8487; fax 8508; Website: www.goldcanyonpet.com



Design confuses ants so they won't crawl past the "collar" on the legs.



## New Products Especially For Women And The Farm, Ranch Home

### "Robot" Vacuum Cleans House Automatically

A new robotic vacuum cleaner works without a remote control or power cord.

Eureka's prototype "Robot Vac" consists of a 15-in. dia. smooth round disk with a snap-off lid for easy access to the filter bag. A microprocessor and radar act as eyes. The radar senses obstacles and then the processor decides which route to take, working around furniture legs, over electrical cords, and into corner areas. Because the vac is round, it turns on a dime to extricate itself from dead ends.

Once it finds an exterior wall, it hugs the perimeter of the room, completes a 360 degree circuit, then crosses and recrosses the room in a random pattern. It runs for about an hour and a half before needing recharging. The robot stores in a stand which recharges its batteries in about two hours.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, The



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Eureka Company, 1201 E. Bell Street, Bloomington, Ill. 61701-6902 (ph 309 828-2376).

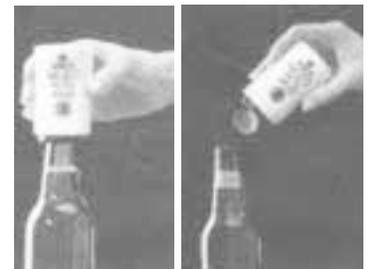
### "Punch And Release" Bottle Opener

Removing bottle caps is fun with the new "Zap Cap" bottle opener.

You just set the unit on top of the cap and punch it with your fist. A spring-loaded metal latch inside catches the cap and flips it off as you take the opener away.

Sells for \$9.99 plus S&H.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, ZapCap Inc., Box 12773, Dallas, Texas 75225 (ph 214 363-8844; fax 9008).



Simply punch the opener with your fist to remove cap.

### Portable Air Conditioner

If you've got a room in your house that you don't use every day - or an office in the barn - you might like this new-style portable air conditioner that's easy to move from room to room.

It mounts on wheels and has a cooling capacity of 6,000 Btu's, enough to cool a 200 sq. ft. room. It features a flexible vent hose that can be run out a window.

It contains a carbon filter that is changed every two years and can be used as a dehumidifier.

Sells for about \$800.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Fedders, 415 West Wabasha Ave., Effingham, Ill. 62401 (ph 217 342-3901).



Unit mounts on wheels to make moving it easy.