

## Handy Machete Works Like An Axe

If you're looking for something to chop brush, trim trees, etc., you'll want to take a close look at the Woodman's Pal, which the manufacturer describes as "a machete with the power of an axe".

The 17-in. long tool is designed to trim, prune, chop, and split. On one side it has a 1/8-in. thick, high carbon steel blade. On the other side there's a small concave blade that will slice through branches up to 1 1/2 in. in diameter with a single stroke. There's also a sharp sickle hook that slices through vines and briars and removes unwanted sprout growth at ground level. The tool's line of balance runs from the grip through the sickle edge for a powerful and comfortable swinging motion, says the company.

The tool can be equipped with either a hardwood handle or a leather grip. Comes with a leather sheath or belt loop.

With a hardwood handle it sells for \$49.95 plus S&H; with a leather grip handle, \$59.95 plus S&H. The belt loop sells for \$8.50; leather sheath for \$19.50.

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There's a long blade on one side and a sharpened hook on the other.



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"Stand-up" funnels hold themselves upright in virtually any size opening. One model has a notch cut across top side of funnel to hold pans for draining.

## Funnel Stands Upright For Hands-Free Pouring

Here's one of those ideas that makes you wonder why no one thought of it before.

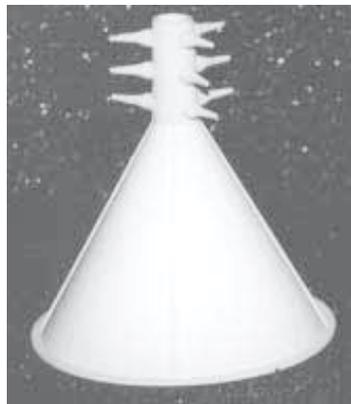
"Stand-up" funnels are designed to hold themselves upright in virtually any size opening.

"They leave both your hands free to pour. There's less chance of spillage and you get done faster," says Donnie Strybos of Titian Technology, Pflugerville, Texas.

The spout of each funnel is fitted with flexible poly fingers that grab onto the opening of the container to be filled. Air inside the container is able to escape between the fingers instead of trying to escape up the funnel, which keeps liquid from sloshing around inside the container as you pour.

"We've made a variety of working prototypes so we know it works," says Strybos. "The funnel can be manufactured to any size. We have one model with a long notch cut across the top side of the funnel, where you can rest a container for emptying. It's ideal for drip draining oil drip pans or even kitchen pots."

Strybos is looking to license the product for manufacturing.



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## "Liner Tongue" Closes Gap Between Pickup Bed And Tailgate

Here's a simple solution to an old problem: Dirt and debris falling through the gap between pickup beds and tailgates.

Made of high strength polyester, the new "Liner Tongue" is a 6-in. wide strip that fastens in place using 10 zinc-plated self-tapping screws. It's designed to be used only on pickups equipped with bed and tailgate liners. You stuff the edges of the material under both the liner and tailgate cover, with 1/2 to 2 in. of overlap. The strip folds down into the gap whenever the tailgate is up.

"It keeps junk out of the gap which might bend the tailgate as you close it and keeps road dust from blowing up into pickup boxes with caps on them," says John Kowalski, Load Hog Industries, Aliquippa, Pa. "We offer it in one size which you trim to fit, using a scissors. It comes in yellow or black and has a lifetime warranty."

Sells for \$29.95 plus S&H.

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"Liner Tongue" is a 6-in. wide poly strip that covers the gap between pickup tailgate and bed.

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## Handy Dump Box Mounts On Tractor 3-Pt.

Hauling feed and other cargo is easy for William Walsh, Kansasville, Wis., who built a 3-pt. dump box to mount on his Fordson 8N tractor.

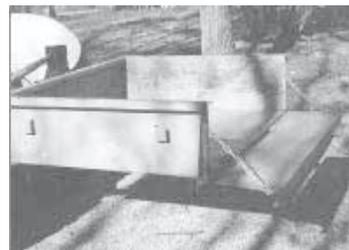
"It works better than a 2-wheel trailer because there's no problem backing up," says Walsh, who raises Watusi cattle and other exotic animals.

He used 1/8-in. thick steel to make a 4-ft. sq. box with 12-in. high sides and a tailgate on back. The bottom center part of the box hinges on a pair of 1 1/2-in. wide steel arms welded to a triangle-shaped bracket that mounts on the 3-pt. Walsh welded a pair of angle irons to the bottom side of the box, one on each side. A pair of 3/4-in. bolts run through the angle irons to form the hinge points.

The box is held in place by a spring-loaded pin that runs through the triangle-shaped bracket. To dump the load, Walsh raises the 3-pt. and then pulls the pin to release the box.

The hinge bolts are positioned slightly forward of the center of the box which makes the box easy to dump. Lowering the 3-pt. and opening the tailgate makes the box easy to load and clean out.

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## Lever Extensions Easy To Make And Use

The hydraulic levers on Dan Capiuk's Case 730 tractor were never long enough for his taste and that made operating them awkward and uncomfortable. To resolve the problem, he simply extended the levers. First he unscrewed the existing knobs. Then he installed a coupler he made from a short piece of pipe (he had put threads inside the ends). Next, he installed a short piece of rod that he had also threaded the end of so the knob could be replaced.

Now the levers sit at just the right height for maximum comfort.

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Capiuk used short pieces of steel rod to lengthen the hydraulic levers on his tractor.

