

Go Anywhere Propane Lights

"They enhance the beauty of any outdoor setting with their soft, golden, adjustable flame. You can take them anywhere," says Kyle Anderson about go-anywhere Red Dragon propane-powered lights. "They burn clean and ride on a 2 1/2-ft. tall two-wheel cart which holds a 20-lb. cylinder."

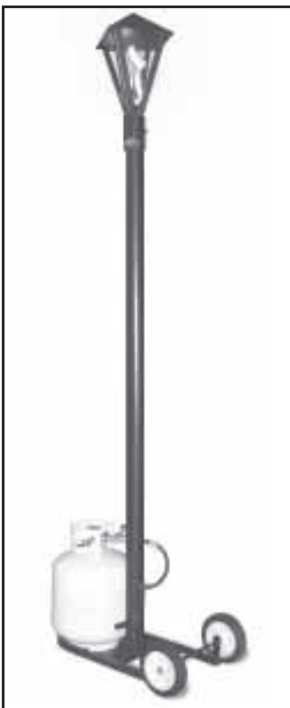
There are eight decorative flame head styles to choose from, many of which are equipped with push button igniters. A flame-adjusting valve makes it easy to adjust the light.

The portable lights retail for about \$240 (U.S.) A full propane tank will provide lighting for approximately 8-10 hrs.

Another company that sells a similar product is Lancaster Lanterns. This portable propane powered light is manufactured by the Amish and distributed across the U.S and Canada. The company refers to theirs as a roll-around dolly shop light. It is 6-ft. tall and produces 500 candlepower. The retail price is \$148. All of their propane products can be modified on request.

Both companies also sell a wide variety of other torch products.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Red Dragon Lights, Flame Engineering Inc., W. Highway 4, LaCross, Kan. 67548 (ph 800 255-2469; website: www.FlameEngineering.com). In Canada, call 877 484-2865 or contact Lancaster Lanterns, 5465 White Oak Rd., Paradise, Penn. 17562 (ph 610 593-2300).



Propane-powered light rides on a 2-wheeled cart holding 20-lb. cylinder.

Dog House Heater

After trying everything on the market to keep his dogs warm in winter, Mike Hill decided to make his own heater. It worked so well he put it on the market, calling it the Hound Heater.

"I've been using mine for years and I've never had a dog destroy or damage one," he says.

The heater is basically a powder-coated metal box with a light bulb in it. A 60-watt bulb produces approximately 230 btu's of heat at a cost of about \$3 a month running 24 hours a day. "I turn it on in the fall and don't turn it off until the bulb burns out or until spring," he says, adding that a good bulb will run about 5,000 hours.

"It's amazing how many people have said, 'I look in on my dog and she's curled up right under it,'" Hill says. He recommends installing it in the upper corner of the dog house.

The Hound Heater comes in two sizes: 9 in. sq. and 5 in. sq. Both sell for \$49.95 plus S&H. An adjustable temperature control is available for \$19.95.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Akoma Dog Products, 16848 239th Ave., Big Lake, Minn. 55309 (ph 763 263-3669; email: mhill@connections-etc.net; website: www.houndheater.com).



A light bulb inside metal box keeps pets warm.

Old-Fashioned Dinner Bell

Tired of hollerin' for the guys to come in for dinner? Save your voice and try an old-fashioned cast iron dinner bell.

Berry Hill Limited has a variety of sizes of bells, including a triangular ringer. A full-sized 15-in. dia. bell on a 20 by 24-in. stand sells for \$149.99.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Berry Hill Limited, 75 Burwell Rd., St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada N5P 3R5 (ph 519 631-0480 or 800 668-3072; email: info@BerryHillLimited.com; website: www.berryhilllimited.com).



Berry Hill offers a variety of cast iron dinner bells, including this locomotive bell.

"Flower Tree" Built From Sprayer Boom

Benny Friesen, Morris, Manitoba, recently sent FARM SHOW a photo of his homemade "flower tree" made out of parts from a Versatile 480 field sprayer.

Benny is a retired farmer and a self-described shop "nut."

The flower tree stands in Friesen's back yard. "It has been a point of discussion in our neighborhood on many occasions. When they first see it, many people want to know how I water the flowers. It's very easy - I just turn on the tap. A small hose leads to each pot," says Benny.

The 3-in. dia. center pipe is set in the ground. A series of arms welds to it with metal loops at the ends for flower pots. There are 36 flower pots in all.

The vertical pipe is braced by four lengths of angled rod. Wooden planks form a base at the bottom of the pipe.

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Followup, Benny Friesen, Rt. 1, Box 16, Morris, Manitoba, Canada R0G 1K0 (ph 204 746-8436).



"Flower tree" was made out of parts from a Versatile 480 field sprayer.



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Are You Collecting Rain Water?

There's more interest than ever in ways to capture rainwater run off in order to use the naturally soft water for gardening or other purposes. You can find out "everything" you need to know at a specialty website: www.rainbarrelguide.com.

The site's full of information about collecting rainwater and the equipment that's available to do it. Some equipment is for sale and there are links to much more.

Double Decker "Car Seat" Stroller

Moving newborns from a stroller to a car seat is a problem every new parent faces. Marshajene Schaaf had double trouble since she had twins. She hated waking up her babies when they were sleeping.

When she couldn't find a stroller that doubled as a car seat, she took a used jogging stroller that a friend gave her, removed the hammock seat, and mounted two car seats between the wheels.

"Everywhere I went, people who saw my prototype wanted one," she says.

Her Double and Triple Decker Strollers are now on the market and feature regulation car seats. "It's the only stroller in the world like it. It also features all-terrain wheels that go anywhere," she says.

Both Double Decker and Triple Decker are 22 in. wide. The Double Decker is 50 in. high while upright, 41 in. when folded and weighs 18 lbs. The Triple Decker is 65 in. high and 50 in. high when folded and 22 lbs.

The Double Decker sells for \$260 for just the frame and \$500 for the entire set including frame, car seats and bases. For the Triple Decker, it's \$340 for the frame and \$700 for the entire set.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Double Decker Stroller, Inc. 19041 Durrance Road, Fort Myers, Fla. 33917 (ph 239 543-1582 M-F 9 a.m.-4 p.m. ET; email: info@doubledeckerstroller.com; website: www.doubledeckerstroller.com).



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Reader Recipes

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The consistency of this is like apple and pumpkin butter, and is used like them.

Peel the bananas and cut into chunks, then sprinkle with the lemon juice. Mash in blender or with electric mixer. Combine with the sugar and spices in a large saucepan. Bring mixture to a boil, then simmer, stirring constantly for 15 minutes. Spoon into hot sterilized jars and seal. Process in hot water bath for 20 minutes for longer storage. Store in a cool place. Makes 3 half-pints (jelly jars).

"Can't Be Beet Jelly"

3 C. beet juice
1 box powdered pectin
1 small package unsweetened Koolaid soft drink mix
4 tsp. lemon juice
4 C. sugar

Combine beet juice, lemon juice, and pectin in a large kettle. Bring to a rolling boil. Quickly add sugar and boil for 6 min. Add the soft drink mix and mix thoroughly. Pour into sterilized jars or 8 oz. jelly jars. Fill to within 1/2 in. of top of jars. Screw canning lids on tightly. You can put the jars in a boiling water bath for 10 min., or in a pressure canner at 5 lbs. pressure for 10 min. Let pressure come down by itself. Don't try to hurry it.

Boston Baked Beans

1 lb. dried beans
1/2 cup dried onion
1/2 cup molasses
1/2 tsp dry mustard
1/4 cup brown sugar
1 tsp salt
1/4 lb. lean salt pork, dried

Rinse beans. Add water to cover and let stand overnight. Drain. Combine beans and onions in a large saucepan. Add water to cover and simmer about 45 min.