

## “Smart” Tankless Water Heaters

Early model tankless water heaters failed to impress most U.S. consumers. But the latest new “smart” tankless water heaters appear to be changing all that.

“The older ones were more like a barbecue grill where the water ran on top of it,” says Gene Sola, owner of EZ Tankless, based in Earl Park, Ind. “Newer models are more like a fuel-injected car. Units are computerized so they are smarter.”

There’s no pilot light, they self ignite, and the flame adjusts according to water volume. Models in the \$400 range can supply enough hot water for two showers running all day long.

In addition to the natural or LP gas supply, they only require 4 amps at 120V AC to run

the exhaust fan and computer. Installation is easy, too, with a dual-chamber 4-in. forced air intake and exhaust pipe.

EZ Tankless also has battery-ignited outdoor models starting at \$135 for camping, hunting cabins, or other remote areas without electricity.

To ensure the tank’s life of 20 years or more, Sola recommends filtering the water going into it. His website includes detailed information and videos of how to filter water, as well as how to install and maintain the tankless system.

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**Jim Snell says his computerized EZ Tankless water heater offers many advantages over earlier tankless models.**

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## German Cow Trained To Ride, Jump

When Regina Mayer’s parents dashed her hopes of getting a horse, the resourceful 15-year-old didn’t sit in her room and sulk. Instead, she turned to a cow called Luna to make her riding dreams come true.

Hours of training, and tons of treats, cajoling and caresses later, the results are impressive: not only do the two regularly go on long rides through the southern German countryside, they do jumps over a makeshift hurdle of beer crates and painted logs. It all started about 2 years ago, shortly after Luna was born on the Mayers’ sprawling farm in the hamlet of Laufen, just minutes from the Austrian border. They started off with walks in the woods during which Luna wore a halter. Then Mayer slowly got her cow more accustomed to human contact and riding equipment.

Luna and Mayer are now soul mates, spending most afternoons together once the teen – who aspires to become a nurse one day – comes home from school. Their extensive routine involves grooming, petting, jumps and a roughly one-hour ride. That’s also the case in winter, when Mayer drapes a blanket over Luna to keep her warm.

## Horse Whisperer Teaches Skill To Others

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**Newly trained horse climbs into pickup.**

When Larry Surrett whispers to a horse, it listens.

“I can train a horse to do anything physically possible, whether to jump in a pickup as it drives away or lay down and play dead when you point at it and say bang,” says Surrett.

Not only does he train horses, but for the past 11 years he has taught their owners as well. The course at his Minnesota Horse Training Academy is an intensive education, regardless of a horseman’s background.

“I had one 74-year-old man tell me he learned more in two days than he had in a life time of working with horses,” says Surrett.

He tells of one young woman who came to class with a freshly purchased \$700 horse and trained it in class. A week after the class, she sold it for \$5,000.

“Some people who take the course are professional horse trainers who want to be better, and others just want to connect with their horse,” says Surrett. “I have had unbelievable success stories, including one gal who made \$36,000 her first year after the course. She trained horses on the side while staying home with kids.”

There are 1, 2 and 3-week programs available ranging from \$1,200 to \$3,600. “We have the best program in the industry with a money back guarantee if you’re not satisfied,” says Surrett.

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