Reader Recipes

Cheesy Cornbread Biscuits

2 cups self rising flour 1 cup yellow cornmeal 2 tablespoons white

- sugar 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 stick (1/2 cup) very cold unsalted butter,
- cubed
- 1 1/4 cups cold buttermilk
- 2-oz. shredded cheese of your choice
- 2 tablespoons melted butter for brushing tops

Mix together selfrising flour, cornmeal, white sugar, salt, and baking soda. Add cubed, very cold butter and mix in with a pastry cutter until the mixture is crumbly and the butter pieces are pea sized. Stir in the buttermilk with a fork until a crumbly dough forms, which can be pressed together with your hands. Press into a square, and roll out into a 12 by 12-in. square. Cut in half and stack one piece on the other. Roll back into a 12-in. square. Jagged edges are fine, and can simply be pressed back in with a bench scraper. Cut into quarters and stack up. Square the sides with a bench scraper and roll back out to a 12-in. square. Preheat the oven to 425 F and line a baking sheet. Spread shredded cheese evenly over the dough. Fold into thirds to form a rectangle, press lightly. Roll until the rectangle is about 3/4-in. thick, Then use a floured round cutter to punch out eight biscuits. Extra dough can be pressed together and re-rolled to cut more biscuits. Transfer dough to prepared baking sheet. Press each biscuit lightly in the center with your thumb, then brush with melted butter. Bake in the preheated oven until lightly risen and golden brown, 18 to 20 mins. Let cool before serving.

Dandelion Flower Cookies

- 1 cup coconut oil 1 cup honey
- 4 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla 2 cups oatmeal
- 1 cup rinsed yellow
- dandelion flower petals
- 2^rcups flour

Mix all together. Drop by tablespoons onto a greased baking sheet and bake at 375 F for 10-15 mins. Let cool before serving.



Looft lighter uses superheated air to start fires quickly and comes in electric and battery models.

Electric Fire Starter Creates Flames Fast

The Looft Lighter lets you start a fire in 60 seconds or less for faster campfires and grilling.

Turn the lighter on by pressing its top button and direct the resulting channel of superheated air at your charcoal briquettes or firewood. Within 30 seconds of contact, you should start to see sparks. Pull it back a few inches and keep it focused on the same spot. Within another minute, you should have a roaring fire. The direct contact with superheated air makes the lighter perfect for windy

days. Once the charcoal starts, you can wait 20 mins. for it to burn down or continue using the Looft Lighter for an additional 3 to 5 mins. to speed up the process to start grilling sooner.

The Looft Lighter I costs \$69 and comes with a cord that's 9.8 ft. (3 m) long. It can light old charcoal and new with 1200 F superheated air and has an aluminum heat shield that is cool to the touch within minutes of use. A built-in fan spreads the flame around the charcoal for fast, even heating without the chemical taste that's associated with using lighter fluid or starter cubes. Also included is a stand and bottle opener for extra convenience.

The Looft Lighter II retails for \$129 and offers 30 percent more airflow and it has auto-ignition. Finally, the Looft Lighter X (\$299) is an entirely cordless option that is battery-operated to light a fire in a minute. It's powerful enough that you can use it to light multiple fires on a single charge.

Customer reviews indicate that most users love this electric fire starter. Many find it far easier than using other fire starters. Some shared that they've used the same Lighter for over a decade, making it well worth the initial investment. Like all fire starters, the Looft Lighter poses safety risks and can cause severe burns.

Some models of the Looft Lighter are available for purchase on Amazon, and the lighter is also sold at retail locations across the country.

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Wearable Flashlight Has Many Uses

The idea for the JordiLight came to Robert Haddad in a dream. After much research and development, his "Ultimate Adventure Utility Flashlight" is on the market.

"It can be handheld, or you can put it on your head," he says, noting that it comes with a wearable strap and a magnet. "You can control how much light you have by touching it. It has a fall sensor that goes into SOS mode, and if paired with a phone, it sends a message to a contact."

The bendable frame made of silicon rubber and durable plastic has 19 LED lights that shine 3,600 lumens in 256 colors and pure white. Besides eight preset modes, you can create up to 10 custom modes and set the brightness level at 25, 50 or 100 percent. Choose colored lights for specific purposes, Haddad explains, such as red light to deter mosquitoes or white light for scuba diving.

Set the compass, use the touch controls on the flashlight, or pair it with your cell phone to easily change settings.

Using quality materials, JordiLight is lightweight (4.6 ounces), waterproof to 165 ft. depths, and can handle temperatures ranging from -40 to 140 F. While that makes it useful for adventurers, sportsmen and campers, it's also helpful for workers in low-light situations, including farming, mining and construction. JordiLight sells for \$99 through its website and other retailers.

"The features we have are unique," Haddad says. "No other flashlights have what we have for safety and lighting."

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High-Quality Garden Tools

Soon it will be time to start digging in the garden again. Here are three companies that make high-end tools that make the work easier and more enjoyable.

Made in the U.S. is important to **OHSAY USA** (www.ohsayusa. com), which sells 15 garden products such as hand-forged cultivators and trowels with hickory wood handles and hammered by a master blacksmith from saw steel. They also offer stainless steel potting scoops with serrated edges to cut through roots. Prices range from \$30-\$40.

Celtic Farm (www. thecelticfarm.com) sells only products they would use for their own flower-growing business. Well-crafted, with hardwood handles and made with sturdy stainless steel and leather loops



Celtic Farm tools are crafted with hardwood handles and stainless steel.

for hanging, tools can be purchased in sets for \$44 or purchased individually. As a bonus, the tools are tucked in an attractive burlap bag ready to gift to a gardener and for storage.

Cutco (www.cutco.com) has built a reputation on its American-made kitchen cutlery, and it also carries a line of garden tools. Though the tools are imported, they are covered by Cutco's "Forever Guarantee," including free sharpening (customer pays shipping). Tools are made with heat-treated carbon and stainless steel with handles that are glass-reinforced polypropylene and covered with thermoplastic elastomer. Trowels (\$33 and \$35) have semi-sharp pointed tips and engraved measurements to plant at the right depth. A 3-piece set (\$95) includes a trowel, weeder, and cultivator.



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