

## Reader Recipes

### Quick Coffee Cake

1 1/4 cups flour  
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon  
3/4 cup brown sugar  
1/3 cup butter  
1/2 cup sour milk  
1/2 teaspoon baking soda

Preheat oven to 350 F. Cream butter with the dry ingredients, except baking soda. Stir sour milk and baking soda together. Mix everything well and pour into a floured and buttered pan. Sprinkle top with brown sugar, cinnamon, and butter. Bake for 25 mins., or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean.

### Baked Beans

1/2 lb. bacon, finely chopped  
1 yellow onion, finely chopped  
1 red bell pepper, seeds removed, finely chopped  
1/2 teaspoon black pepper  
1/2 teaspoon smoked paprika  
2 teaspoons kosher salt, divided  
1 cup ketchup  
1/2 cup molasses  
1/4 cup Dijon mustard  
1/4 cup packed light brown sugar  
1/2 cup water  
2 Tbsp. apple cider vinegar  
1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce  
3 (15-oz.) cans navy beans, drained and rinsed

Preheat oven to 350 F. Place bacon in a cold, large Dutch oven or ovenproof pot. Cook over medium heat, stirring often, until browned and much of the fat is rendered, about 10 mins. Add onion, bell pepper, black pepper, paprika and 1 teaspoon salt. Continue to cook, stirring often, until vegetables are slightly softened and fragrant, about 5 minutes. Stir in ketchup, molasses, mustard, brown sugar, water, vinegar, Worcestershire and remaining 1 teaspoon salt. Bring to a gentle simmer, then remove from heat. Add beans and stir to combine. Transfer pot to oven and bake, uncovered, until slightly reduced, bubbly and browned on top, about 45 mins. Let sit 10 mins. before stirring and serving.



Rechargeable flashlight has a 6-hr. runtime, strobe function and a built-in storage compartment.

## XL Flashlight Shines Bright

The LitezAll Big Lite combines a bright rechargeable flashlight with a convenient 30-in. ruler and features a built-in storage compartment.

Made from high-strength resin, it features three light modes: high at 100 lumens with a 3-hr. runtime, low at 60 lumens with a 6-hr. runtime, and strobe with an 11-hr. runtime. It has a light throw of up to 1,100 ft.

LitezAll has a 3.7V 1200mAh Li-ion battery, which is non-replaceable.

With an integrated battery life and charging indicator, it can be recharged using the included micro-USB cable.

Priced at \$29.99 with free shipping on orders over \$25 in the U.S. via their website, flashlights come with a limited warranty. LitezAll also sells Kodiak and Illumibrite products.

Reviews are mixed, as some noted it was just a flashlight in an oversized tube, and others were impressed with the focused beam. Users noted that you have to cycle through the different modes to power it off.

If you're constantly searching for a flashlight in a vehicle, this extended version may be just right to keep in a truck, tractor or combine cab.

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## Pet Bowl Makes Feeding Easy

The UpBowl™ is designed to help prevent physical challenges from stopping you from caring for pets. The idea took shape after founder Gordon Beckhart tweaked his back and his wife underwent back surgery.

"Those experiences sidelined us from many everyday tasks," he says. "We gained a deeper appreciation for the challenges faced by people with limited mobility, even with something as routine as feeding a pet."

The family already designs ergonomic tools under the Sand Dipper brand, so creating the UpBowl was a natural extension of their product line.

"It's the result of years of development and dozens of prototypes to find the ideal balance of function, comfort, and ease of use," Beckhart says. "We focused on creating a lift-and-lower feeding system with a removable pole that was sturdy enough to do the job, yet easy to detach so it doesn't interfere while pets eat. The result is a practical, dignified solution that was recently honored as Best Adaptive Product at the 2025 Global Pet Expo in Orlando."

UpBowl stands out from general-purpose reachers and grabbers in several key ways.

"Most aren't stable enough to lift bowls filled with food or water," Beckhart says. "UpBowl was purpose-built for this task. Some products have permanently attached poles that interfere with your pet's feeding or connection mechanisms, where food can get trapped. Our design solves both these issues: the pole inserts and removes with a simple twist, keeping it completely out of the way during mealtime but ready to go when you need it."

Beckhart stresses that the UpBowl has a broad user base.

"It's ideal for seniors or anyone with permanent mobility limitations, and it's a game-changer for people recovering from surgery, pregnant pet owners, individuals managing chronic pain, and anyone else who's tired of daily bending to refill the bowls."

The lightweight, durable design has a comfortable grip for everyday use. Each patent-pending bowl is made from food-grade, dishwasher-safe, BPA-free plastic. The pole is adjustable up to 36 in., making it easy to manage without ever touching the dirty bowl.

UpBowl and other Sand Dipper products are available on Amazon. A set of one pole and two bowls is priced at \$35.

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Pole is adjustable up to 36 in., making it easy to manage without bending down to the floor.

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## New Products For The Farm, Ranch Home



Ceramic pots, colorful Mexican pots, clay pots, and even delicate potted orchids can be displayed in a suspended setting.

## Plant Hanger Works On All Pots

The INVISIBLE-HANGER™ was born out of frustration with existing plant hangers, which are too short, unsightly and break.

"My wife buys expensive flower baskets every spring and often they break or slip off the hook in heavy winds, causing the pot to crack, effectively ending the life of the plant," says Rick Clark, founder of the INVISIBLE-HANGER.

We met up with Clark at the National Hardware Show this year and were impressed with his design.

"I grew up on a farm, and my grandfather was an inventor as well as a skilled, self-taught machinist. I grew up in his shop, where he designed and built a variety of innovative machines," says Clark.

"At the time, I was experimenting with new ways to suspend the bird houses that I was making, using vinyl-coated clothesline and crimping ferrules. I created an innovative way to suspend birdhouses from branches that didn't require screws or nails, making it easy to remove them annually for cleaning."

Enhancements included adding surgical-grade silicone "gripper tubes" to help hold the orientation of suspension wires on hard or slippery surfaces like ceramic or clay pots. The "slide collar" reduces the pot's tendency to spin in strong winds. As the pot winds up in the wind, the slide collar drops by gravity, making it less likely to unwind.

An added benefit of the slide collar is its ability to contain wires by sliding down toward the pot. This is especially helpful when hanging tall plants like orchids.

The design is flexible enough to hold pots and containers with or without rims or lips. Ceramic pots, colorful Mexican pots, clay pots, and even delicate potted orchids can be displayed in a suspended setting.

Constructed from stainless-steel aircraft cable, the hangers become almost invisible if you stand back to look at the plant.

The INVISIBLE-HANGER costs \$14.99 and is available at Menards, Amazon and other retailers.

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Suspending work boots, hip waders, and rubber boots is another innovative way to use this product. Hang them upside down to let them drain and dry, especially after washing them with a hose.