

This Old House

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49 easy home upgrades

- New kitchen and bath products
- Projects for indoors and out
- Expert advice to get it all done

HOW TO

Build a backyard fire pit
Revive a worn porch floor
Install decorative tile



Way Beyond the Basics

>> Let's face it: Bare-bones kitchens and baths are a bore. Here's a look at the newest, coolest products introduced at the annual Kitchen and Bath Show—smart-looking, high-performance appliances, fixtures, fittings, and finishes sure to refresh the dated spaces in any old house



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Space Savers

Clear away the clutter with streamlined fixtures and hideaway storage.

1 | INSTANT BROOM CLOSET

Where to keep the Comet? Organize (and hide) your cleaning supplies in KraftMaid Cabinetry's Harmony Tall Cleaning Supply Pull-out. Bins and hooks hang on its perforated metal divider. From \$1,800; kraftmaid.com

2 | CLEAR THE DECK

Wall-mounted faucets free up valuable space around the basin. Dornbracht's minimalist Meta.02 pairs its polished-chrome spout with a single-lever mixer. \$688; dornbracht.com

3 | PULL-OUT PRESSING

Who wants to wrestle with the ironing board just to press out creases on a shirt for work? Ease the way with Asko's pull-out ironing board with hidden plug (\$550). Also available: a folding table and drying basket (\$450). For use with Asko's undercounter and stackable washer/dryer; askousa.com

4 | STOWAWAY COMMODE

Yes, it's pricey, but it's practical, too: Close the wood-veneer lid of Villeroy & Boch's SmartBench, and the fully integrated wall-mount toilet, tissue holder, and built-in brush disappear from view, leaving only a very handsome 2-by-4-foot perch from which to towel off toes. \$4,500; villeroy-boch.com

5 | UNDER-THE-HOOD STORAGE

No wasted space: Zephyr's Cache range hood lifts open to reveal a compartment that can hide 20 pounds of kitchen paraphernalia. Available in 30-, 36-, and 48-inch widths. From \$1,289 to \$1,589; zephyronline.com