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cool cookin'

Add sizzle to your summer with these great gadgets!

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Flip N' Easy Baskets

[1] Oh, how we love to grill in the South! Anytime the temperature is above freezing, we are outside grilling: burgers, chicken, vegetables, and more. Charcoal Companion offers a cool gadget that makes it easy to cook all our favorite foods over an open fire. The Flip N' Easy Baskets are perfect for corralling those items that tend to fall through the grate, like chicken wings and potatoes slices.

Simply put food into the non-stick basket and place on the grill. The removable rosewood handles allow you to easily flip the basket to rotate during cooking. The result is perfectly grilled food with no charred remains in the coals below.

For a list of retailers for the Flip N' Easy Baskets and other products from the Companion Group, check out www.companion-group.com. (Suggested retail: \$29.95)



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Camerons Smoker Bags

[2] We've found a clever and convenient way to get great smoked flavor without the hassle. Smoker Bags from Camerons Professional Cookware come in two flavors: hickory and alder wood. They contain wood chips in natural wood syrup, sandwiched between the bottom two layers of heavy-duty foil bags. Place food in a bag—it's great for game meat, as well as chicken, pork, beef, and vegetables—then fold over and seal. Slip the bag into the oven, on the grill, or over a campfire and follow cooking instructions on the package. The bag will puff up as the meal cooks.

When done, remove the bag from the heat source, then carefully open with a sharp knife. You can serve the meal straight from the bag, then toss—no clean-up necessary! Could it be any easier?

Smoker Bags and other Camerons products can be purchased online at www.cameronscookware.com, or by calling toll-free 888-563-0227. (Suggested retail: \$10.50 for a set of three)

Baker's Sto 'n Go

[3] Are you tired of arriving at the party only to discover the mini cupcakes you spent an hour icing are now stuck to the aluminum foil covering them? We'll here's a product that will ensure your goodies get safely to their destination.

The Sto 'n Go is an airtight plastic carrier with slide-out adjustable trays—two flat, two with impressions—that will securely hold in place 32 deviled eggs or mini muffins, dozens of cookies, or any combination of foods. It can easily accommodate an entire 13-x-9-inch pan of brownies. This easy-to-carry product is not only microwave- and dishwasher-safe but is a cinch to store as well; either place it upright, or remove the handle from the carrier and lay it flat.

Make sure your next batch of tasty treats gets to the picnic deliciously intact with the Sto 'n Go. For more information about this product and where to purchase it, log on to www.bakersstongo.com. (Suggested retail: \$19.95)