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Andrea Hargreaves rummages in the toolbox for new gadgets, machinery and bits and bobs

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Bahco ERGO Handsaw System

The ERGO Handsaw System employs a revolutionary handle design which enables users to interchange 10 different blades in a matter of seconds. It features an asymmetrical handle in two sizes. The thermoplastic elastomer grip is designed to make the handle fit like a glove. The angle and position of the handle in relation to the Bahco Superior blades reduce sawing force. The blades lock with a single click and feature XT toothing with low-friction coating, and are available in a range of lengths from 350mm to 600mm. The handles are £23.99 each and the blades £19.99 each.

From Bahco
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Web www.bahco.com



Irwin Record planes

Irwin Record market-leading planes are a guaranteed 25% off at participating outlets until 30 June. This offer includes bench planes, the rebate plane, block planes and spokeshaves. The products feature high-quality cast-iron bodies with a high-precision machined base, carbon-steel cutting irons and robust lever caps with a brass locking nut for secure location of the cutting iron. Fine adjustment is controlled by a brass adjusting nut and lateral adjusting lever, while the resin handles are impact-resistant, comfortable and easy to control.

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Makita 1/2in routers

Makita has launched two 1/2in routers which give a 70mm plunge depth and offer a new base design, ergonomic grips and a micro-adjustable fence. The RP1801X is a 1,650W machine and the RP2301FCX provides 2,100W. Both will run up to 22,000rpm with no load and the depth of plunge is set via finger-twist adjusters located by the right-hand control handle. The newly designed baseplate has a wide nominal diameter of 160mm and now has one flat edge and a fence clamp for even more accurate moulding operations along board edges. The routers, which weigh 6kg, are fitted with twin LED job lights. Makita also offers more than 350 bits plus jigs, guides, table and accessories, either tungsten carbide-tipped or solid carbide, and are UK manufactured to Holz BG and the latest CEN



£354.20

847 standards. The RP1801X should cost around £318 and the RP2301FCX should retail around £354.20.

From Makita (UK) Ltd
Tel 01908 211678
Web www.makita.uk

£43.98

BriMarc catalogue

The brand new free BriMarc Tools & Machinery 2009 catalogue is back after an absence of five years, offering a diverse range of fine hand tools and quality machinery for serious hobbyists and professional woodworkers alike. The 128-page catalogue is packed with new products including the Miebach drilling programme and the long-anticipated range of Japanese tools from Ice Bear.

From BriMarc tool retailers
Tel 0845 6040064
Email email@brimarc.com
Web www.brimarc.com



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Sycamore UK Big Wipes

Double-sided Industrial + Big Wipes contain a blend of solvents and emulsifiers which is claimed to provide twice the cleaning power of similar products. They are designed to remove all trace of oil and water-based paints, varnish, instant grab adhesives, silicone and acrylic sealants, PU foam, oil, tar, grease, permanent marker and general grime from hands, tools and surfaces. They come in tubs of 80 at £9.99 and 40 at £4.99 and in a wallet of 20 at £3.49.

From Sycamore UK
Tel 01628 894374
Web www.bigwipes.com

Tormek T7 & axe



Buy a Tormek T-7 Sharpening System between now and July and you will be able to claim a free axe made by Gransfors in Sweden which are renowned for producing high-quality hand-forged forestry tools. The axe is supplied in a leather sheath with a snap belt fastener and comes with a 20-year guarantee.

From BriMarc
Tel 0845 604 0064
Web www.brimarc.com

Axe as separate item from Classic Hand Tools
Tel 01473 784983
Email sales@classichandtools.co.uk

£399.95

Trend replaceable tip router cutters

Trend has added a further nine 1/4in-shank styles to their range of replaceable tip router cutters, as well as a 1/2in-shank stair cutter. The replaceable carbide blade is fixed directly to the cutter body and is easily removed with the hex key supplied. The cutter range includes a small guided rebater, 45° V groove, 6.3mm radius shank-mounted bearing cove, and three bearing-guided tools, a 6.3mm cove, 6.3mm roundover, and a 4.5mm ogee. The 1/2in-shank 2-flute stair-housing tool has a 22mm diameter and is for use on stair-housing machines or jigs. It is available in right-hand or left-hand rotation.

The cutters start at £37.38 and the blades start at £6.33.

From Trend Routing Centres, stockists
Tel 0800 487363
Web www.trend-uk.com

£37.38



£9.99

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