



DO-IT-YOURSELF WORKSHOP

Building A Better Toolbox

(NAPSA)—Whether you've built a reputation as a handyman or you're new to the do-it-yourself world, the right tools can keep small jobs from turning into big projects. But what kind of tools are best for you? It depends on the work you plan to do. Here's a guide to filling your toolbox:

The High-Tech Handyman

Laser-guided levels, tape measures that "remember" lengths, and hands-free, self-powering flashlights can keep your toolbox high-tech, easy to use and useful. These new tool types are great for small, around-the-house projects such as hanging shelves, cutting blinds and hanging pictures. Some new types of laser-guided levels even attach to the wall and provide accurate multi-point measurements, meaning you can use the levels to hang a number of different items at an equal distance from one another and in a straight line.

Power Up

You don't need to be a serious do-it-yourselfer to have a use for power tools. For instance, a power drill with a screwdriver bit can be used to set up entertainment centers, to fix fences or for woodworking projects. Of course, power tools have more serious uses as well—from deck building to fastening Sheetrock. If you plan to use your power tools for some heavy-duty projects, do a little research first. For instance, you may not know that a power drill with high torque does not necessarily provide



Collectable—and usable—tools can complete a toolbox.

higher drilling speeds, only more turning power. If speed is what you need, check out drills with multiple-speed settings.

Toolbox Staples

It's important not to skimp on quality when shopping for your toolbox staples. For instance, Great Neck Saw Manufacturers' new Heritage brand pays tribute to classic tools such as the hammer, screwdriver, level and multi-tool by offering them with premium finishes. The collectable (and usable) tools feature hardwood with brass trim for an historical, antique look. But they're designed using today's high-performance standards. These tools are a great way to add utility to your toolbox—and value to your tool collection.

For more information, visit www.heritage-tools.com.