

BISSELL Smart Details Pet Hair Broom

“Yes, we’ve heard of vacuums and all kinds of wonderful electrical hair management systems. But sometimes you just need a broom. And this one is made just for dog hair. Buried in the bristles are three rows of firm, thick, rubbery ones that capture dog hair. You can use it on bare floors and on rugs. If it can tackle my kitchen rugs, which collect the hair of a canine shorthaired shedder and two big cats, I’m pretty sure it can handle yours.”

— Susan Chaney

* \$24.99, from BISSELL Homecare; 800-237-7691; www.bissell.com



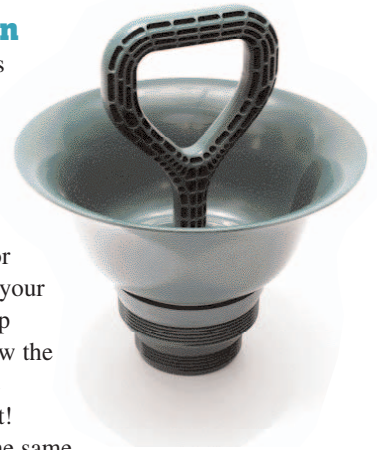
Doggie Doo Drain

“OK, we know it sounds gross, but it’s a great idea! In many places, this has got to be the best way to get rid of dog poop. You simply screw it into the sewer or septic clean out outside your home. When you pick up your dog’s poop, unscrew the top, drop it in, run some water down, and that’s it!

Your dog’s waste gets the same treatment as human waste, and you don’t add to your local landfill.”

— S.C.

* \$44.95, from Klauber Enterprises; 877-577-1757; www.doggiedoodrain.com



Towel Tog

“I can’t wait to get one of these Towel Togs for my dog Max. He tolerates a bath quite well, but once I’ve given him even a few rubs with a towel, he wants to run around and roll around. I figure that with his Towel Tog securely in place, he can pretty much dry himself — well, except maybe his ears. This inventive product could make bathing just a little bit easier.”

— S.C.

* \$32.95 to \$69.95, from Wet Dog Solutions; 269-273-9392; www.towelogs.com



Port-A-Poo



“You’ve been there. We all have. You’re walking your dog and trying to hold onto one or two or even three partially filled cleanup bags. Your dog decides to walk on the other side. You’re trying to switch the leash and the bags without getting your legs tangled. Teeter no more. This clever device attaches to your leash, then using a teeth-based clip, hangs the bag or bags from the leash. Now you’ve got both hands free again. Very cool.”

— S.C.

* \$9.95, regular or mini, from Mind, Body and Paw; 888-488-0766; www.portapoo.com

HitchN Leash

“How many times have you tried tying your dog’s leash in a knot around a tree stump or pole when you’ve had to secure him during a walk or other outing? Well, the people at PetZen must have felt your pain. They created a leash with two carabiner sizes and a D-ring to make such a task much simpler. Outdoor enthusiasts and urbanites will love the convenience of this practical leash.”

— Annamaria Barajas

* \$18.99, from PetZen Products; 877-563-5151; www.petzenproducts.com



The Pet Barrier

“When we pulled The Pet Barrier out of its box, I thought, ‘I don’t think so.’ But after opening it up, trying it out, and reading about it, my opinion changed to ‘Aha!’ This cleverly designed barrier blocks both access and vision between rooms or even across your front door. And you know how it goes: What your dog can’t see, he typically won’t bark at. It would be so wonderful to have my front door open, knowing that Max is safely inside with me.”

— S.C.

* \$89.95, from The Pet Barrier; 866-872-5752; www.thepetbarrier.com

