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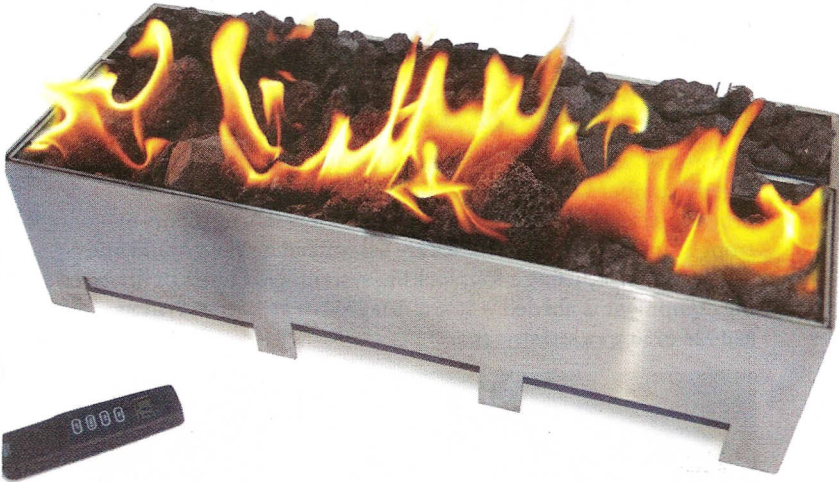
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▼ Fire Starter

THE MANUFACTURER OF MODERN GAS FIREPLACES OFFERS a new burner system that allows architects to create the same styling outdoors. The modular Linear Burner System Outdoor unit is fabricated from stainless steel and features waterproof internal components and a remote control with electronic ignition. It's available in standard lengths of 2, 4, 6, and 8 feet. ■ Cost: \$4,100 to \$8,200. Spark Modern Fires. 866-938-3846.

www.sparkfires.com



Gas Power ▶

THE MANUFACTURER'S 2-inch, gas-powered 18-gauge finish nailer combines lithium ion battery technology and a gas fuel cell that will deliver 1,200 shots. Offering the convenience of a cordless with the power of a pneumatic, it drives fasteners from 5/8 inches to 2 inches in length and has a magazine capacity of 100 nails. ■ Cost: \$299. Hitachi Power Tools. 800-829-4752. www.hitachipowertools.com



◀ On Guard

STUCCO-GUARD IS A water-based acrylic sealer that provides water-resistance for new or old stucco walls. It meets standard testing for wind-driven rain up to 124 miles per hour, so it helps eliminate the damage and decay caused by moisture penetration. The product goes on milky white but dries in a clear finish. ■ Cost:

\$21.99 for a 1-gallon can. Seal-Krete.

800-323-7357. www.seal-krete.com

Need a Light? ▼

DESIGNED FOR LOW VOLTAGE SYSTEMS, THE LUMIÈRE Cambria 203 is an LED landscape fixture that allows halogen and LED fixtures on the same 12-volt circuit. The MR16-style LED module monitors temperatures and modifies its own operating parameters to optimize system performance. It's made from corrosion-resistant aluminum or solid brass, bronze, copper, or stainless steel. ■ Cost: \$190. Cooper Lighting. 770-486-4800.

www.cooperlighting.com.

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