



More Good Stuff

A good day in the field or on the water can be quickly ruined by an insect bite or an attack by a poisonous weed. Relief on the run has been provided by Dr. Burkenstock's "Stuff."

The company legend is that young Dr. Burkenstock roamed the bayous and marshlands of Louisiana enjoying the great outdoors but, his sensitive skin paid the price as he was highly allergic to poison ivy and other skin irritants like mosquitoes, chiggers and fire ants. As a pharmacist, he had extensive medicinal knowledge and access to a variety of ingredients known to have a soothing effect on the skin. Through good old trial and error he came up with a soothing cream and his closely guarded family formula has been passed down through generations of Burkenstock pharmacists.



Dr. Burkenstock's "Stuff."

and is now available to us as "That Itch Stuff." That Itch Stuff is formulated to relieve itching and inflammation associated with poison ivy, oak, sumac, and insect bites. It is available as a lotion, roll on and easy to pack wipes. Testing on myself with the season's first mosquito

bite, it stopped the irritation on the spot. My favorite test subject is my daughter Gloria. She can be 10 feet from a mosquito and her skin will light up. Because of her history of instant festering our home has Benadryl in every room. She had a recent mosquito attack and we let Dr. Burkenstock's lead the counter attack and received instant relief.

Their product line has grown to include That Rash Stuff, That Lip Stuff and That Mold Stuff with more on the way. The full line, their uses and where to purchase is at www.drburkenstoks.com.

A good holster is desirable accessory, but sometimes simpler is better. Techna Clip is a minimalist solution for those who carry concealed. It is gun clip that easily affixes to your sidearm for a secure, lightweight and discreet carry option. Once installed on your firearm carry is as simple as stuffing it your pants in whatever position you want. It holds securely and eliminates the bulk of some holsters. The Techna Clip has three easy installation methods depending on the type of firearm. One method replaces the rear frame pin on the gun and replaces it with a post that is drilled and threaded that allows the clip to be fastened to the firearm with a screw. The second one replaces the plastic slide backplate with a billet backplate that is drilled and tapped. The clip is then fastened to the backplate by two screws and ready to use. The third way requires the removal of the grip plate, the belt clip is then placed on the frame of the gun and the grip plate is then replaced



The convenient concealable Techna Clip.

over top of the belt clip.

The clips are made of high quality spring steel then tempered and plated with Teflon to protect the surface of the gun. This system runs around \$ 35.00 and to find out if they have one for your favorite model go to www.technaclip.com.

Birchwood Casey LeatherLock Gun Cases are designed with classic styling for takedown shotguns without the hefty price of the handmade luggage. Each case has a soft plush lining; hook and loop tie downs, a compartment for shooting accessories and good padding. They have brass finished handles, hinges and latches. There are two keyed locks for security and a luggage-style name tag included.

The canvas covered model with imitation leather trim is a bargain \$145.80. I suggest replacing the faux leather straps with inexpensive real leather belts to fool your shooting buddies in to thinking you struck it rich.

A real deal is Browning's new Sound Shield shooting glasses. A nifty feature is that the ear plugs are stored on a retractable cord in the end of the ear pieces. Now when you grab your shooting glasses you also have your hearing protection.

The Sound Shield shooting glasses feature tall lenses with a frameless design to provide additional coverage and help eliminate visual distractions and blind spots. The glasses are available with either yellow or lightly tinted indoor/outdoor lenses and both are highly impact resistant. A soft rubber standoff nosepiece reduces slipping and lens fogging. Rubberized temples help prevent slipping in hot, humid conditions.

The end of each earpiece opens to release the corded retractable earplug.

And these are replaceable and washable. The suggested retail prices for Sound Shield glasses is a reasonable \$29.99 at the sporting goods store.

BlendorBottle has been around since 2000, but I had never run across them until I received a press release about their partnership with Mossy Oak. The BlenderBottle SportMixer in Mossy Oak Break-Up Country pattern is more than just a 28 ounce water bottle, but let us look at the beverage holding attributes first.

On top of the stain and odor resistant body is a screw on lid featuring the StayOpen flip cap that stays open while drinking and snaps securely closed. Part of the cap is the SportLoop feature that attaches to your pack or bag. All is part of their leak proof guarantee.

What makes this bottle different is that the SportMixer features the BlenderBall that is an electropolished, surgical grade, stainless-steel whisk. The bottle is marked in ounces and millilitres so when you want to make scrambled eggs or a martini in camp just put your ingredients in the bottle, drop in the BlenderBall and shake away. No need to plug in or change batteries. You are the blender.

I know not how I missed this handy

item in the past, but I'm making up for lost time. The BlenderBottle SportMixer Sleek is dishwasher safe, is backed by a Leak Proof Guarantee and is available for purchase at www.blenderbottle.com for \$ 14.99.

YETI Coolers was founded in Austin, Texas in 2006 and has proven folks will pay the price for quality. They hit the market first with their hell-for-tough Tundra cooler with the smallest capacity model costing just shy of \$300 and have rapidly moved forward ever since.

Now they are going after the soft sided cooler market with the Hopper line. The Hopper 30 Cooler is a portable cooler offering the same ice-for-days performance that has become the Yeti trademark. It is constructed of a Dryhide shell that is like the material used in whitewater rafts and survival suits making the Hopper 30 completely leak proof and puncture resistant. The Coldcell insulation combined with the Hydrolock Zipper that is similar to those on divers drysuits makes for a watertight closure taking the performance way above previous soft coolers. A heavily padded EVA foam bottom offers protection, and six heavy duty D-ring tie down points

help to strap it down in your truck, ATV or boat. Should last a lifetime for \$ 349.99.

After carrying all that ice and beverages to camp Yeti has built The Rambler 10 oz Lowball is the ideal drinking companion. Either for an evening libation or morning coffee the double-wall vacuum insulation will keep drinks cold or hot for extended periods and the NoSweat design is good for hand or table. The hefty size will prevent tipping, but if it does hit the floor the stainless steel construction can handle the impact. The only downside is that the generous size will not fit in some vehicle drink holders. The Yeti Rambler 10oz. Is \$ 24.99. More appropriate for the road are the Rambler Tumblers in 20 and 30 ounce sizes. All feature the same kitchen grade 18/8 stainless steel construction with double-wall vacuum insulation which along with the clear, shatter resistant lid keep liquids hot or cold twice as long as many other types. I have personally had my coffee stay warm and tasty for a couple of hours on the road which is impressive for a container without a completely closed lid. The Rambler Tumblers will fit most vehicle drink holders and are dishwasher safe and retail for \$ 29.99. Visit the lineup at www.yeti.com and enjoy.


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