

# hot stuff

The season's coolest culinary gadgets and gear

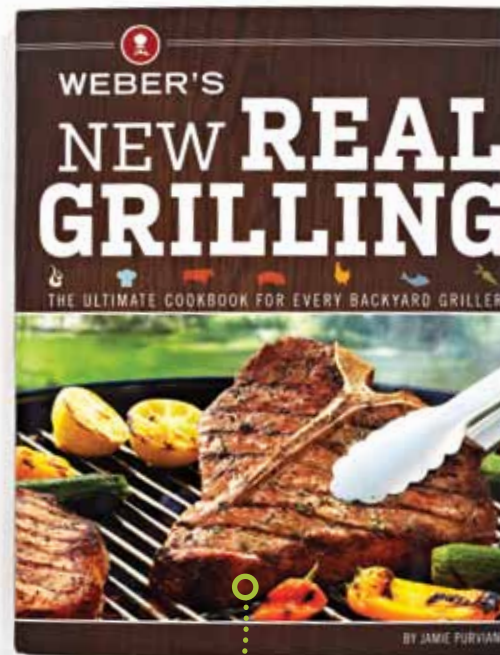
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**FOOD FIGHT!** Battle the heat with this super-cool *Star Wars* lightsaber ice-pop kit from Chronicle Books. Great for the Jedi enthusiast, it comes with four ice-saber moulds, plus a cookbook with instructions for making these treats and more, such as Ewoki Road Sundaes and Ice Cream Yodas. May the Force be with you and your freezer. Ages six and up. *Ice Sabers*, \$30, available at [chapters.indigo.ca](http://chapters.indigo.ca) and [amazon.ca](http://amazon.ca).

**JUICED UP** Embrace the latest food trend with a little help from this extractor, which features a whole-fruit feed chute (translation: super-simple produce prep), plus dishwasher-safe parts and a large-capacity pulp container. The patented juicing system minimizes nutrient loss, and the heavy-duty, dual-speed motor is a bonus. Raise a glass to your good health! *Juice Fountain Plus*, \$200, Breville.

**MASTER GRILLING** Even novice cooks will feel confident manning the barbecue with the help of Weber's *New Real Grilling* (Oxmoor House) by Jamie Purviance. This go-to guide for all things grilled features expert tips, tricks and step-by-step techniques, plus more than 200 recipes. Warning: Your mouth will water just flipping through it. Weber's *New Real Grilling*, \$28, available at Indigo.

**CORN DOGS** Kids are sure to get a kick out of these adorable dachshund-shaped corn holders, which will prevent the dreaded buttered-finger juggling of a hot cob of corn. *Tera Gear Corn Holders*, \$7, available at select Loblaws banner stores.





**ANIMAL SNACKERS** To keep hunger pangs at bay on long days spent in the wild (even if it's just your backyard), pack a moveable feast in this snack box. The tightly sealing lid keeps food tidily contained in separate compartments, and the dishwasher-safe container is free of BPA, PVC and phthalates. *Trunk Snack Box, \$19, Boon.*

**ON THE SPRITZ** Adding a little summery citrus flavour to food and drinks just got easier—and more fun—thanks to these innovative spritzers. Twist them directly into a lemon and lime, and you're ready to add a mist of juice to your meal. **Bonus:** They're dishwasher safe for effortless cleaning. *Lékué Citrus Spray, \$20 per pair, available at cookworks.ca.*





single-serving superstar

## ICED, ICED, BABY

Nothing beats an icy bevvvy for sweet relief from the heat.

◆ Keep the BPA- and phthalate-free inner core of this single-serve slush and shake maker in the freezer, then simply add juice, pop or chocolate milk for a refreshing treat in minutes. The outer sleeve, available in five peppy colours, prevents hands from getting cold, and specially shaped spoons are perfect for scooping. *Zoku Slush and Shake Maker*, \$25, available at *Mastermind Toys*.

◆ Got a crowd coming over? Cool off the whole troop with this frozen-treat machine, which makes large batches of snow cones and slushies—and even iced cocktails for the grown-ups. Frozen Bellini, anyone? *Icy Treats Maker*, \$45, *Hamilton Beach*.



perfect for a party