

# Toolbits | by Tom O'Brien

**Back Saver.** The *Handle on Demand (HOD)* uses suction to provide a convenient handhold on any nonporous surface. According to the maker, the product works well on glass, metal, stone, laminates, and prefinished wood surfaces — but not on raw wood. The HOD Single (\$8) has one suction pad and can support 100 pounds; the HOD Double (\$11) has two pads and can handle 200 pounds.

**FastCap**, 888/443-3748, fastcap.com.



**Multipurpose Knife.** Unlike other snap-blade knives, Tajima's *Driver Cutter* has a stiff tip on the front edge of the blade sleeve that can be used to drive slotted screws, remove staples, or pry open paint-can lids. According to the maker, the "driver" tip is made of 1-mm-thick tempered steel and meets JIS standards for screwdriver-tip hardness. The knife comes with three 8-point blades (two are stored in the handle) and costs \$8; a pack of 50 replacement blades costs \$16.

**Tajima Tool**, 888/482-5462, tajimatool.com.

**Cordless Siding Cutter.** The *EZ Shear SST* is designed to cut wood, vinyl, and fiber-cement siding products silently, without electricity and without kicking up a cloud of dust. Available in three sizes — 9 inches (\$200), 13 inches (\$250), and 20 inches (\$490) — it can slice through material up to 1 inch thick, says Bullet Tools. It's sold with a roof-pitch guide and an adjustable fence. The company also sells a variety of shears for cutting various types of flooring; all of its products are made in the U.S.

**Bullet Tools**, 800/406-8998, bullettools.com.



**Saw Stabilizer.** With the new *DSH-FSC Gas Saw Floor Cart*, users of handheld gas saws can make precision cuts that would otherwise require a bulky, walk-behind saw, Hilti says. For dust suppression, the heavy-duty steel cart includes its own gravity-fed water supply. The DSH-FSC is designed to be compatible with Hilti's DSH 700 (12-inch) and DSH 900 (14-inch) handheld gas saws. It sells for \$720.

**Hilti**, 800/879-8000, us.hilti.com.

