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### 1. Sturdy Kitchen Organization

Homeowners are often looking for more storage in the kitchen, and they value cabinet organization that's built in. The base cabinet "No Wiggle" Pullout Cabinet Organizer is equipped with four shelves, two of which are adjustable. The manufacturer says that a top-mounted bracket hidden under the first shelf eliminates side-to-side movements and sag. The unit is available in four widths—5 inches (\$195), 8 inches (\$235), 11 inches (\$268), and 14 inches (\$327)—and one standard height. [hardwareresources.com](http://hardwareresources.com)

### 2. Decorative Ventilation Fans

Broan's "Sensaire Sense-on-Rise Technology" is now available on the company's Invent Series ventilation fans, providing a way to manage humidity without sacrificing design. According to Broan, sensors that are hidden in the light fixture detect moisture in the air, automatically turning the fan on when a rapid rise in humidity is sensed or when humidity rises above a programmed set point. Broan says the unit helps clear fogged mirrors, manage moisture, and improve indoor air quality. Prices range from \$300 to \$500. [broan.com](http://broan.com)

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### 3. An Industrial-Inspired Kitchen Faucet

The Danze Foodie Pre-Rinse Kitchen Faucet swivels 360 degrees to give users the flexibility to put the water stream right where they need it. The model features a spring-action wand similar to those found in commercial kitchens; a twist of the spray head allows the user to toggle between a single, steady water flow and a powerful spray. The Foodie has a 20<sup>9</sup>/<sub>16</sub>-inch-high spout and an 8<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch spout reach and operates at a 1.75 gallons per minute flow. Pricing starts at \$310 for a chrome finish and increases to \$450 for satin black. [danze.com](http://danze.com)

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### 4. Elegant Automated Lighting Controls

Legrand's new Radiant line of designer switches, wall plates, outlets, dimmers, and home automation controls brings technology and design together for a whole-home, connected lighting system. The cohesive line eliminates unsightly screws from wall-mounted plates and is available in eight color options, including six solid, neutral hues and two metallic finishes. Radiant's outlets also feature built-in USB chargers. Pricing varies. [legrand.us](http://legrand.us)

## Products

### 5. A Luxury Kitchen for Less

Combining the luxurious look of a stone countertop with affordability, Wilsonart debuted 24 new laminate surface colors this year: twenty stone designs and four woodgrain patterns, and a matte finish for six colors. The firm says its laminate is resistant to odor- and stain-causing mold and mildew, as well as scratches and scuffs, and is an environmentally-friendly and less expensive alternative to stone. The laminate ranges in price from \$25 to \$33 per square foot when installed. [wilsonart.com](http://wilsonart.com)

### 6. Heavy-Duty Fall Protection on the Jobsite

The Miller TurboLite Edge Series collection of personal fall limiters provides workers with new lifelines to protect from the dangers of falling over a sharp edge. The TurboLite Max model (shown) includes a durable web lifeline that Honeywell says is cut, abrasion, and chemical resistant for smooth edge applications. All models have an integral shock absorber, are compact and lightweight, and are rated for a 420-pound worker from overhead down to foot-level connections. Models are available in lengths of 6 to 12 feet in single and twin configurations. Pricing varies by distributor. [honeywellsafety.com](http://honeywellsafety.com)

### 7. Hardware for a Floating Vanity

Designed for contemporary bathrooms, the Titus Floating Vanity Support brackets support up to 100 pounds per arm, without visible hardware. The 11-gauge galvanized steel supports—which each have a single extending arm and seven predrilled fastener holes—measure 18 inches by 10 inches by 2 inches and are mounted on either side of the cabinet. Two supports are needed for an installation. We found the supports online for about \$40 each (right and left sold separately). [federalbrace.com](http://federalbrace.com)

### 8. Wide Window Panes

The 1630 Vinyl Single-Slider window has dual-pane insulated glass and heavy-duty weather stripping for protection against wind, rain, dust, and noise. The manufacturer says a warm-edge spacer system maximizes energy efficiency and improves the seal performance of the insulated glass units while allowing an unobstructed view with expansive glass. The window is available in two- and three-lite configurations, comes in a white, clay, or almond finish, and costs approximately \$270. [miwindows.com](http://miwindows.com)





**9. Mildew Protection**

Synavax's Crystal Clear Insulating Roof Coating can be applied to tile, wood-shingle, composite-tile, and metal roofs to protect against mold, mildew, moisture, and weathering from UV rays. Though the coating is described as "insulating," the company offers no R-value or description of how it reduces heat transfer. The water-based, nontoxic, and low-VOC coating has a matte finish and is priced at \$117 for one gallon. Synavax says the coating can't be used on slurry or glazed tile. [synavax.com](http://synavax.com)



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**10. Improved Post Base**

The MPBZ moment post base from Simpson Strong-Tie provides moment resistance for wooden columns or posts on structures such as fences and decks. The overlapping sleeve design encapsulates the post, reportedly keeping it from rotating around its base when lateral loads are applied from above. The innovation reduces the need for diagonal knee bracing, allowing for more design flexibility. Optional holes are provided for attaching additional trim material. Price ranges from \$100 to \$125. [strongtie.com/mpbz](http://strongtie.com/mpbz)



**11. Keyless Touchscreen Lock**

The Obsidian lock is sleek, modern, key-free, and "smart" and can be had in a stand-alone touchscreen model (\$180) or connected to Z-Wave-enabled security and home-automation systems (\$230). Homeowners can control the smart lock via a smartphone app or the touchscreen. When the lock is connected, locking or unlocking the door can trigger reactions from other connected devices, such as the lights or thermostat. For security, the lock prompts users to touch two random numbers before entering their code, so that they leave fingerprints across the whole screen rather than on the same four digits. [kwikset.com](http://kwikset.com)

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**12. Intelligent Heating Controls**

The Climate Control Zoning System II for radiant floor heating systems has an auto-balancing feature that boasts faster reaction times and greater energy savings. According to Uponor, the technology calculates the energy need of single rooms and adapts the heat output of each loop by controlling the actuator's on-and-off cycle, allowing the system to react to temperature changes faster and save energy. The system consists of a base unit (\$350), an expansion module (\$110), and digital (\$115) or dial (\$75) thermostats. [uponor-usa.com](http://uponor-usa.com)