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Fisher Garden Tools

Bozeman, Montana, blacksmith Tuli Fisher hand-forges these workhorses in wrought iron based on (ultra) traditional forms, and sets them into walnut handles to last awhile. Maybe it's the satisfying heft and balance, maybe it's the fact that they look more like they've been unearthed than designed, but these tools set you dreaming about getting out there and turning some dirt. —RICHARD NALLEY

Tools above: \$40 each. 406-522-9443, fisherblacksmithing.com

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Davek Umbrellas

A \$99 umbrella requires an investment up front, but it's probably worth it if you'd spend on a series of department store models that end up in the trash. Davek is so sure its umbrellas won't join them that it offers an unconditional lifetime guarantee. If your breaks, they'll repair or replace it, and if you lose it, they'll sell you another for half price. The technology reads like an engineering textbook: flexible carbon polymer ligaments, a 190-thread-count microweave canopy, and a forced nine-rib frame system. If that makes your head spin, know this: Their construction means they stand up to the wind in an urban canyon, and their color blocks make them stand out at the coat check. —ANNA

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