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**Perfect punctuation**

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Luna knob by Rocky Mountain Hardware, $35.70 at Raybern, 24 Roland St., Charlestown, 617-666-3000, raybernhardware.com

Elroy knob in aged brass and oil-rubbed bronze, $25 at rejuvenation.com

Fallbrook leather knob, $127 at Waterworks, Boston Design Center, Boston, 617-911-2486, waterworks.com

Concrete Niki knob, $297.38 at designerdoorware.com

Demi Half Moon marble knob, $8.95 at CB2, 1401 Boylston St., Boston, 617-203-7775, cb2.com

Eclectic knob with 24-carat gold by Richelieu, by special order at Metropolitan Cabinets & Countertops, 635 Arsenawl St., Watertown, 617-926-8900, and other locations, metcabinet.com

Glaze pull by Nest Hardware, $200 by special order at Needham Lock & Decorative Hardware, 28 Westford St., Needham, 781-449-5333, decorativelocks.com

Lodhi stone knob, $14 at Anthropologie, Legacy Place, Dedham, 781-326-7380, anthropologie.com

Fusion knob by Mascot Hardware, $3,34, order online for pickup at Home & Garden store, 2 Mystic View Road, Everett, 617-289-3233, and other locations, homedepot.com

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