

# Tools & toys



## Alchemi Sun Hats

**What's to love:** This line of hats not only blocks the sun's skin-damaging UV rays, but uses a radiant barrier to reflect heat.

**What does it do:** There are four styles for outdoor enthusiasts: the River Hat, Sun Cap, Desert Hat and Expedition Hat. The hats keep users cool with a mesh-covered reflective material on the top and brim of the hats which the company says block up to 80 percent of the sun's heat. The hats are also ventilated and lined with a moisture wicking sweat band. They are available in several colors and prices range from \$32-\$39. More information at [alchemilabs.com](http://alchemilabs.com).

## Sandlite Sand Free Mat

**What's to love:** Great for the beach or a picnic, this mat is made so that sand falls through the fabric.

**What does it do:** The patented construction of this mat's woven layered fabric allows sand and dirt to fall through the first layer of the mat, but the double weave keeps it from coming back through, keeping the mat clean and dry. The soft mesh fabric is easily folded into an included carrying bag when done. Available in three sizes and a variety of colors. Prices start at \$49.99. More information is available at [cgear-sandfree.com](http://cgear-sandfree.com).



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