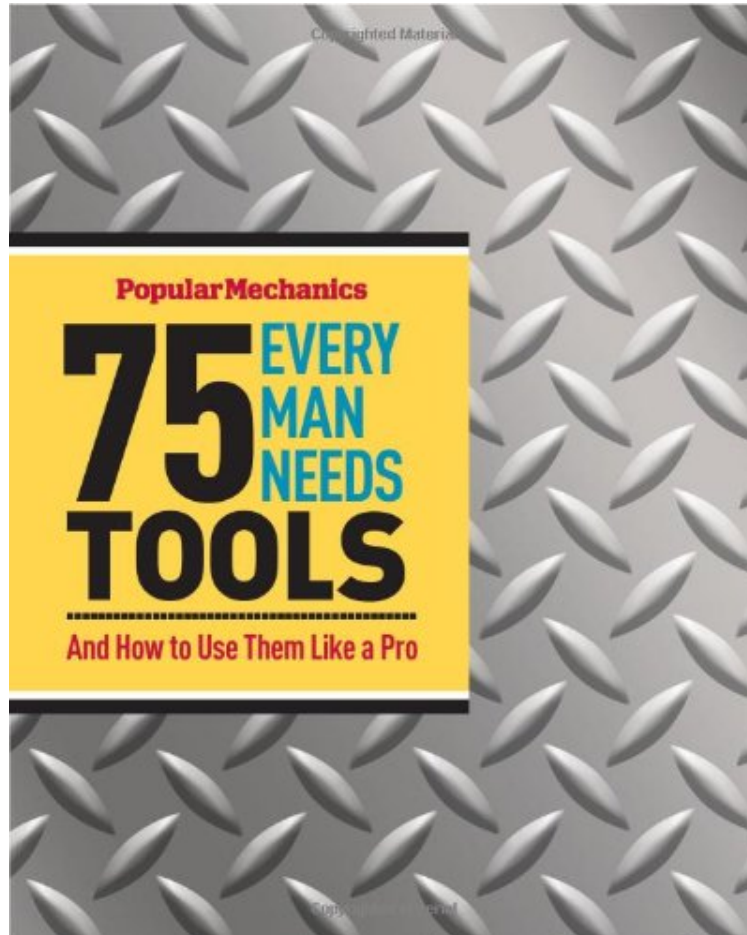


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What shoes are to women, tools are to men--and while guys want them all, they need to know which ones are really essential for their arsenal. Welcome to Popular Mechanic's ultimate toolkit guide, filled with facts on 75 tools that every man should own. It covers not only the expected choices (a sledgehammer, drill, and circular saw), but also some surprises that make perfect sense when you think about them--like earmuffs, a cold chisel, and a chalk line. Purchase tips, plus details on what each tool does and how to use it, make this book as indispensable as a hammer and wrench.

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