

## Bon Vivant

### 4) APRON

Like a cook's no-nonsense tool belt, this has cargo pockets for stashing everything from spoons to towels. A metal D-ring holds long-handled utensils. Mario Batali cargo apron in persimmon by Copco, \$30; [cooking.com](http://cooking.com).

### 5) BASTER

Proof that two heads are better than one, this baster comes with two smart options: an injector head and a perforated head (pictured) that provides a shower-like spray. Dual baster by Cuisipro, \$10; [cooking.com](http://cooking.com).

### 6) CARVING TOOL

Handmade of hammered stainless steel, this sleek, sturdy tool has a comfortable hand grip and sharp prongs that hold meat steady and let you slice like a pro. "Lancia" meat holder by Mary Jurek, \$84; 310-533-1196.

### 7) WOODEN UTENSILS

Made from beechwood, these pared-down, ultra-lightweight utensils are variations on simple spoon and paddle designs. Kitchen tools by ScanWood, \$55 for an 11-piece set; 323-913-9558; [aplusrstore.com](http://aplusrstore.com). ■

