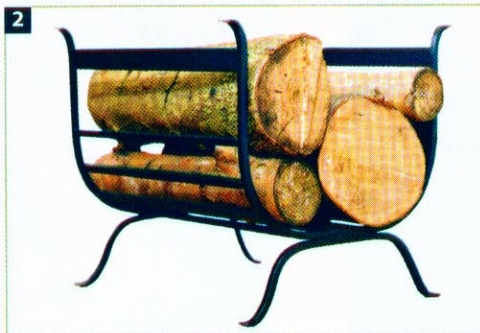


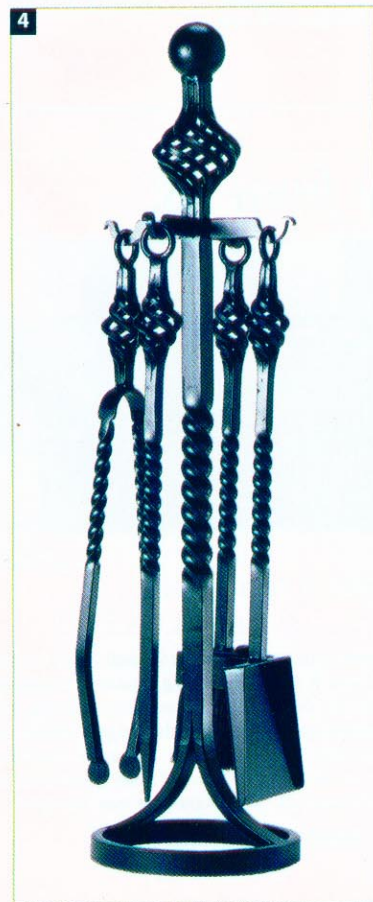
Fireside accessories


Choose practical, good-looking storage and accessories for your hearth



What to consider

- Logs burn at maximum efficiency and produce less smoke and tar if they have a moisture content between 15% and 20%. Use a moisture meter to check the level.
- Fuel stores made from solid materials, like steel or recycled rubber, help to contain dust and keep the hearth cleaner.
- If you have an open fire or sometimes leave the doors of your stove open, use a flat or hinged fireguard; but if you have young children, use a nursery guard that completely encloses the fireplace opening.
- If you want to toast crumpets or roast chestnuts, use purpose-made long-handled tools and not everyday kitchen utensils.



1 Hereford forged-steel fireguard, W80cm x D24cm x H67cm, in matt black, £149, Jim Lawrence. **2 Chappel forged-steel log basket** in matt black, W42cm x D41cm x H41cm, £98, Jim Lawrence. **3 Recycled tyre tub**, made from old rubber, makes an ideal log holder. Medium size W40cm x H30cm, £15.95; large W50cm x H30cm, £21.95, Dojo Ecoshop. **4 Dryad set of fire tools in wrought iron** comprising brush, tongs, poker and shovel on a stand, H73cm, comes in black or bronze, £157, Robert Welch. **5 Wood moisture meter** that gives the reading as a percentage, £31, Morsø. **6 Zinc match holder** with striker and long matches, H23.5cm, stands on the hearth or can be wall-mounted, £7, Willow & Stone. **7 Hand-forged steel chestnut roaster and toasting fork**, L60cm, £47 for the set, Hen & Hammock.  **For stockist and contact details, turn to page 184**