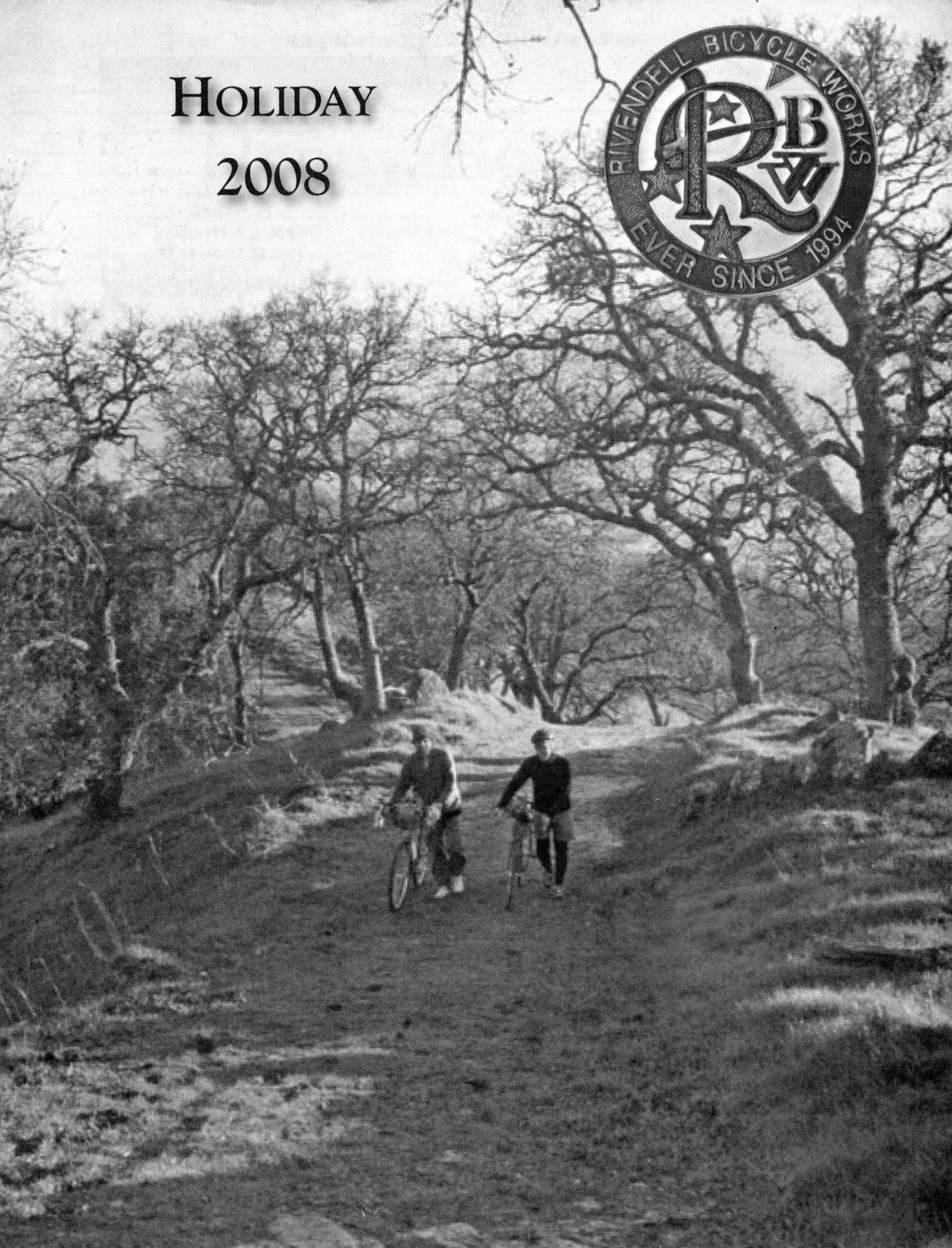
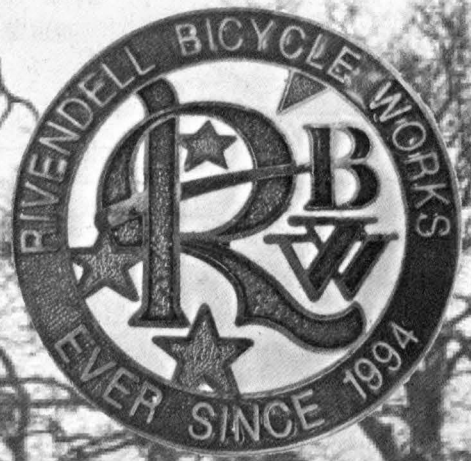


HOLIDAY
2008



Happy Holidays?

Many of you have suffered from the bad economy. Maybe you've lost your job, or your spouse did—and you need that second income. Maybe you're retired, and your retirement stocks have lost half their value. It's a terrible, sad thing, and elicits mixed feelings, sending out this holiday flyer encouraging you to buy (because we, too, need the work).

But here goes, anyway: IF you were a Rivendell member this year or still are, and have lost a job or a house and are hurting; or if you were a Rivendell member this year or still are, and you're retired and your portfolio has tanked—if those things are in place—let me repeat:

You are still or were sometime this year a Rivendell member (paid up) and you have lost one or more family incomes OR are retired and lost tons of money in your retirement fund due to the lousy stock market—

Then, for one week only—from December 10 through December 17, we're happy to offer you a 30% discount on deliverable orders up to \$500. You may order from this flyer, by phone, or off the web.

“Deliverable” means we have the stuff in stock and can ship it that week. We won't back-order anything.

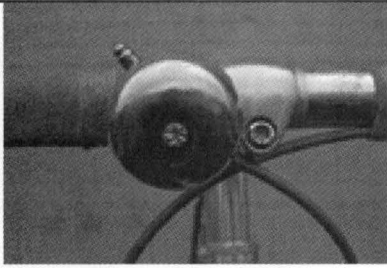
The 30 percent wipes out (and in some cases more than wipes out) our post-overhead profits, so don't go taking advantage of this if you don't qualify. Don't look for loopholes, either. It's not a high-horse offer, it's just a well-intentioned and honest one we haven't run by lawyers for approval. It may be discriminatory by some definition of “discriminatory”, but it's just lending some help to those who need it more than others.

If you get this or hear about it a day late, the deadline stands. Please don't ask us to extend it. We will already have said “No” to others, and if we extend it to you we'll be cheating them, and if we extend it to everybody, then our limited time offer doesn't really mean anything.

On the other hand, if you do not fall into that category, please then also consider us in your holiday shopping. Your purchases will help make up for any lack of profit or outright loss we incur selling to the guys who qualify for the discount.

We're all in this together.

Small good things that fit into stockings



Japanese Brass Bell \$11

Beautiful bell with a coil-spring striker. Rich & mellow ring never angers nobody. Lasts forever.

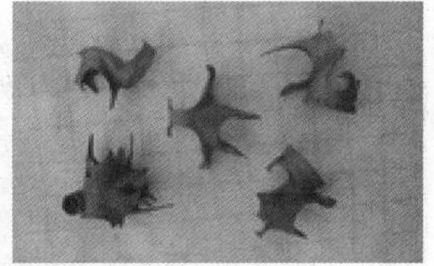
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Pine Tar Soap \$4

Our all-time best selling item. The strong pine tar scent cuts through the stench and washes right off.

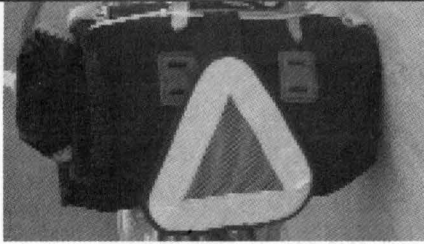
25-001



Random Lug \$10

Investment cast lugs that we just don't use anymore. Good for napkin holders and Christmas trees.

31-444



Reflective Triangles

Shouts "Watchit, Fella!" to approaching motorists. We use them day and night to stay alive.

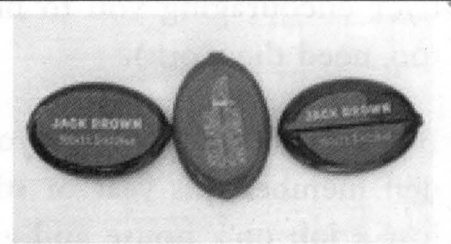
Mini 31-467 \$7
Big 31-460 \$10



Ankle, Spoke Reflector \$5

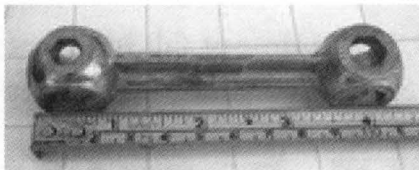
Our own design that I/Grant have used for 23 years. I've never been hit in the ankle.

Ankle Band 31-370
Spoke Reflector 313-371



Coin Purse \$3

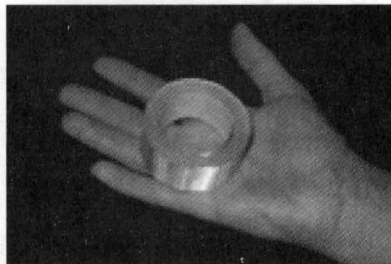
A.H.H. Blue 24-194
Jack Brown Green 24-195
Jack Brown Blue 24-196
Betty Foy Pink 24-236



British Dumbbell \$6

6mm through 15mm spanners in one small package. Good for axle nuts, fender nuts, brakes & more.

19-063



Reflexite Tape \$12

Same grade reflexite used on Dept. of Transportation vehicles and school buses. 14-foot roll.

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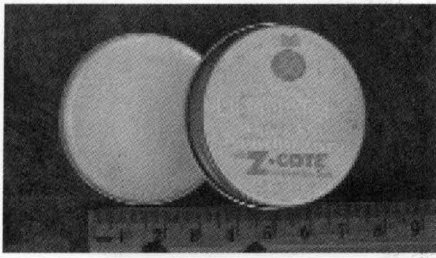


No-Kill Water Bottle \$5

Made of polypropylene, not deadly LDPE-4 plastic like normal water bottles.

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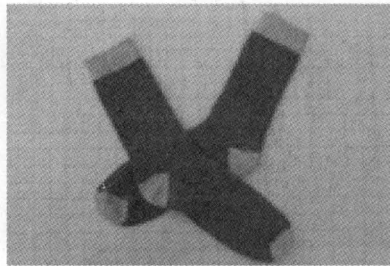
Small good things that fit into stockings



Dermatone-in-a-tub \$6

The kind Arctic explorers use. Refuses to be sweated or rubbed off. Smells good, has zinc oxide.

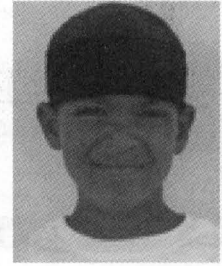
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Monkey Sox \$15

Medium-weight 95+% wool sock made in Minnesota by Vicki. Good for all seasons.

Grey S: 22-960, Grey M: 22-961, Grey L: 22-962, Grey XL: 22-963



100% Wool Sweatband \$13

Unlike cotton or other sweatbands that get soggy & stinky, this one can be rung out and used all day. Black.

22-154



2.4 oz Beeswax \$4

Rub on threads, where it acts as both a lubricant and a natural Loctite. In a genuine Dixie cup.

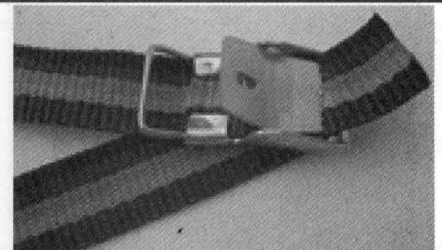
2.333 oz. cup: 31-002



Bondhus Allen Wrenches

Ball-ended allens that let you go at angles. If you value your sanity, you'll own one of these.

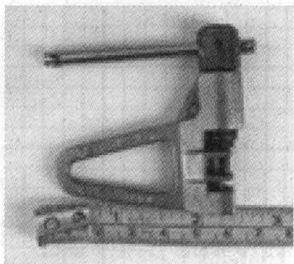
4mm 19-011 \$6, 5mm 19-046 \$7, and 6mm 19-047 \$8



John's Irish Strap

Good for strapping things on bags and racks, even as tent tensioners. Made in the Emerald Isle.

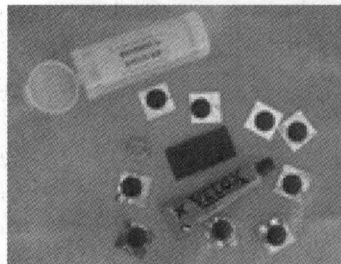
19 inch 20-092 \$5, 39 inch 20-138 \$6



Park Mini Chain Tool \$15

The smallest chain tool made that's not a pain in the neck to use.

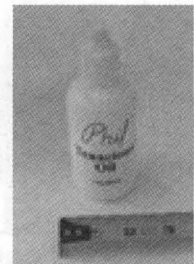
19-076



Einstein's Patch Kit \$5.10

Ten small patches, one glueless patch, abrader, glue, container, and no instructions.

10-048



Tenacious Oil \$8

The thickest oil around, but not as thick as grease. Remove pedal dustcap, lay bike down, pour in.

31-013

Everything good and \$25 or less



All Wool Australian Beanie \$25

Two thin plys of all smooth wool.

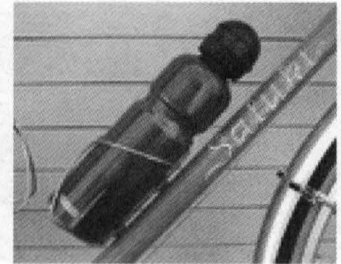
Dark Blue 23-025, Green 22-065, Lilac 22-772, Lite Blue 22-754. Pink 22-837, Red 22-749 Royal Blue 22-738



Cycling Cap \$14

Made in USA bike hat. All cotton. Short bill, fits to about 7 3/8.

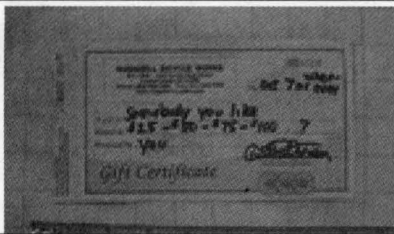
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Sigg Bottle \$22

Swiss aluminum with a dustproof top. Holds 24oz. Ought to last 30 years, cleanable, no poison or weird taste.

Blk/Red Top 29-023
Red/Blk Top 29-025



\$25 Gift Certificate \$24

Nobody doesn't want to get one of these.

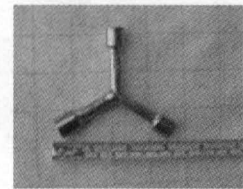
24-082



Japanese Titanium Bowl \$12

Weighs 2oz and holds more than you should eat at a sitting. Surprisingly cheap. Noisy, beautiful.

52-018



Hozan Y-Wrench \$13

An 8-9-10 chromed hardened steel Y-wrench. Buy two... you're bound to misplace one.

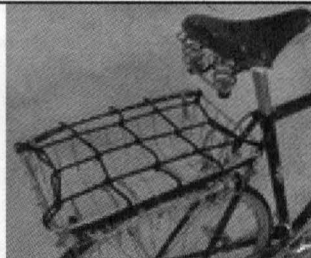
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Missourian RBW cap \$30

Stubby-bill all-cotton cap, khaki with navy bill and embroidered RBW logo.

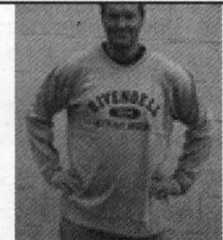
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Basket Net \$10

If you have a basket, you need a net. The best thing to do is zip-tie two of the corners, then just use two of the four hooks. Easier that way.

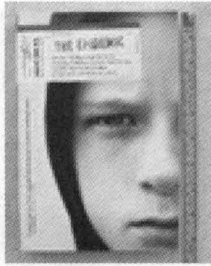
20-100



Riv Tee Shirt \$20

The toughest, softest T-shirt in the whole world. It's 90 cotton, 10 wood pulp (rayon), and made in No. Carolina by an old shirtmaker. S: 24-202, M: 24-003, L: 24-204, XL: 24-211, 2XL: 24-205

Everything good and \$25 or less



Epidemic \$11

A foolproof plan for raising children who care about other people and contribute to society.

23-037



Baby, Toddler Tapes \$14

Essential viewing for expecting parents and parents of toddlers.

Baby 31-380, Toddler 31-382



Song of Hiawatha

Written in iambic octameter in 1851 by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, but reads like a novel.

Hardback 23-034 \$23
Paperback 23-035 \$14



Parrots of Telegraph Hill \$23

Written by Rivendell member Mark Bittner, and a best seller. All true. His life with the parrots.

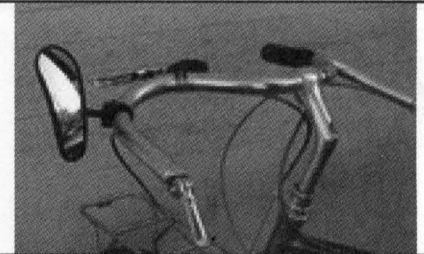
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Book of Nonsense \$10

Edward Lear's magnum opus, first published in 1848. Limericks, short stories, a botany lesson...

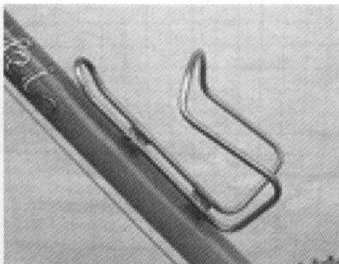
23-004



German Mirror \$22

Mounts onto any handlebar, forks. The best we've ever used. Tough, wide view, light, German.

20-177



Coloradoan King Cage \$15

Cheap and superb. Only 48g and good grip, no bottle-mar.

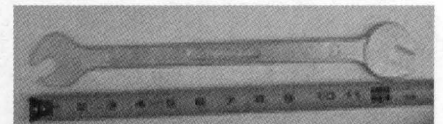
29-014



Nitto T-Shirt \$20

These didn't even exist a year ago. A local distributor got Nitto's OK to use the logo & here it is.

S: 24-222, M: 24-223,
L: 24-224, XL: 24-335

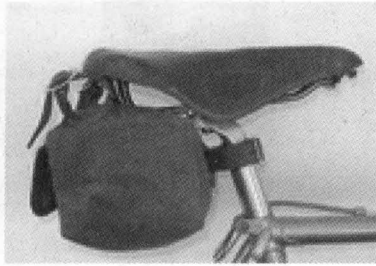


Pedal wrench \$16

The best we've used. Long, weighty, lasts a lifetime even when used daily in the shop.

19-051

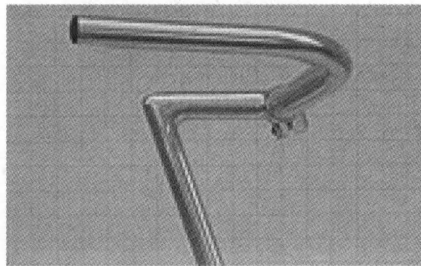
Everything good and \$26 to \$50 or less



Keven's Bag \$48

Maybe our most popular bag ever. Mounts on the bag loops mainly, easy to access, carries great.

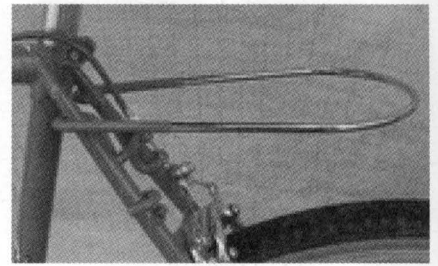
20-172



Nitto Albatross CrMo \$40

The smartest way to make any bike ten times more comfortable. Fits bar-ends. 25.4 x 22.2mm.

16-122



Silver Hupe \$30

Mounts onto almost any normal steel frame. An easily-removed saddlebag support.

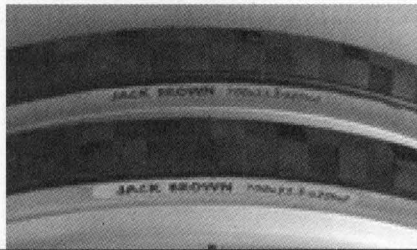
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Women's Wool Tank \$45

Ideal for warm weather. It looks normal and works great.

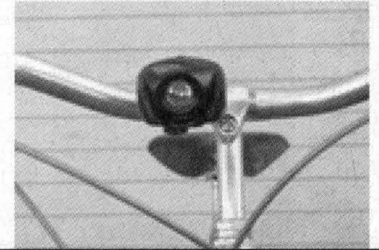
Pink XS: 22-856, S: 22-857, M: 22-858, L: 22-859



Jack Brown

Fast, light, fattish & cushy. About 33.3333mm diameter. Green is lighter, blue is tougher.

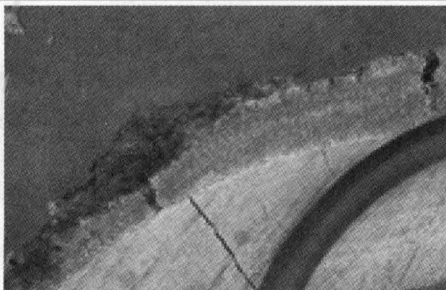
Green 10-091 \$43
Blue 10-092 \$48



EOS Light \$45

The best small battery light we've used. Three modes plus flash, mounts on bar, head, or helmet.

31-473



German Lock \$50

It's a cable covered by a hardened steel sheath. Wraps and stores better than a U-lock, and harder to bust than a cable lock.

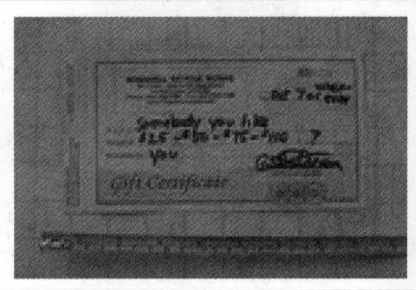
31-472



MUSA SHORTS \$40

Grey, just got them in. The best bike shorts we've used, and wearable anywhere shorts are allowed.

S: 22-995, M: 22-996, L: 22-997, XL: 22-998, 2XL: 22-999



\$50 Gift Certificate \$47

Don't know what to get your bike-loving other? Get them \$50 worth of stuff for only \$47.

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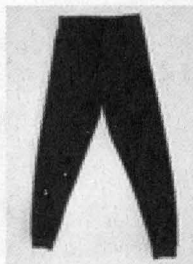
Everything good and \$51 to \$100 or less



New Zealand Wool Zip-T \$80

The most useful cool-to-cold weather garment we offer.

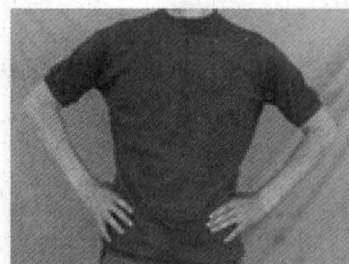
Black XS: 22-905, S: 22-906,
M: 22-907, L: 22-908



Aussie Wool Not-so-tights \$48

What we wear when it gets below 48F. This is what I/Grant sleep in on every bike campout.

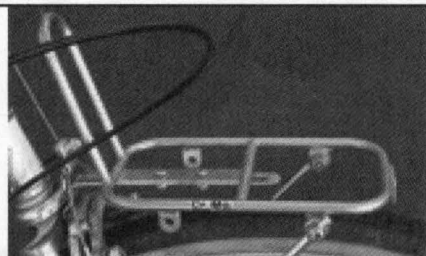
S: 22-128, M: 22-271, L: 22-272,
XL: 22-273, 2XL: 22-274



Kucharik Wool Jersey \$85-\$100

The best-made jersey we've ever worn. Rich, deep colors. USA.

Shop for these on our site. Blue, red, kelly green, and orange. LS or SS.



Nitto Mark's Rack \$90

The cleverest, most versatile rack around. Mounts front or back with any type of brake setup.

20-108



Li'l Loafer \$95

Designed to fit on a Mark's rack and the most perfect bag I/Grant have ever used.

Tan Canvas 20-163



LS Wool Crewneck \$52-55

Basic, useful, long-sleeved crew-neck T in lightweight wool.

BLK - S: 22-860, M: 22-861, L: 22-862,
XL: 22-863, 2XL: 22-864, 3XL: 22-865



Schwalbe Marathon Supreme \$60

An expensive tire that (practically) never wears out and never gets flat. Cheaper in the long run. Ea.

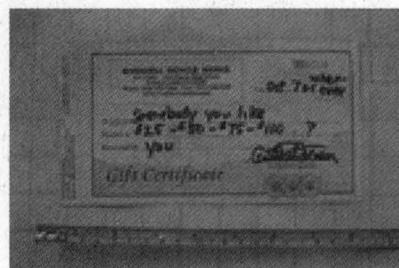
26" x 1.6" 10-105
700c x 35mm 10-101



MUSA PANTS \$55-58

Fantastic, super-light, full-cut, quick-dry with seamless crotch.

Grey/Blue S: 22-990, M: 22-991,
L: 22-992, XL: 22-993,
2XL: 22-994



\$100 Gift Certificate \$92

Most appreciative, least creative gift you can give. Sold for less than face value.

24-085

Everything good, but kind of pricey. Like, \$100+



Trangia Cookset

Simple, silent, safe, efficient. Burns alcohol, available everywhere, even Target. Swedish. Small for one to two people, big for more.

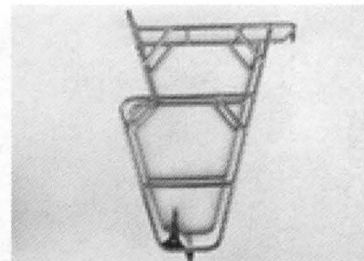
Small 52-048 \$115, Big 52-049 \$135



Nitto Big Back Rack \$145

The best, strongest & most beautiful fillet-brazed, nickel-plated, rack we've ever seen.

56cm & Smaller Frames 20-022
57 & Up 20-021



Nitto Big Front Rack \$145

Our design, with a big top platform and low bars for panniers. Perfect for heavy loads.

20-075



Tubus Cargo Rear Rack \$112

All-purpose, no-nonsense, black rear rack. Strong, light, a cinch to mount onto almost any bike.

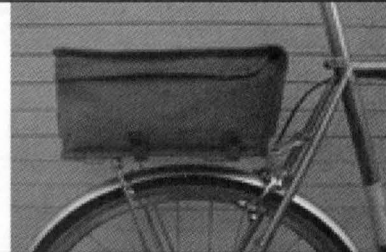
26"/650B 20-278
700C 20-179



Nitto Top Rack \$95

Doubles the usefulness of any bike. Comes with 4 sets of clamps and mounts on any bike.

20-095



Big Loafer \$100

Like the Li'l Loafer but designed to fit atop the Nitto Top Rack. Alternative to a saddlebag.

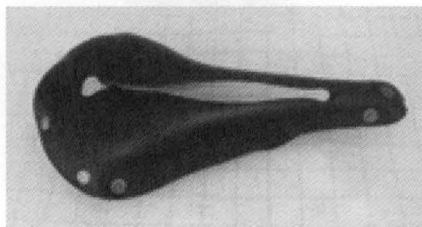
Tan Canvas 20-162



Woolistic LS Jersey \$120

Traditional cycling jersey made better than ever. Crew neck, short zipper & three pockets in back.

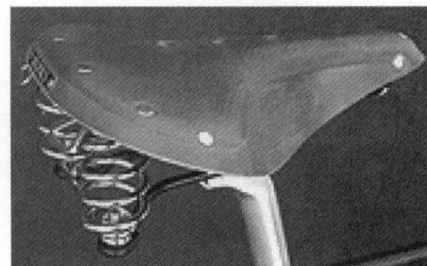
L: 22-727, XXL: 22-729



Selle An-Atomica Saddle \$175

Amazingly comfortable saddles. Made in USA. Steel rails.

Black 11-064, Brown 11-069,
Honey 11-061

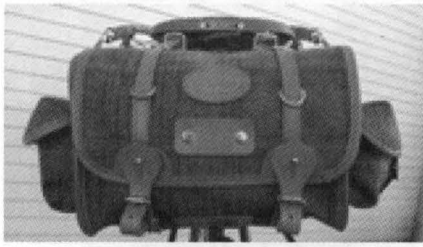


Brooks B.67 \$125

Wonderful saddle for and upright riding position when you aren't counting ounces. Can't beat it.

Brown 11-057

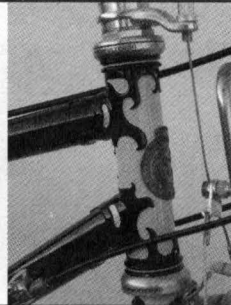
More pricey stuff



Country Bag \$185

As neat as a lady's purse and rugged to boot. Wool tweed laminated to cotton. Made in England.

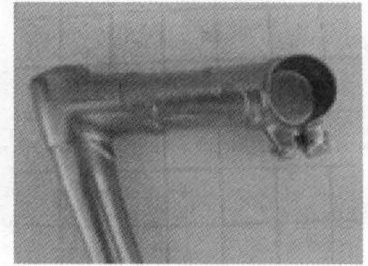
Green Plaid 20-124
Tan Canvas 20-161



Deposit on Frame \$300

Guarantees your spot on the waiting list for some of our more popular, harder to come by frames.

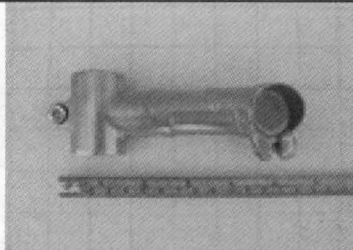
Call! (800) 345-3918



Lugged Quill Stem \$200

The strongest and most beautiful stem out there. Hand-brazed by Ms. Yabashi at Nitto with our lugs.

9cm 16-089, 10cm 16-090
11cm 16-191, 12cm 16-192



Lugged Threadless Stem \$180

An odd combo indeed, but the bee's knees for threadless steerers.

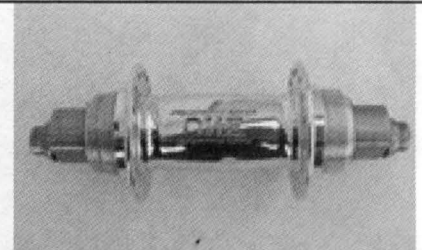
8cm 16-148
9cm 16-149



Budget 650B Wheelset \$250

Velocity Synergy rims, Shimano Deore hubs, DT Swiss spokes. An amazing deal

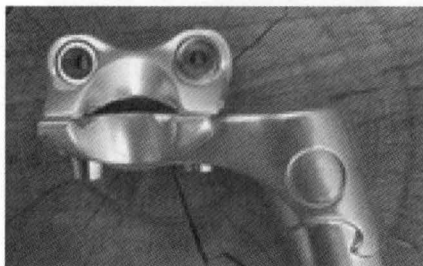
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White Ind. ENO Hub \$160

For making single-speeds out of frames with vertical dropouts. Superbly made in Petaluma, CA.

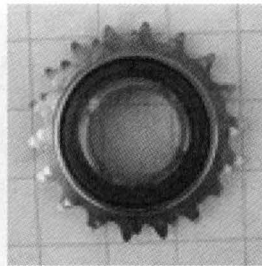
32H x 130 18-231
32H x 135 18-232



Nitto Wayback Seat Post \$185

Like our frames, lugged steel. 15mm more offset than a Crystal Fellow. Gorgeous.

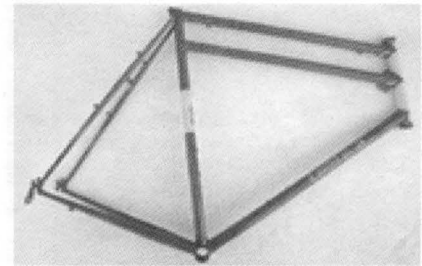
27.2 x 250mm 11-048



White Ind. Freewheel \$100

Two-cog freewheel for Quickbeams and other single-speeds. Well sealed, made in California.

16x18: 13-082, 16x19: 13-083,
17x19: 13-084

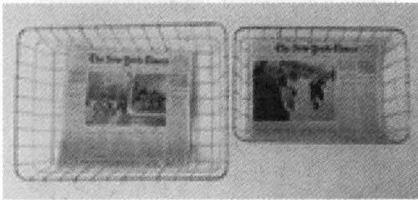


Homeless Frames \$1450-1850

Great deals on frames that, for whatever reason, have no homes.

Call! (800) 345-3918

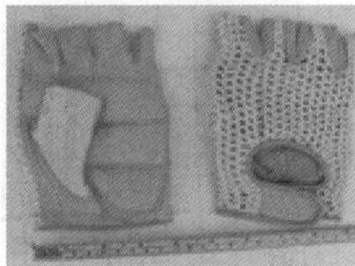
Everything good and \$25 or less



Wald Wire Baskets \$20

Chrome plated steel, smooth welds for no snags, flawless. Zip-tie them to a rack.

Medium 20-102
Huge 20-123



Summer Gloves \$15

Logo-less, leather palm, crocheted cotton back, cotton terry nosewiper thumb back.

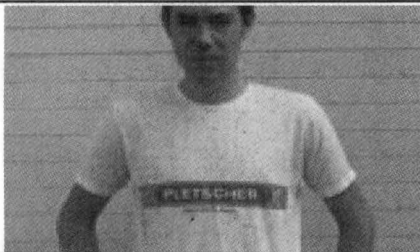
XL: 22-398, XL: 22-398,
3XL: 22-399



Hemp Twine \$5

You get 385 or so feet of twine for only \$5 and can use it for anything, like finishing bar tape.

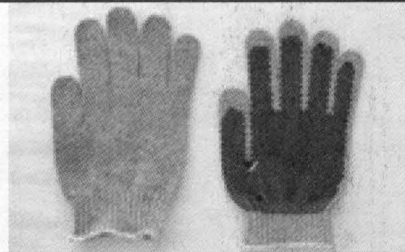
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Pletscher T-Shirt \$20

The logo hasn't changed for eons and likely never will. We have the world exclusive on these.

L: 22-263, XL: 22-264
XXL: 22-265



85% Wool Gloves \$12

Made in North Carolina with rubber dots on the fingers and palms, good for gription.

22-144



Pletscher Rack \$20

As good as it was in 1962 and still made in Switzerland. Spring-loaded mousetrap.

20-137



A.H.H. Swiss Knife \$25

A Victorinox Pioneer model engraved AHH. Useful tools for bike riders—knife, hole reamer, two screwdrivers, bottle & can opener.

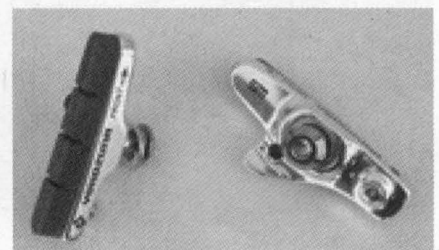
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Esbit Stove \$12

Folds to 4x4 inches, weighs 3.5 ounces. Same as it was 40 years ago. Fits anywhere & works.

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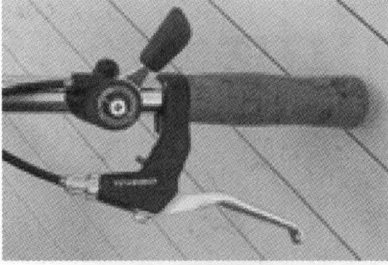


Cartridge Road Shoes \$10

A simple and smart way to greatly improve braking. If you have cheap blocky pads, get these.

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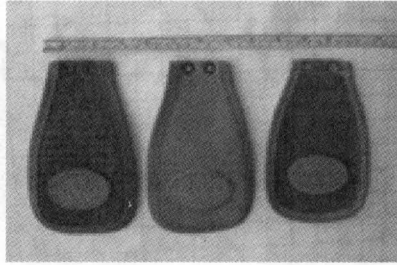
Everything good and \$25 or less



Mountain Bike Brake Levers \$25

The standard, normal, get-it lever for Albatross bars. High-quality, simple and cheap.

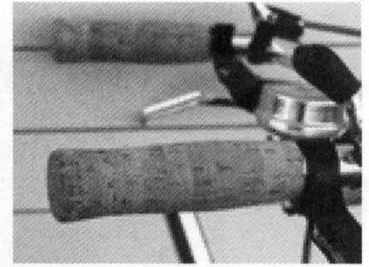
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Mudflap \$13-15

These are overthetop mudflaps. Really spiff up a fender. Functionally, nearly the equal of duct tape!

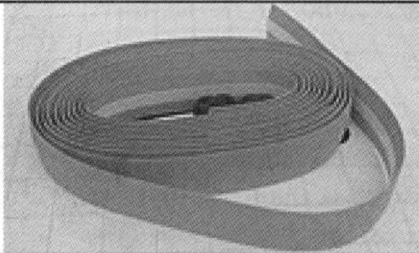
Tan Canvas 20-168 \$13
Green Plaid 20-130 \$15



Miesha's Cork Grips \$20

High quality ring cork, just like on the finest fly rods. Made for us in Portugal by a cork specialist.

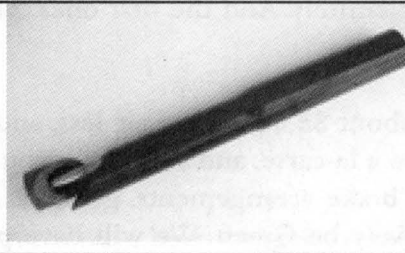
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Cork Handlebar Tape \$12

For use under cloth tape or on its own. The tan looks like leather when you shellac it. So shellac it.

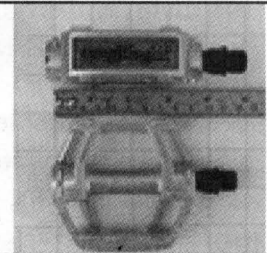
Tan 16-130, Black 16-160, Navy 16-138, Royal Blue 16-146, Light Grey 16-191



Stem Riser \$18

Easy, cheap, fast way to get bars up high and comfy. An odd gift, unless you know it's wanted...

16-190



MKS RMX Sneaker Pedals \$25

Large surface area makes them comfortable with any shoes. Reflectors built in. Most pop mod.

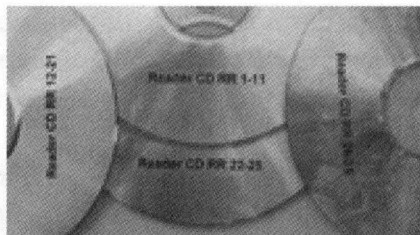
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Obenauf's Saddle Goop \$8

Made for the leather boots of firefighters. Widely regarded as the best leather preservative around.

31-344



Riv Reader PDFs on CDs \$10

Old issues in groups of four to eleven or so. Four total, \$10 each. Print them yourself.

RR 1-11: 24-127, RR 12-21: 24-128
RR 22-25: 24-129, RR 26-35: 24-156



Riv Reader Back Issues \$4

These are some of the original, first (and only) printing Rivendell Reader back issues. Complete the collection. While supplies last.

Call for availability

New Things Coming

Frames & Bikes

The Sam Hillborne is a touring/allaround Country bike, as much like an A. Homer Hilsen/Atlantis hybrid as a bike can be, functionally. AHH clearances (so, fits 40mm tires with fenders) and cantilever/V-brake set-up, like the Atlantis. Made in Taiwan by the Bleriot people—let me clarify that. There are no actual “Bleriot people,” but the same factory that made Bleriot frames are making this, and the quality is the same. Our lugs, crown, BB shells, and so on. Our design entirely. And the first ones will cost \$1,000 for frame, fork, headset, bottom bracket, and seat post.

We'll have complete bikes for about \$2,000 or a hair less, and as is the case with our other bikes, the “complete” bike will be a la carte, and we'll help you spec it to perfection with any of our bars, stems, tires, shifters, brake arrangements, gearing...what else is there? If there is anything else, that, too. It will likely be Green. We will have photos on the site by late December. Four sizes: 48 & 52 for 650B wheels; 56 & 60 for 700c wheels. The bikes are designed to—and thus will—fit riders from 5ft. 2in. to 6ft. 5in. It can be done in four sizes, as you will see.

The Betty Foy is our new inexpensive-ish mixte. It's coming about a month before the Sam Hillborne, and the pricing is about the same. Two sizes, both for 650B wheels: 52cm and 58cm. It comes in a spooky creamy light blue-gray-green.

We are still making our other models, although the Rambouillet's status is iffy. No fault of it's; but we have the AHH now, and despite all our models and other projects, we are still a small company with limited funds and space and sometimes we need to shelve things to fit in others.

Good delivery on Bombadils. Bad delivery on Atlantis and Glorius/Wilbury.



Bags

We are now and have always been baggers, and are coming out with Yet Another line of bags soon. They'll cost an arm and a leg, though. There's just no way around that. Everybody likes cheap stuff, everybody wants to buy stuff that somebody along the way lost money on, everybody wants the ultra-deal, and these bags will be good deals, but still expensive. Made by a small, seven-person company owned and run by two former design chieftains at Coach and Dooney & Bourke or however you spell it, before those companies were sold to investors and went, as they say, "off-shore."

Well, Helen and Ruth and Boris are still there sewing super-fine bags, and we're getting some. First ones should be here in early January or even late December. Some in time for Kwanza, etc. They'll be black. We may get some dark gray ones in later. The black looks good, though. The first one is a BIG saddlebag, sized for laptop, Wellingtons, lunch box, and a hard hat. You need a rack beneath it. Shortly after, a smaller version will come.

The printer is ready to print this, and lo & behold just told us we need to add two pages. That's why this may read sort of flippantly and unnecessarily. It is being written under much duress, but it is true nevertheless.

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