

## DECOR



## kitchen gadgetry

**O**all the rooms in a house, the kitchen presents unique decorating challenges because so much tends to happen in this single space. The kitchen needs to be functional, comfortable and inviting. Function is the cornerstone of a good kitchen design. A highly functional kitchen will not make you a master chef, but it will certainly improve the quality of time you spend there. It would be delightful to prepare a meal in a kitchen equipped with the latest appliances. This week, our focus is on innovative appliances for a smart, trendy kitchen. There are various items for a smart kitchen. We will discuss some of them.

**Sink:** The modern sink has come a long way from its humble beginning. Two and three bowl consignments are also gaining wide popularity. This arrangement allows you to separate clean dishes from dirty ones. Keep in mind that accessories such as a hand spray or water filtration dispenser each require a faucet hole or can sometimes be mounted on the counter top.

**Fridge:** A kitchen cannot do without a powerful and high-performance refrigerator that helps keep food fresh and properly

chilled.

**Range or burner:** This is the most important appliance. Nowadays, various types of burners are available in the market. A built-in range looks great in the kitchen. Kitchen safety is essential, so, to prevent gas leak hazards, when buying a hob, choose one that comes with a safety flame device.

**Hood:** Another safety item is the hood. The sleek and compact design blends perfectly into any stylish kitchen. It helps to ensure that your cooking area remains as clean and grease free as possible. There are some appliances that are stylish additions.

**Slow Cooker:** A great one-pot dish that cooks while you're asleep or away.

**Rice cooker:** Rice is a staple in every home in this corner of the world, so you've got to get this one right.

**Mixers:** Whether it's for mixing, mashing, whipping or kneading, if you make cakes or follow recipe books, then a mixer should be at the top of your list.

**Sandwich Makers:** No offence to the toaster variety, but there's nothing like making your own sandwich, and this one makes it easy as 1-2-3.

**Toasters:** It is an essential unit for every-

day breakfast.

**Deep fryer:** Crisp on the outside, moist and tender on the inside, deep-frying doesn't have to mean 'greasy'.

**Juice Fountain:** This unit gives the option of a 2-speed-control for juicing soft or hard fruit. The one litre juice jug also comes with a froth separator, so we get pure juice easily.

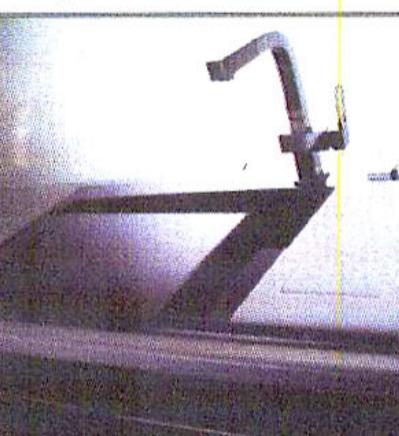
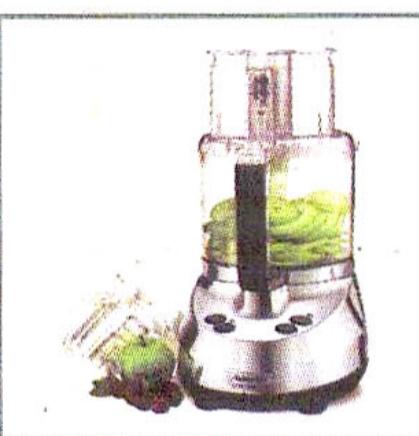
**Blending Ease:** This blender offers additional speed for increased versatility with blade speed up to 16,000 rpm. So, it helps very quickly for crushing the hard spices.

**Power shredder:** This metal food processor has a powerful induction motor, and is able to slice and shred whole fruits and vegetables in seconds.

**All in one:** This machine fulfils all your kitchen needs whether it may be food processing, blending, mincing or juicing.

**Microwave oven:** This is the most important feature for our busy life. These are the essential items for the kitchen. These appliances also help us for time saving and quick meal making. So, they are fashionable and regular items for a smart, trendy kitchen.

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## HOROSCOPE

### ARIES

(Mar. 21-April 19)

Be careful not to overexert yourself. Try to include friends and relatives in your activities. Try not to lend or borrow money this week. You may want to sign up for lectures or courses that will bring you mental stimulation. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.

### TAURUS

(Apr. 20-May 20)

Promote your ideas now. Be prepared for an active but rewarding day. You will be full of good ideas, and your choice of activities may bring you enrichment far beyond your expectations. Your pursuits may end up being fruit less. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.

### GEMINI

(May 21-June 21)

You may be sensitive concerning friends and their situations. Older family members may take advantage of you by making you feel guilty. Leave things as they are for the moment and focus on reaching your highest potential at work. You are best to listen for the time being. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday.

### CANCER

(June 22-July 22)

Partnerships may be strained if one of you has been erratic and hard to deal with. You will be attracted to unusual forms of entertainment and foreign cultures. Make residential changes that will lift your spirits. Don't let peers distract you or push their work your way. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.

### LEO

(July 23-Aug. 22)

You'll find travel or involvement in large groups gratifying. You're best to channel your energy into work. Try to address the real issues in order to turn things around. Get involved in physical activities that will stimulate you. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday.

### VIRGO

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Get the red tape and the unwanted paperwork out of the way. Avoid any petty ego confrontations; they could lead to estrangement if you aren't careful. You will be full of good ideas, and your choice of activities may bring you enrichment far beyond your expectations. You have to let go of your past if you wish to get out of any sentimental mood that might be hanging over your head. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

### LIBRA

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Do not get involved in joint financial ventures. Look out for those wanting to push you into a disagreement. Be prudent and don't be led down the garden path. You'll be dropping friends for no apparent reason. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

### SCORPIO

(Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

You're intuitive this week; however, this attribute could get you in trouble if you tactlessly say what you think. Don't divulge secret information. You can bet that you'll draw attention to yourself. Back off if you want to keep the relationship intact. Your lucky day this week will be Friday.

### SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Try to calm down and listen to your partner's complaints. Compromise may be necessary. Jealousy may be a contributing factor to your emotional ups and downs. You can make financial gains if you are prepared to take a risk. Relax and enjoy what you've accomplished when you're finished. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

### CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 20)

Problems with your mate will develop if you don't let them have their way. Put your emotional energy into passion not anxiety. Any financial limitations will probably have to be dealt with on your own. Overstatement will be your downfall. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday.

### AQUARIUS

(Jan. 21-Feb. 19)

You may have the day off but your thoughts will be on your work and your cash situation. You may need to make a choice. Be aware that joint financial ventures could fall apart. You may have difficulties while travelling or problems dealing with close friends or relatives. Your lucky day this week will be Saturday.

### PISCES

(Feb. 20-March 20)

Don't blame everything on your mate. Your temper may get the better of you if a colleague has tried to ruin your reputation. Make amends if you can. You will tend to overeat this week. Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday.