

□ Stuff I like

This is a list of a bunch of stuff I've bought after reading reviews, trying out several options, and ultimately... way too much min-maxing.

- *FYI - some of these will have my affiliate links - □*

Best Toaster / Toaster Oven

- [Balmuda Toaster](#)
 - This was on my radar for a long time and I was like "there's no way a toaster oven could be worth \$300!" - turns out, I was wrong. This is totally worth it. I tried it out at a hostel in Japan and was instantly sold.

Best Ice Cream Scooper

- [Zeroll Ice Cream Scoop](#)
 - Conductive and just works
 - Never hard to scoop ice cream or get it out of the scooper
 - Don't put in dishwasher

Easiest wireless & portable outdoor security cam

- [Blink Outdoor Wireless \(4th Generation\)](#)
 - 2 AA Batteries for 2+ years
 - Handles Chicago weather well!
 - I have 2nd Gen. 4th is better (tho pricier)

Best stepstool (if you have some space)

- [Cramer Kik 2 Step Stool](#)
 - Basically the cool library stools you remember
 - Slides and sturdy. Better than plastic versions in build & smoothness
 - Cool colors to choose from make it more of a "piece"

Best soundbar (if you care about aesthetics)

- Sonos Beam
 - White
 - Not massive
 - Sound is great
 - Works even better w Small Sub

Best TV (again, if you care about aesthetics)

- Samsung Frame

Best mountable rechargeable motion sensing LED

- 1 - Best Colors & Motion Sensing
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- 2 - Reliable & nice soft on/off
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Easy access Japanese Whiskies

- Hibiki Harmony (NAS)
 - Costco has this, but your local store should as well. Starting to get a little pricey but sometimes goes on sale.
- Akashi White
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- Fuji NAS

- Additional expressions starting to make their way to the states.
- Cool little Mt. Fuji at the bottom of the bottle

Best way to integrate Google Cameras & Doorbell into Apple Home

- Starling
 - Super simple & works great

Best Scratching Post for curious cats

- This one
 - Doesn't get easily torn up by cats
 - Place near spots they scratch
 - Multiple colors based on room
 - Is a little perch they can stand on too

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