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How to Stock a Basic Tool Kit

- Assorted hardware: nails, screws, eye and cup hooks, bolts, wing nuts, plastic anchors, screw eyes, wall anchors, thumbtacks, and picture-hanging wire
- Clamps: C-clamps and spring clamps
- Cordless drill, 9.6 volts, plus drill bits
- Cutters
- Hammer, 16-ounce
- Level
- Measuring tools: 25-foot-long measuring tape, straightedge metal ruler
- Pliers: slip-joint, needle-nose, cutting, and groove varieties
- Putty knife
- Safety equipment: protective glasses or goggles; leather and latex gloves
- Saw, general purpose, 15-inch blade
- Screwdriver: four-way, or four regular (small and large of each of the flat-head and Phillips models)
- Staple gun
- Utility knife, plus extra blades
- Wrench, adjustable
- Miscellaneous items to have on hand: pencil; flashlight; selection of sandpaper; felt pads; adhesive remover; carpenter's glue; tape: masking, painters, and duct