

# New Homeowner Starter Tool Kit

A printable shopping checklist to go with the full HomexaNest guide.

## The Starter Nine

*The core tools that cover most everyday household situations without a fully stocked workshop.*

- ☐ A reliable screwdriver set (multiple Phillips and flathead sizes, ideally with a magnetic tip).
- ☐ A claw hammer (a mid-weight option is easier to control than the heaviest one available).
- ☐ An adjustable wrench (covers a range of nut and bolt sizes without a full socket set).
- ☐ A tape measure (a 25-foot tape covers most household needs).
- ☐ A stud finder (a basic electronic model removes the guesswork for wall-mounted items).
- ☐ A level (keeps shelves, art, and fixtures from looking slightly crooked).
- ☐ A utility knife (with replaceable blades, for everything from boxes to caulk lines).
- ☐ A plunger and a basic drain snake (for minor clogs, before they become emergencies).
- ☐ A cordless drill with a few common bits (the first power tool worth adding).

## Safety Basics to Add Alongside the Tools

*Worth adding to the kit itself, particularly once a cordless drill is in the mix.*

- ☐ Basic safety glasses.
- ☐ A pair of work gloves.
- ☐ The safety guidance included with any new power tool, read before first use.

## A Second Wave, Once the Basics Are Covered

*Tools that address situations that come up less often but still matter when they do.*

- ☐ A basic wet-dry shop vacuum.
- ☐ A set of adjustable pliers.
- ☐ A small hacksaw.
- ☐ A headlamp or work light for dim spaces.

## Keeping the Kit Organized

*A quick reference for where things belong.*

- ☐ A small dedicated toolbox or wall-mounted pegboard for the full set.
- ☐ The most-used items (screwdriver, tape measure, utility knife) kept somewhere central, like a kitchen drawer.
- ☐ Bulkier or rarely used items kept in the garage or basement.