

### European-Style Scythes

Most Americans have abandoned scythes in favor of power mowing equipment, even when it comes to cutting weeds around buildings and fences.

But if you've grown weary of the whine of string trimmers, maybe you're ready to try a scythe.

If you've used a scythe in the past and disliked the experience, you were probably using the wrong kind of scythe.

The European-style scythe works so well you may want to park your lawn mower and use one to cut the lawn. The bush style of scythe may be used to trim undergrowth in your woodlot and the ditch style may be used for brambles and tough weeds.

Most scythes sold in America are heavy and poorly balanced. Not only that, but the angle at which the blade mounts on the handle (called a snath) tends to require that the worker bend over to cut with it.

On the other hand, European-style scythes are lightweight and well balanced. The blade and handle are positioned to allow a comfortable upright stance.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Scythe Supply, 496 Shore Rd., Perry, Maine 04667 (ph 207 853-4750; email: scythe@scythesupply.com).

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### V-Top trap catches up to 100 starlings or sparrows a day

You can catch up to 100 birds a day with this all-metal V-Top live trap.It's 5 ft x 5 ft x 6 ft.

Birds land on the top and then drop down through the narrow V opening. Because of a screen above the opening, they can't get out. If a friendly bird is trapped, it can be released unharmed.

The first birds are attracted by food and water. Once in the trap, **they** become the bait. The happier the birds in the trap, the more you catch. The trap breaks down into 14 welded wire-mesh, interlocking panels, four



steel corner posts, and the V cone. Wt.135pounds. \$530 plus shipping. Contact: FARM SHOW Followup: JWB Marketing, 2308 Raven Trail, West Columbia, SC 29169 (800) 555-9634 www.birdtraps.com Reader Inquiry No. 124

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Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, GD Equipment, 414 Rowe Road, Shippensburg, Penn. 17257 (ph 717 530-0170; fax: 717 530-7798). Business hours: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST, Monday thru Friday.

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