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### JETBOIL GENESIS BASE CAMP SYSTEM

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**The Genesis, Jetboil's new dual-burner propane stove,** boils a quart of water in about two minutes and can do a gallon in nine and a half. If that isn't fast enough, cook over a volcano.

Boiling water, though, while critical for getting that first cup of joe down the hatch, isn't the only measure of a stove. Equally important, and more so if you want to really cook—say, you have a hankering for an omelet—is a stove's ability to simmer. Not a problem. The Genesis has a micro adjustment that dials the heat all the way down to a flicker. *Rock and Ice* recently used the Genesis Base Camp System to prepare nourishment for 35 folks at the annual Photo Camp. It got the thumbs up.

Besides the stove's impressive power and adjustability, the Genesis system shone by having a five-liter cook pot with a lid and a medium-sized non-stick skillet, both with handles that stay cool. The pot, with a built-in heat exchanger, dispatches large orders but isn't too much for two to use. Get pasta noodles going in the pot on one burner, the sauce in the skillet on the other, and you pop the cork on the Chianti and settle in for a feast. When you're ready to move on, the Genesis folds in half and stows inside the pot.

—DR



### YETI HOPPER

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**Suds are only good cold.** Whether you're hitting the road for the weekend or living out of your car, keeping your beverages and perishables chilled is a necessity, and costs be damned!

The Yeti Hopper 20, 30 or 40—the numbers stand for the pounds of ice each can hold—is as close to refrigeration as you can get without a refrigerator. These soft-sided coolers are made from the same material as whitewater rafts, are leak- and puncture-proof, and have an anti-microbial liner to keep funkies at bay.

The 1.5-inch-thick closed-cell foam insulation keeps ice frozen for days, and if it melts, Yeti's "HydroLok" zipper, designed after the zippers on Hazmat suits, are watertight. You can toss the cooler in the car without danger of cooler juice leaving its mark.

But enough about ice; it's the cold ones that matter. The Hopper 20 can hold 18 cans of beer (24 for the Hopper 30 and 36 for the Hopper 40) at a 2:1 beer-to-ice ratio. Less ice, more beer. Or throw in a wheel of cheese, veggies and a few steaks, and you'll be the king of the campground.

—Hayden Carpenter