

Tackle Your Tailgate

These high-tech goodies will amp up any fall football gathering.

Beer Me, Bro

1. Oenophiles and beer connoisseurs won't want to leave this gadget at home on their next tailgating adventure. The Cooper Cooler Tailgater Rapid Beverage and Wine Chiller will turn your beer or wine ice-cold within minutes. The temperature can be adjusted to your preference with an easy to use touchpad, and it's perfectly safe for carbonated drinks. Equipped with a 12V car lighter plug, this travel-friendly beverage chiller is the quickest of its kind.

\$99.99 at Bed Bath & Beyond, multiple locations, bed-bathand-beyond.com



2. You won't forget your bottle opener again, thanks to Open A Case. These iPhone cases come armed with a bottle opener. \$19.95 at openacase.com



Live Action

3. Don't let unexpected rain wash out your tailgate. SunBriteTV produces easily transportable televisions that are resistant to all weather conditions. All SunBriteTV models

Grill Master

7. Tailgaters want a portable grill, but small grills often aren't efficient enough to feed hungry football fanatics. The Weber Q 220 has been remodeled and is now the Weber Q 2200. You can easily fold it up and throw it in the back of your truck (not literally, of course), and with 280 square inches of cooking area, this is the biggest

portable grill. \$249 at Home Depot, multiple locations | homedepot.com

8. Local store Alabama Gas Light and Grill suggests using one of the most popular and versatile ceramic egg-shaped grills, the Kamado Joe Jr., for your next tailgate. Instead of having to purchase the necessary accessories, this grill



AUBURN AND ALABAMA FANS RARELY SEE eye to eye, but most can agree that even though tailgating is loads of fun, a lot goes into the day-long adventure. Tackle your next tailgate with these essential gadgets that will make it easy to set up, clean up and enjoy it too.

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include extra bright LED displays and anti-reflective screens to deliver clear images even in bright daylight. Sunbrite 46" Outdoor TV Signature Series - SB-4670HD, \$2,895 at sunbritetv.com.



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3. Turn your smartphone or tablet into a television and catch the game live at your tailgate. Slingbox stays connected to your home TV, allowing you to remotely watch the game on any Internet-connected device. \$299.99 at Verizon Wireless, multiple locations, verizonwireless.com

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is equipped to grill, smoke and sear. Its thick ceramic housing ensures even internal temperature while grilling. \$949 at Alabama Gas Light and Grill, 2828 Linden Ave., Homewood | 205-870-4060 | alabamagaslightandgrill.com

9. Play corn hole, catch up with your mother-in-law or actually watch the game without worrying about your food, thanks to the iDevices iGrill. Controlled exclusively through its free



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app (which can be downloaded for both iPhone and Android), this wireless Bluetooth meat thermometer allows you to monitor your food from up to 200 feet away. \$79.98 at Verizon Wireless.

10. Even the ancient art of lighting a fire has been updated for the 21st century. The Looftlighter will light your grill with super-heated air in 60 seconds and can even "fast-forward" your charcoal briquettes to jump start the cooking process. Say goodbye to lighter fluid and harmful chemicals. \$79.95 at Williams Sonoma, 211 Summit Blvd. | 205-970-4101 | williams-sonoma.com



Turn Up The Bass

5. What is a tailgate without tunes? The Ultimate Ears Boom Wireless speaker allows you to enjoy 360 degrees of wireless, powerful music. The vibrant acoustic skin (which comes in black, blue, green, pink, red and white) is water and stain resistant. Weighing in at a whopping 1.5 pounds, the Bose Soundlink Mini fits in your hand, allowing you to enjoy music on the go. Unlike most speakers, the Jambox can be constantly updated via its mobile app, which will add new features as they are released. \$179.99, \$199.99 and \$299.99, respectively, all at Verizon Wireless.



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Capture the Moment

6. The A.R. Parrot Drone 2.0 is more than a toy. You can use it to capture overhead tailgating pictures, thanks to its frontal and vertical cameras. Capturing HD pictures has never been so fun. \$299.99 at Verizon Wireless.



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11. The Grillbot Cleaning Robot is the first hands-free, automatic grill cleaner that will cut your post-tailgate cleaning time nearly in half with the touch of a button. Think of it as a Roomba for your grill. Bonus: Its removable wire brushes are dishwasher safe. \$129.95 at grillbots.com ■



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