

# Portable Power Plucker Cleans Chickens Fast

The drill-powered Power Plucker lets you pluck birds wherever you want and do it fast. Bill Smith, Power Plucker, says it will pluck a scalded chicken in 90 sec. or less. The portable plucker works equally well on ducks, geese and even turkeys.

“Our sales really pick up in the fall,” says Smith. “Hunters have had great luck with ducks and geese. When they finish for the day, they pluck and dress in the field using a cordless drill.”

While it works well for hunters, the Power Plucker was designed for small flock owners and home processing. Smith says it’s a great alternative to more expensive and larger tub-type pluckers.

“Ours fills the need for those people who process 10 birds at a time or even batches of 30 to 40 over the course of the year,” says

Smith. “Just clamp it to a table and walk up alongside with a scalded chicken and let the fingers do the work.”

The Power Plucker has multiple rubber fingers that remove the feathers without damaging skin or meat. Smith recommends a 3/8-in. or larger drill or drill press. “The rubber fingers are good for hundreds, if not thousands, of birds,” says Smith. “If they ever wear out, I’ll send you a brand new Power Plucker.”

Smith says the drill-powered unit is more versatile than even he knew. “A vegan community had purchased 10 of them a year ago, and I called to ask why,” says Smith. “They told me the Power Plucker is great for peeling batches of potatoes. They put potatoes in a pail full of water and turn on the Power Plucker.”



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Smith sells other items designed for dressing chickens on the Power Plucker website. They include killing cones and knives. He also sells poultry watering systems.

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## Battery Tester For DeWalt 18-Volt Cordless Batteries

Anyone who uses DeWalt 18-volt cordless tools will like this new digital battery tester put together by Elam Stoltzfus of Kirkwood, Penn. The unit attaches to the posts on any DeWalt 18-volt battery and shows the voltage in big, brightly lit numbers on top.

“It tells you exactly how much voltage is left in the battery. As far as I know there isn’t anything like it on the market,” says Stoltzfus.

He says DeWalt’s 20-volt cordless batteries come with 3 built-in indicator lights that show you when the battery is running low, but they don’t show you the actual voltage. “The company’s 18-volt cordless tools don’t even have the indicator lights,” says Stoltzfus. “So if you have multiple batteries laying around and don’t know if they’re charged or not, you have to install them in the tool to find out.”

Stoltzfus bought a 12/24-volt meter and a plastic adapter with 2 metal prongs on it. He soldered the volt meter leads to the metal prongs and then glued the adapter onto the bottom of the volt meter.

“Everything is molded and sealed inside the tester,” says Stoltzfus.

“I came up with the idea because we’re Amish, and we started using modified DeWalt 18-volt LED lights in our house instead of propane-operated lights. The lights we buy come with a fluorescent bulb tube, which we replace with an adapter that lets us screw in the LED bulb.



**Digital battery tester attaches to the posts on any DeWalt 18-volt battery and shows the voltage in big, brightly lit numbers on top.**

“We might have 4 or 5 batteries on hand as backups for the lights at any time. The lights come with an automatic shut-off when the battery runs low. With the voltage tester we can quickly find out which batteries need to be charged.”

The battery tester sells for \$35, with free shipping anywhere in the U.S. (Pennsylvania residents have to pay a 6 percent sales tax.) For information on other great products call 717 529-0173 for a free catalog.

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