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Form Follows Phonics

FOR SOME TIME WE'VE LONGED TO RELEGATE THE UBIQUITOUS black electronics box to the slag heap of design history. For relief, we recommend the Nakamichi SoundSpace 21 home theater system. It's an aural treat for the techno-geek, eye candy for the visual aesthete. The 21 has four motorized speakers (front and surround) that move vertically in their rosewood-and-chrome towers, allowing you to select just the right angle for your (sitting or standing) position. You can also select from a number of different colors for the main unit's illuminated faceplate and for the cloth grille covers. The 21 is proof that a good electronics system need not dominate the room it's in—but can still blow the roof off the suckah. \$15,000; www.nakamichi.com.



Had John Gotti Only Known

ACCORDING TO THE U.S. State Department, American companies are crawling with illegal eavesdropping bugs. Now you can ensure some measure of security at home and on the road with this simple telephone security guard from Privatel. Originally designed for the defense industry, it's about the size of

a calculator, fits most any type of wire-line phone worldwide and, unlike other scramblers, won't make your voice sound like Donald Duck's. You'll need at least two, at \$595 per. Privatel: (877) 628-3694 or www.L-3Com.com/privatel.

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Pot Rocks

MMMMM...THERE'S NOTHING better than a lobster feast. Wait, yes there is: a lobster feast that you don't have to prepare. The easiest way to avoid that drudgery is the New England Lobster Pot from Balducci's. When ours arrived via overnight delivery, we hungrily tore open the package. Inside the chilled and self-contained steamer pot was a dazzling repast: unhusked corn, red potatoes, onions, clams, mussels and four groggy yet quite live Maine lobsters, all layered to cook timely and thoroughly. All we had to do was punch holes in the lid, pour in water and wine, bid the little fellas adieu and set the pot on the stove. Voilà: Forty minutes later the crustaceans were pink and succulent, the mollusks yawning and the vegetables sweet and nicely cooked. Best of all was the cleanup: We just stuffed everything back in the pot and threw it away. *New England Lobster Pot for two (\$80), four (\$150) or six (\$210), from Balducci's; (800) 225-3822, www.balducci.com. Scan below for Balducci.com*

