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A Simple Single-Handed Server

(NAPSA)—It's a balancing act. Have you ever tried to use two hands to serve yourself salad at a buffet while holding a plate, napkin and utensils in one hand? It's nearly impossible.

Most tongs tend to be too small to provide an ample portion and often pop open at the worst of times. The really long tongs force you to open your hand too far and are sometimes uncomfortable for kids and seniors. Two-handed servers can be awkward to use without making a mess or dropping everything. And pasta—still slick from cooking—is even more likely to end up all over the counter or table.

Fortunately, one cook has come up with a new kitchen gadget that allows users to grab and transfer a full serving with just one hand. Developed by the makers of MISTO, Snapi is a single-handed server that's great for salads, pasta, veggies and more. Using essentially a clamshell design, Snapi makes it simple to snap up food for a mess-free meal to be enjoyed by all—whether it's an intimate dinner for two or a family feast.

"No matter who uses it," says the cook and inventor, Tom Risch, "the ergonomic design fits easily and comfortably in the hand, even for people with limited motion,



A cleverly designed single-handed server is popping up in kitchens everywhere.

and we have seen kids actually having fun serving themselves veggies. When we have friends for dinner, we usually serve everything buffet style. I put a different-colored Snapi in each dish and our friends love them."

What's more, since the server fits right in your hand, you have more control. It'll even pick up a hot potato or a single cherry tomato. The season's smartest kitchen tool makes serving a snap.

The single-handed server costs \$9.99 and comes in four colors. It is available at specialty kitchen stores and mass merchandisers. To learn more, call 800-645-7772 or visit the Web site at www.misto.com.