Looking for Help Shopping for a Corn Stove

Posted by TonyB - 05 May 2012 18:09

Hi,

I am considering a corn stove and would very much welcome recommendations. Here is some relevant information.

I used to live in Massachusetts (read: extremely wooded area) in a home with electric heat and two wood stoves. I managed the stoves for ~15 years and just loved it. One stove was a hearthstone, the other a Lopi. The Lopi burnt like a blast furnace and I preferred it.

I especially loved the whole romantic feel of a sizable fire in the wood stoves during an especially harsh winter day. Feeling the convection heat, seeing the burn, enjoying the look of the stove overall…that sort of thing.

Now I live in rural South Dakota. I do not consider the area conducive to a wood stove as there are just not a whole lot of trees. All this being said…

I love a stove for its esthetics. The stove I want would be in my living room and be enjoyed as a piece of furniture. Ceramic glass a must.

I don’t have much of a footprint. I would have to go with a small stove.

As much as I like esthetics, while needing to have some, more important is a stove where I don’t have to wrestle so much with getting a fire going or keeping one going.

While I will certainly love the heat, the stove need not be heating a huge part of the house. Just the living room and adjacent rooms (dining room and kitchen) or even just portions of those rooms would be sufficient – though should the stove be able to heat more, that would certainly be fine!

I think that is about it.

Thanks in advance for any input…

Tony

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Re: Looking for Help Shopping for a Corn Stove

Posted by blume98 - 08 May 2012 01:47

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even with Bixbys problems ,still one of the best, service and parts are not a problem

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Re: Looking for Help Shopping for a Corn Stove

Posted by Nogas - 09 May 2012 13:04

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Another good stove is a Harman PC45. Can burn corn and any type of pellet you can throw in there, plus a large variety of other grains.

Try and find a good dealer, who will be there with service if you need it. Most of these parts can be found else where, but knowing you have a good service department behind you is a good thing.

I have been burning my PC45 for 8 seasons and just last fall, I replaced my first igniter, besides getting a couple of new stir rods. The stove has run like a champ.

Everyone has their favorites. Most are great stove that take a little learning on how to make adjustments to the fuel you are burning. Each batch of corn is differnt. Good luck on your investment and happy burning in the future.

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