

Press Release

New in the MTD Product Family

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GUTBROD Lawn Mowers with More Power and Comfort

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GUTBROD, the traditional brand from MTD, offers a new technically sophisticated, unique machine in its product range of self-propelled petrol mowers. The new lawn mower HB 53 RLS-HWBE with a Briggs and Stratton 700 Series DOV engine has special performance parameters, as well as a high degree of comfort.

A cutting width of 53 cm, an 80 liter grass catcher and a fully foldable ergonomic handle characterize this mower. This makes the self-propelled mower with electric start just right for large lawns or steep slopes.



As a so-called "4 in 1" machine it can mow and mulch, be operated with side as well as rear discharge and can catch grass in a rear-mounted grass catcher. A further special feature: the speed can be regulated via four gear stages and can thus, adjust itself to your own walking speed (variable speed). A robust steel deck, an easy to operate central height adjustment, as well as a grass bag with hard top and integrated bag full indicator complete the list of features.

In addition, GUTBROD is introducing other lawn mowers to the market that are perfect for both beginners and professional gardeners: the petrol mowers HB 42 with a cutting width of 42 cm and the HB 48 with a cutting width of 48 cm, as well as the self-propelled lawn mowers HB 48 R, HB 48 RHW as a high wheeler each with a cutting width of 48 cm and the HB 53 R with a cutting width of 53 cm.

GUTBROD – Traditionally innovative

If you are searching for that special something for your garden and want a piece of German engineering, you will probably choose "GUTBROD". The well-established brand was revived by MTD without losing its own individual character, reliability and longevity, as well as its outstanding technological and added features. And of course, it goes without saying that excellent specialized service is a part of the GUTBROD tradition.

The New Yard-Man Verticutter – Excellent Results with the Perfect Tool

If you wish to tackle a middle-sized to large lawn then the new Yard-Man verticutter YM 3516 VO is the perfect machine – its petrol engine has the power needed to get work done quickly and reliably.

The performance and comfort features of the YM 3516 VO, which is produced in Germany, put it in a class with the top machines on the market. It is powered by a MTD ThorX 35H engine with a displacement of 123 cc. With a working width of 40 cm and 17 flail double blades you can verticut a large area in a short period of time. The verticutter YM 3516 VO comes with a deflector and a grass bag. When verticutting you should cut a maximum of three to five millimeters into the soil. A deeper cut doesn't result in an appreciable advantage for your lawn's health and even leads to the blades wearing out more quickly. Thanks to the central height adjustment the cutting depth of the YM 3516 VO can be easily adjusted. The Yard-Man verticutter also leaves nothing to be desired in so far as ease of use is concerned. The handle is foldable and ergonomically formed so that you can effortlessly work with the verticutter over a long period of time.



Yard-Man – Technology meets design

Yard-Man products make gardening pure relaxation: their excellent technology and distinctive design see to that. Those who appreciate sophisticated ergonomics, comfortable handling and the advantages of specialized support will also feel at home with Yard-Man.

GUTBROD Lawn Tractors – More Technology and Comfort

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The new lawn tractors from the GUTBROD Premium Line are ideal for hobby gardeners with special requirements. The new tractors, produced in Germany, are equipped with especially low-maintenance and extremely robust Hydrostat transmissions which guarantee a smooth, comfortable driving experience. GUTBROD Premium Line tractors are available with side or rear discharge. A foot pedal control provides optimum control. The cutting height can be adjusted with one hand. With these lawn tractors, comfort is a top priority: all of them are equipped with a soft-grip steering wheel. A quick adjustable seat with a high back can be easily adjusted to the driver's size. The step-through frame allows you to comfortably get on and off the tractor. The grass catcher from the rear discharge tractor can be easily emptied from the seat.

New on the market are the JLX 92 SH with a cutting width of 96 cm and the JLX 107 SH with a cutting width of 107 cm, both with side discharge. The new tractors in the rear discharge class are the JLX 76 RH with a cutting width of 76 cm and a 210 liter grass catcher, the 92 RH with 92 cm and the JLX 105 RH with a cutting width of 105 cm. The JLX 92 RH and the 105 RH are equipped with a 240 liter grass catcher and also have a special deck wash nozzle, which you can attach a garden hose to. This facilitates cleaning after work has been done.



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Cub Cadet Tractors with a New Look - Form and Function that Convinces



Cub Cadet, the premium brand from the MTD family, put emphasis on a well-balanced silhouette when designing the rear discharge unit of the Series 1000. The new double-front bumper "Deluxe" makes the tractor an optical power house, a combination of strength and elegance. In addition, a new dashboard with a view of



the level indicator of the fuel tank was integrated. The lateral fuel filler neck allows easy refueling. All tractors of the Series 1000 are equipped with cruise control. Their ball bearing wheels are especially gentle to the turf due to their wide contact area and special profile; the seat can be adjusted to fit the driver's

height. The grass bag can be lifted electrically and a bag full indicator with an acoustic signal warns the driver when the grass bag is full. Tractors from Cub Cadet are ideal for professional use, whether for large lawns or impassable areas. The Series 1000 tractors from Cub Cadet are the perfect equipment.

The following lawn tractors were introduced with a new look: the CC 1016 RD-E with a cutting width of 92 cm and a 350 liter grass bag, the CC 1024 RD-N with a cutting width of 105 cm and a 350 liter grass bag and the CC 1024 RD-J with a cutting width of 122 cm and a 400 liter grass bag.

Cub Cadet – Future-oriented thinking

Cub Cadet, the premium brand from MTD, embodies the perfect synthesis of power, endurance, functionality and comfort - characteristics that inspire hobby gardeners and gardening pros. Cub Cadet tools don't make compromises in performance and quality and set the standards in their respective product categories.

When you choose a product from Cub Cadet, you select the very best for your gardening work and service from a competent specialty retailer.

About MTD Products AG:

The MTD Products AG, Saarbrücken-Bübingen is the European headquarters of MTD Inc., which is based in Cleveland, Ohio (USA). It was established after the takeover of the tradition-rich German manufacturer GUTBROD by MTD in 1996. Its market share places it among the top-ten manufacturers of powered garden equipment worldwide. In Europe, MTD has its own sales locations for Germany, France, Belgium, Austria, Denmark, Hungary, Sweden, Bulgaria, Russia, Switzerland and Poland. All other European markets are serviced via sales partners and importers.

The MTD portfolio in Europe comprises the brands MTD, GUTBROD, Yard-Man, Cub Cadet and WOLF-Garten. Its product range includes electric and petrol mowers, verticutters, lawn tractors, compact tractors, ride-on mowers, garden shredders, brushcutters, tillers, snow throwers, chain saws, seeds, fertilizer, garden shears and lopping shears, as well as gardening tools.

The European product plants are located in Germany (Saarbrücken-Bübingen, Betzdorf, St. Wendel) and in Hungary (Nemesvamos).