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NEW YEAR, NEW GEAR

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1. LYMAN GUN CLEANING GEAR

The Universal Bore Guide set (\$15) with interchangeable tips will work on rifles from .17 to .416 calibers. It will fit most bolt-action rifles and it includes a special adapter for AR-type rifles. The Universal Cleaning Rod System (\$75) will clean all rifles and handguns with two 12-inch and two 36-inch rods. The rods are chemical resistant and have a proprietary epoxy coating. The Complete Jag & Brush Set boasts 26 jags and brushes (\$33) that fit into a handy hinged storage container, and covers calibers that range from .17 to .45. (lymanproducts.com)

2. FLYING CIRCLE SCOPED RIFLE CASE

One of the best values for a soft rifle case on the market, the Flying Circle Multicam case is built with quality construction and has plenty of well-thought-out features. It will hold most scoped rifles up to 47 inches long. The padding is thick and dense—not floppy like many cases. The zippers can be locked on the rifle compartment, and extra pouches can be added on the MOLLE webbing. There is a large, handy side pocket with two interior pockets, an adjustable padded sling/strap and grab handles on both ends. (\$72, flyingcirclebags.com)

3. GUN SLICKER SCOPE AND RIFLE COVERS

They are like galoshes for your guns. Slip them on quick and easy and they will protect your long gun or scope from the elements. The GunSlicker (\$25) packs down to a softball-sized pouch, a nice option when you don't want to deal with a soft-sided case. The ScopeSlicker (\$16) is the same concept—just smaller and sized for most riflescopes. It has a handy micro fiber lens cleaner stitched inside. The fabric is quiet. This is a nice departure from tangled plastic scope covers attached to bungee cords. Both covers are waterproof and are made in the U.S.A. (alpineproducts.com)