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Grillzapoppin'

Everything Barbeque owner Scott Grigsby displays ceramic grills.

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This Father's Day, toss the dorky ties and ditch the boring slogan-emblazoned mugs. Instead, give Dad a gift that he'll cheer all year long: a deluxe outdoor cooking ensemble. Choices for patio chefs have moved way beyond a simple grill, and with today's new selections, it's easier than ever to be a backyard gourmet. Cook up a combo that will satisfy with these appetizing ideas from local stores.

The store's name definitely won't disappoint at Everything Barbeque (13833 N. May; 463-3227). This haven for hamburger lovers provides everything needed to lay the groundwork for an ideal backyard grilling experience. Those looking to splurge for Father's Day can create a plan to have a new outdoor kitchen installed to their exact specifications.

Custom islands and workstations incorporate the all-important grill with equipment-like refrigerators or coolers, pizza ovens, warming drawers, sinks and storage. Special touches include amenities like misting systems for hot days and fireplaces for chilly nights.

For a more basic setup, the store also sells a huge range of workstation grills and smokers that you'll be cooking on before sundown, as all of the store's grills come assembled and ready-to-go. Options include gas, charcoal and electric grills, as well as smokers that will slow-cook meat to mouthwatering perfection. Brand names carried by the store include Tulsa company Hasty-Bake, Horizon Smokers, Weber, Viking, Lynx and many more.

This all-encompassing store also carries loads of accessories like cookbooks, smoking woods and charcoal, and a huge selection of sauces and spices from names like Sticky Fingers, Rendezvous and Oakdale Farms.