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A leaf blower is the perfect tool in your garden to move and get rid of leaves and other debris. There are models with vacuum able to suck in leaves and small twigs, chopping them for storage in a bag.

Japan was the country where the leaf blower was invented in the 1970s. Initially, it was used by American farmers as an agricultural sprayer. Later on, the chemical sprayers were removed and the device was turned into a leaf blower. The huge opportunity of such a device was instantly spotted by manufacturers to market it as the perfect garden tool. As these machines were quite noisy, they were banned by numerous municipal and city administrations.

If you are thinking about purchasing a leaf blower to simplify the cleaning process of your garden, carefully analyze the available features of each model.

Your selection should be primarily driven by the size of the garden and the amount of leaves you need to get rid of. An important factor in the selection of the leaf blower is the amount of air output. The leaf blower's weight is also a decisive factor. The vacuum capability and capacity are of outmost importance.

You should also ensure the machine can direct the leaves right into the incorporated bag instead of blowing them around. Gas blowers are quite powerful, but are also noisy as compared to electric blowers and vacuum.

A basic leaf blower model with reasonable vacuum capacity generally includes a 1600W electric motor. The available options allow the machine to blow, suck and shred leaves. For the collection of the debris, there is a bag placed in the back. These models cost about \$65.

If you want to eliminate the restrictions of an electric cable, go with a gas/petrol operated leaf blower/vacuum. This is a perfect tool for larger gardens with numerous trees. The engines of petrol operated blowers are two stroke engines of 29 CC, with electronic system to start the unit. Such a model would cost you about \$500.

There are other models which are not so expensive. There are leaf sweepers or blowers with vacuum that are electrically powered. These models are quite powerful and are perfect for most home gardeners as it features airflow of 200 miles per hour. The price of this model is around \$160 and it is a very user friendly blower, because of such included accessories as the collection bag and shoulder strap.

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