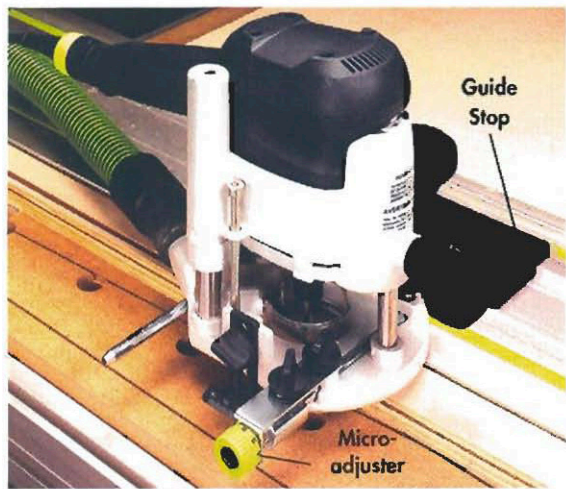


# PLUNGE ROUTER



A router is a central tool in any woodshop. And all the more in this case, where we don't have the option of a table saw and dado blade for cutting joinery. And in the interest of keeping tool size to a minimum, our shop doesn't include a router table.

What the Euro Shop does have is a high-quality plunge router (Festool model OF1010) and a host of attachments to adapt the tool to a wide variety of applications.

The router itself is among the smoothest running and quietest you're likely to find — testament to a perfectly balanced motor. The shape of the router, although a bit unusual, makes a lot of sense. The power switch is located on the underside of the pistol-grip handle and is easy to reach. The shape of the handle allows a natural grip and excellent control.

The plunge action is equally impressive. It's so good, in fact, that

you can plunge this router smoothly with just one hand on either handle.

Another great feature of this router is a leveling foot (*Photo, below*). This eliminates the problem of "router tip" when only part of the base is supported on the workpiece.

As far as attachments go, the router comes with a "guide stop" that adapts the router to any of Festool's guide rails. An edge guide with a dust collection port is also standard. Between the two of these, you can accomplish most routing jobs. For greater precision, add the optional microadjuster. This works with the guide stop for precision adjustments when routing with the guide rails. This is priceless for fine-tuning the width of dados or rabbets, or just precise placement of routed features such as flutes.

Of course, this router boasts the same impressive dust control qualities that are a hallmark of Festool.



## ◀ LEVELING FOOT

*An adjustable support keeps the router from tipping when the base extends beyond the workpiece. A scale on the foot helps to align the bit.*