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(57) A hand tool retaining device (10) having an elongate backing element (12), a base element (14), an elongate guide element (16) and a retaining clip (18) for reversibly retaining a hand tool within the hand tool retaining device is provided. The guide element is disposed along the back element. The guide element has an elongate slot (68) with an opening (72) proximate to the top end of the slot for placing the head of the hand tool within the slot. The guide element is disposed along the backing element such that a hand tool can be disposed against the backing element with the head of the hand tool resting upon the base element, with the handle of the hand tool disposed parallel to and contiguous with the backing element, and with the head of the hand tool disposed within the slot.

