

New Products: Robot mows lawn while you nap

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The hammock looks inviting, but your lawn needs to be mowed. A Robomow robotic mower provides a tempting solution. Powered by a rechargeable battery, the mower trims your lawn while you nap in the sun. Before you can put the mower to work, you'll have to set up the mowing perimeters with the included perimeter wire and plastic pegs. This lets the mower know where to mow and — more important — where not to mow. When the mower senses an obstacle, the blades will stop moving and the mower will change course. Forgetful? You can set the mower to do its job at preset times and days. The RC306, a mower that can handle a 6,500-square-foot lawn, costs about \$1,100. The RM200, a basic model that can handle a 2,200-square foot lawn, costs about \$800. Other models are available.