

BLACK+DECKER

When you trace it all the way back, it comes down to three individuals: Frederick Stanley, Duncan Black, and Alonzo Decker.

For 175 years, we've been proud to continue their legacies and proud to carry their names forward.

In 1843, Frederick Stanley started a small shop in New Britain, Connecticut to manufacture bolts, hinges, and other hardware from wrought iron. With superior quality, consistent innovation, and rigorous operational improvement, Stanley's company defined excellence, and so did his products.

In 1910, Duncan Black and Alonzo Decker started their shop, similar in size to Stanley's at first, in Baltimore, Maryland. Six years later they changed the world by obtaining the world's first patent for a portable power tool, and the company they built has been changing our country and the world ever since.

Both companies grew simultaneously over the ensuing decades, amassing an unparalleled family of brands and products and an even more impressive wealth of industry expertise.

In 2010, the two companies combined to form Stanley Black & Decker, Inc. to deliver the tools and solutions that industrial companies, professionals, and consumers count on to be successful when it matters most.

Today we continue to build on the momentum of outperformance on which we have built our reputation, propelling Stanley Black & Decker into future centuries with breakthrough innovation, a passion for our end-users, and a commitment to serve and empower those who make the world.

Making the Task at Hand Easy by Design™

Since 1910, BLACK+DECKER® has been setting the standard for innovation and design of power tools, outdoor yard care equipment and home products. The inventor of the first portable electric drill with pistol grip and trigger switch, BLACK+DECKER has evolved from a small machine shop in Baltimore, Maryland to a global manufacturer with a broad line of products. We make the task at hand easier, so you can spend more time with friends and family enjoying your space, inside and out. Innovating for over a century has allowed us to earn a reputation for making it Easy by Design.