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The best thing you could possibly do is look for tools that are better quality than the original, firstly the only really useful tool that my new Yamaha came with was a chain lock that was activated by the ignition key, the rest was fine if you want to round off nuts & bolts and chew out the internals of cap-screws with bollox Allen keys. The tool kit you ride with needs to be able to dig you out of any and all emergency situations and to prepare yourself for them is to try to defy Murphy's law which even if you think Murph was an optimist, is a hit and miss thing BUT if you prepare for it you may reduce the likelihood of it actually happening. One of the best items in my riding kit is a piece of pipe that is cut off at a 45 degree angle, I've yet to need it but the previous owner of my XJ said it was a good substitute for a brake/clutch lever in the event of a spill. The tool kits are a token gesture and it doesn't take a boy scout to better equip yourself against an emergency, just a little thought...