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Making Furniture Masterpieces: 30 Projects With Measured Drawings (Dover Woodworking)



Synopsis

This clearly written how-to book by master craftsman Franklin H. Gottshall allows woodworkers to construct handsome, useful furniture in the most highly regarded antique styles. Characterized by beauty and richness of design, each of 30 different projects — all replicas of actual rare furniture — can be completed by ambitious beginners as well as skilled crafters for only a fraction of what vintage originals would cost. Woodcrafters can choose from pieces spanning a wide variety of styles — from a simple dovetailed box to an elegant Philadelphia Chippendale highboy. Included as well are directions for constructing a Dutch cupboard, refectory table, gateleg table, shelf top corner cupboard, Queen Anne hall table, Pennsylvania Dutch painted chest, and other distinctive pieces. Easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions are accompanied by photographs and drawings as well as front and end views and detailed sketches of parts and procedures. Decorative skills such as woodcarving, upholstering, finishing, and wrought-iron work are also fully described and related for each piece.

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Customer Reviews

I HAVE ENJOYED THIS BOOK AND HAVE CREATED SEVERAL PIECES OF PERIOD FURNITURE FROM USING THE PATTERNS IN HERE. I RECOMMEND IT TO ANY WOODCRAFTER WHO IS AN ADVANCED BEGINNER AND LOVES BUILDING FROM THIS

PERIOD!!

I have four of his books and find each following a pattern I appreciate; line drawings with measurements, bill of materials, directions , construction techniques.

The book has all kinds of furniture in it with plans, its not for the beginner. the plans are in blueprint form.

Old but good book.

Just What I Wanted!

JEEZ. HOW DID I EXIST W/O THIS REVELING BOOK. PLAN AFTER PLAN AFTER PLAN. WHAT MORE COULD A WOODSMAN WANT TO READ ON A COLD DARK WINTER'S NIGHT.

Great book, great pictures at some parts hard to read the plans but makes up for it in detail of craftsmanship. much recommended for antique replica furniture builders.

This makes for nice reading, but, the drawings and directions are hard to read and understand.

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