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Woodworking For Young Makers: Fun And Easy Do-It-Yourself Projects



Synopsis

Learning to be a maker has never been more fun. Full-color cartoons and drawings lead you through the steps needed for making a wizard wand, a sanding block, a charging station for your phone or tablet, and a sturdy box with a hidden compartment. You'll learn how to choose and use the right tools, measure and cut properly, sand, glue, and finish your woodworking projects to make them look great. This is the perfect guide for young people who want to do woodworking at home, at school, or at a local makerspace. It teaches fundamental skills and unlocks creativity. No prior experience or knowledge of tools is required. Everything you need to know is explained in the text and cartoons. This easy-to-follow guide is suitable for all ages. It features: Lavish cartoons and line art Step-by-step instructions with full-color art Projects that are fun and useful Basic skills, handy tips, and safety precautions Woodworking is the most universally useful of crafts. In this book, young adults will learn to work successfully with standard hand tools found in any garage or basement workshop and in any school shop class. The skills learned here will unlock a lifetime of useful skills and satisfying accomplishments.

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View larger Welcome to the World of Woodworking Hi! I'm Makey! You may have seen me if you've been to a Maker Faire. I was created to make, and I love to help people become Makers. In this book, we're going to work together on several woodworking projects that are fun and will have your friends and family saying, "How did you make that?" You'll learn how to use common workshop tools to make uncommon stuff. I'll show you how to use tools safely and correctly and how choosing the right materials can add that wow factor to your finished pieces. I'll even share some pro Maker tips along the way! You'll find that as you work on these projects, your woodworking skills and imagination will grow and you'll probably start to think of new things to make on your own. Making with wood can be a hobby or maybe even a profession that will stick with you your whole life. Let's get making!

Excellent book for young makers wanting to work with wood.

I have been an avid woodworker for about 15 years. I enjoy many types of projects, but i gravitate towards box making and joinery. I became interested in woodworking by helping my kids with their Pinewood derby cars. From design to painting and sealing my kids were involved in every aspect of their cars. Now, teenagers we look back at those times with great fondness. Most kids seem to gravitate towards building things at some point in their lives. Woodworking for Young Makers aims to get them beyond the initial confusion of what to make and how to start, and get the kids to focus on what needs to be done. The book is highly illustrated with pictures and images a child can relate to. While the book has four main projects, the goal of the book isn't about the objects being made, but the basic knowledge of tools and tool safety that is involved. Each project adds a few new elements to show the kids new tricks. It will hopefully demystify the garage and "Dad's tools" for your kids. This is a great book. I could not recommend more highly. It is a book for both parent and child. Parents should guide, encourage, and always congratulate their little workers as they march their way through this book.

I got this book as much for me as for my 12-year-old son. My thought was that we could learn and make something together. After all, I never had anyone teach me how to use tools so this book seemed perfect for a newbie like me and my son. I like that there are some kid-friendly projects (Wizard's Wand) and practical (charging stand, secret compartment box) projects in the book. The book walks you through each project -- including materials needed and each step -- and includes simple diagrams and illustrations to help you complete each project. Everything seems fairly straightforward but, at the same time, doesn't seem like it is "dumbed down" for kids. You're using real tools and wood to make real projects. If, like me, you want a way to introduce yourself and your kids to using tools and exploring the possibilities for woodworking, this seems like a great book for accomplishing this goal. Caveat: We haven't yet tried to make any of the projects yet (we plan on doing this over the summer months), but I'll try to remember to come back give a report on the results once we do.

This book allows for a nice introduction to making items with tools. Mostly our kids "make" using cardboard and tape, so this was a step up in a way. Some hand tools, some electric. We had the basic tools like, like a hammer and wood, though to make it easier you will need a saw (hand or electric) and a drill. It definitely talks a lot about safety. The "maker" is a red robot like thing, not particularly appealing to all but I can see how some kids would like it. I like that the kids are equally male and female, and more than just Caucasian. There are 4 projects: making a wizard wand, a sanding block, a charging stand (its not as easy as it sounds) and finally a secret compartment box. They also talk about finishing the wood, and eventually how to choose nicer woods. My kids are makers but I am not super creative, so this was a nice way of introducing those concepts and helping ME in a way help them.

This is excellent for homeschoolers. The dad in this household has his own wood shop and young son is interested in being like dad but he's too young to use the electric saws and tools dad uses. This book offers some simple beginner projects that dad can direct so his little guy can enjoy the satisfaction of making something. Our philosophy of homeschool is to teach life skills along with academics and this is a good unit for our little guy.

My nine year old son is very interested in woodworking. Dad (me) has a full workshop, but with many dangerous tools and equipment. Now that he is out for Summer Vacation, he really wanted to do some wood projects, and this book is the perfect starting point for his entry into the makers

world. The projects are well laid out, with detailed instructions, illustrations, and tools/materials needed to complete. The first chapters are for learning safety, tools, and accessories...and all in a language that kids will understand and read easily. The only power tool used in the projects is a drill and rotary tool. Everything else is hand tools, or tools that are "made" like sanding blocks. Excellent intro! My son really likes Harry Potter stories and movies, so the first project in the book to make your own magic wand was a perfect start! He can't wait to do more of the projects in the book. I have other children's woodworking project books, but this one is much better targeted at the KIDS, and not just the adult mentors to follow. Excellent book that will encourage future interests in woodworking by building the projects in the book. Very Pleased!!

I was so happy when this arrived. My nephew is 8 and was so excited when we went over it together. We decided to do the wand and I will tell you this is FANTASTIC. A step by step book full of safety tips. Great projects _ we did the magic wand. And Very easy Do-It-Yourself projects. The author kept in mind his young audience. That is key. The pictures are well done. I give this 10 stars if possible. You will find this to be great for all ages. LOVE.

As soon as this book arrived my son disappeared with it. He and dad have many summer plans already in the works for making the things inspired by this book. It's the perfect thing to keep a kid busy and creative for summer break! Easy to understand with great pictures and illustrations.

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