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Woodworking (Kidcrafts)





Synopsis

Designed to entice, instruct, and entertain kids, this book's dozen fun woodworking projects help children learn basic woodworking and hand tool skills while developing self-confidence and strengthening problem-solving abilities. With step-by-step instructions, the guide teaches kids how to read drawings; measure and transfer dimensions; saw square edges and ends in lumber; drill holes; saw curved shapes; join wood with a hammer, nails, and glue; use a sanding block to smooth; and finish off each project with paint and varnish. Ultimately emphasizing the fun of woodworking, this resource also features safety equipment, the skills needed to complete each projects, and required materials consisting of easily found supplies.

Book Information

Series: Kidcrafts Paperback: 99 pages Publisher: Fox Chapel Publishing (July 1, 2008) Language: English ISBN-10: 1565233530 ISBN-13: 978-1565233539 Product Dimensions: 8 x 0.3 x 8 inches Shipping Weight: 10.6 ounces Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars 5 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #2,151,699 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #23 inÅ Å Books > Children's Books > Activities, Crafts & Games > Crafts & Hobbies > Woodworking #12492 inÅ Å Books > Children's Books > Arts, Music & Photography Age Range: 9 - 12 years Grade Level: 4 - 7

Customer Reviews

"Long ago, my parents enrolled me in a kids' woodworking class, and it was transformative for this bookish little girl. Not everyone has access to such a class anymore (or a parent who knows their way around a shop), but this book just might fill the gap." --"Make "magazineà ...an easy to understand guide written for boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 12. It includes step-by-step instructions and plenty of color photography... - Woodshop Newsà This is the first good book I've seen for young woodworkers. - Scott Phillips, Host of PBS American Woodshopà Â This book is great at teaching kids how to read drawings, measure and transfer dimensions, and construct a

variety of designs using basic hardware tools. Great step-by-steps for beginners, too! Make a toolbox, birdhouse, or even a racecar! - Pack-O-FunĂ Â Whether youĂ¢â ¬â,¢d like to help a youngster get started with woodworking or learn the basics yourself, Kid Crafts: Woodworking, by John Kelsey, is a good investment. The book is divided into four chapters: Ă¢â ¬Å"All About Wood,Ă¢â ¬Å• Ă¢â ¬Å"Woodworking Supplies,Ă¢â ¬Å• Ă¢â ¬Å"ToolsĂ¢â ¬Å• Ad a dă¢â ¬Å"All About Wood,Ă¢â ¬Å• ¢â ¬Å Ac and ¢â ¬Å• ¢â ¬Å• Clear plans, numerous photos and step-by-step instructions make the book easy to understand. The projects can be built with simple hand tools and range from fun (toys and a birdhouse) to practical (a toolbox, bookshelf and picture frame). This is a great introduction to woodworking, even for adults. - Mother Earth Newsà Kid Crafts Woodworking starts at the very beginning, with short sections on, among other things, the properties of wood, gluing and metal fasteners. Nothing long or boring, just the basics, for a kid-length attention span. - Canadian Woodworking & Home Improvementà Woodworking is designed to appeal to children between 9 and 12, but dads looking for a fun review of their junior high shop class will enjoy it too.à - Old Schoolhouse Magazine

Woodworking is a useful and enjoyable skill that anyone can learn. If you've ever wished you knew how to make things out of wood, this book is the perfect place to start. You'll be amazed at how simple it is to build fun and practical wooden items as you work through the easy lessons inside. Each of the woodworking projects in this book can be completed in just a few hours. Designed to teach basic woodworking skills, they require only ordinary lumber and simple hand and power tools that you may already own. Each new project builds on what you learned before, allowing you to become more self-confident as your skills increase. Inside you'll learn how to: " Read drawings, measure, and transfer dimensions " Choose suitable wood for your project " Saw square edges and ends in wood " Drill round holes and saw other curved shapes " Join wood using nails and glue " Sand wood to create smooth surfaces, edges, and corners " Finish off your project with paint or varnish

There are many projects in this book that are within the skills of my 10 year old (with a bit of guidance), and many more that will challenge him to improve his skills in measuring, marking out, following plans and instructions, and developing creative solutions when either the tools or the suggested materials do not coincide with what we have on hand. The projects require a basic tool kit and the book provides nice pointers on how to use them. A well done book.

I bought this book for my brain injured patients, good directions, good pictures, and showing what hand tools to use instead of the power tools, which some of patients are not yet ready for. Plus doing it by hand is a great way to exercise the body and the mind and create something as well.

Very informative. Explains a lot of the basics and then has several "do-able" projects for young kids and some more in-depth ones for later. 11 year old loves it!

Love the book as it has many ideas for projects and crafts for children, at all age and skill levels.

Great book for beginners. Two grandsons easily made the tool boxes and are delighted with the results.

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