Chris' Picks from the Woodworker's Book Shop

I own more woodworking books than anyone really needs, but I love to read, and I spent many years editing the newsletter for our Woodworkers' Book Club. So I've read almost everything worth reading that has been published in the last decade.

Below are my six favorite titles that are in the bookstore now. These are products I turn to all the time for inspiration and information.

— Christopher Schwarz



Cabinetmaker's

Notebook

James Krenov

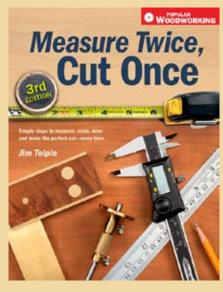


Tage Frid Teaches Woodworking Set with DVD

by: Tage Frid

Was: \$89.95, Now: \$56.67

This set of books is considered the gold standard of woodworking writing, and I have to agree. Tage Frid was a traditionally trained cabinetmaker with enormous skills at the bench and in the classroom. In this three-volume set, Frid lays out how to do all the major woodworking operations with both hand and power tools.

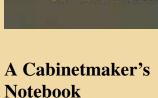


Measure Twice, Cut Once A Cabinetmaker's

by: Jim Tolpin

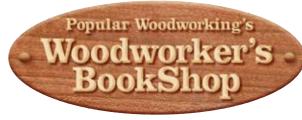
Was: \$24.99, Now: \$16.49

Jim Tolpin is one of my favorite woodworking writers, and this book is essential reading for anyone who wants to start exploring furniture design and construction. Tolpin will open your eyes about how to proportion your pieces, plus he'll show you how to translate those ideas onto the wood with great precision.



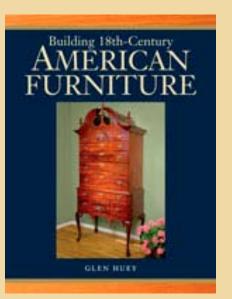
by: James Krenov Was: \$21.95, Now: \$14.93

James Krenov was one of the most influential woodworking writers and craftsmen of the 20th century. This book will open your head like a can opener and change the way you look at your materials, your tools and your methods of work. And it's a delight to read — even non-woodworkers love this book.



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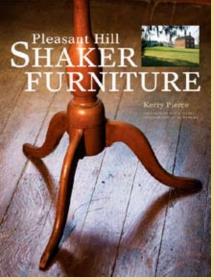
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Building 18th-Century American Furniture

by: Glen D. Huey Now: \$26.99

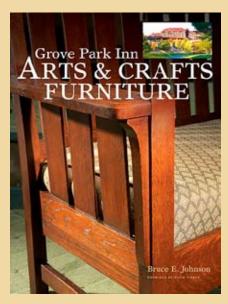
Glen D. Huey works here at Popular Woodworking and sits just two cubes down. I find his work to be absolutely inspiring. His eye for good design, wood selection and finishes is topnotch. This book is a compilation of many of his best pieces. And it is a visual dictionary to how high-quality casework should be constructed.



Pleasant Hill Shaker Furniture

by: Kerry Pierce Was: \$30.00, Now: \$8.99

I cannot believe this book is \$9. Buy it. If you like Shaker furniture, history and woodworking, you are going to love this book. It's beautifully photographed, illustrated and written. It has plans for some very nice pieces of furniture and includes a fascinating history of this little-known Western Shaker community.



Grove Park Inn Arts & Crafts Furniture

by: Bruce Johnson Now: \$35.00

The Grove Park Inn is one of my favorite places in the world. If you like American Arts & Crafts furniture, you'll really enjoy this book. Bruce Johnson, a woodworker and authority on Arts & Crafts, takes you through the history and furniture of this historic hotel. There are construction drawings of some very important pieces, and loads of photos for inspiration.