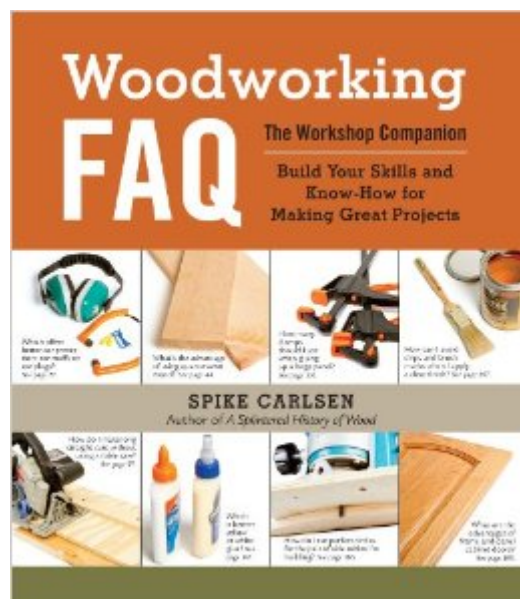


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# Woodworking FAQ: The Workshop Companion: Build Your Skills And Know-How For Making Great Projects



## Synopsis

Whether you're a beginner building your first shelf or an experienced craftsman designing a new gazebo, Spike Carlson has the answers to all of your woodworking questions. You'll find expert advice on setting up your work area, choosing appropriate tools, working with different types of wood, and building furniture, as well as tips on joinery techniques, custom finishes, and much more. Presenting comprehensive information in a friendly question-and-answer format, Woodworking FAQ is like a master carpenter standing at your elbow ready to help whenever the need arises.

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The first woodworking book I owned was John Feirer's "Cabinetmaking and Millwork," which I purchased in 1970 or so. I had no idea how to do woodworking other than a basic shop class in high school in the early 1960's. But the book taught me a great deal, and I built many projects based on this volume. The book was designed for professional woodworkers or students going to that profession. At the time, I was neither. Spike Carlsen's latest book on woodworking is for the rest of us (his first two are as well). These are the folks who spend their weekends, spare time or retirement doing a craft that is both rewarding and can be complex at the same time. Mr. Carlsen has nailed this down well, even for the professionals out there. First comes the content that covers setting up a shop, choosing wood, hand tools, portable power tools, stationary tools, glue and fasteners and joints. Then he goes on to teach us about furniture making, casework, windows and

doors, plus other projects. There are extensive well-done illustrations throughout. The content is arranged like a Frequently Asked Question series of topics with good basic questions complete with thorough answers to each. Some are more basic than a really experienced woodworker would want, but there is a terrific index of all topics plus an exceptionally well-done resources section by books and magazines as well as for each chapter. So you can find almost anything you may need. The second best thing (actually tied for first) is the layout and design. It was designed for a shop. It is small enough to lie on top of your table saw or bench and sit wide open with a spiral binding.

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