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Great Book Of Wooden Toys: More Than 50 Easy-To-Build Projects (American Woodworker)





Synopsis

Detailed and copiously illustrated, this in-depth handbook offers instruction for constructing more than 50 wooden toys designed to appeal to a child's sense of imagination and playfulness. A brief introduction covers the basic techniques--gluing, sanding, and making wheels--and each project presents a meticulous diagram, a handy materials list, step-by-step instructions, and a photograph of the completed toy. Designs include stylized versions of a Model T car, a crane, and the ""Spirit of St. Louis" airplane, as well as projects specifically for beginning woodworkers, such as pull-along trains and circus animals. Instructions for finishing and detailing ensure that the completed crafts will last for years.

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Customer Reviews

"If you're in the market to make toys for your kids or grandkids (or anyone else) this looks like a book for you." --Fine Woodworking

Great Book of Wooden Toys Build Hours of Fun for Generations to Come with these Classic Wooden Toys In today's era of mass production and plastic, there may well be no other woodworking project as rewarding to build as a wooden toy. A wooden toy gets back to the basics of handmade craftsmanship, natural and safe materials, and, best of all, good old-fashioned fun. Wooden toys are fun to build, fun to give, and fun to play with-especially the more than 50 ingenious

designs in Great Book of Wooden Toys. From a powerful bulldozer to a pioneer-inspired paddleboat, Great Book of Wooden Toys includes 37 three-dimensional toys any child will love, along with 16 -pull-along- classics that are perfect for toddlers. Each project includes complete step-by-step instructions, exploded diagrams, and color photographs of each finished toy from every angle showing exactly how they fit together. Great Book of Wooden Toys includes the latest information regarding child-safe finishes and materials.

We bought for our son for Christmas and he did make an airplane for his son, it came out really nice! Shipping was fast!

While I like the projects in this book, the plans leave a LOT to be desired. I muddled through the biplane only because I have some decent math skills and a woodworking background. The written plans themselves left out some important detail and the measurements were, for some pieces, non existent. Keep in mind, I have only built the biplane so I am only speaking about that plan. Like I said, if you have the math skills to determine your own scale and an eye to GUESS at some of the measurements, then it is a fun project. I rarely use plans for things I build, so this wasn't new to me, but when I buy a book with plans, I expect them to be fairly accurate and complete. This was not.

great book. I'm making toys and having a blast

Nice Book great instructions

I purchased the Kindle version. Mistake!!! I was taken with the toys and want to make some of them but.....not thinking I purchased the Kindle version which does not allow printing. Thus the plans are there but you can't create copies to take to the shop with you. Cumbersome at best. Some parts can be downloaded in pdf format but nowhere near enough. Buy the hard copy if you want this book.

i just started using this book, building the crane. It is a nice looking toy but the plans are crap. Dimensions are inconsistent between the text and the drawings, the center lines of some holes have only one edge dimension so you have to try to deduce where the hole needs to be placed, he specifies a 1/4" eye bolt which is way too big for what is intended and would not fit inside the cab- a #8 is what it should be. Though the chassis dimensions are given you are not shown which is top or

side (the sketch is not to scale) is so I of course drilled the axle holes going the wrong way so had to redo it. One reviewer recommended that the editors need to have some workers attempt to make the toys following the directions exactly as written - and excellent idea that would have discovered these errors prior to going to print.

This book has alot of things to make. It explains how to so easily my 83 year old dad is enjoying it so much.

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