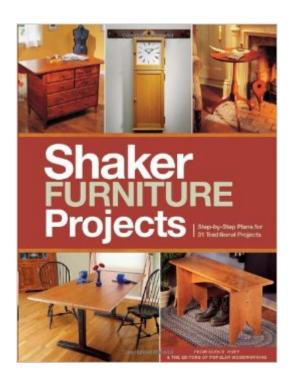
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Popular Woodworking's Shaker Furniture Projects: Step-by-Step Plans For 31 Traditional Projects





Synopsis

The beauty of well-made Shaker furniture!From the crisp, clear lines of the designs to the beautiful tones of the wood, there's something classic and timeless about Shaker furniture. In this book we've gathered 31 handsome projects representing a wide range of iconic Shaker designs and furniture types. There's something here to fit just about any home. And best of all, the straightforward joinery makes the projects simpler to build. Shaker Furniture Projects is an invaluable resource that you're sure to use again and again.

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I feel I should start by saying that the shelves at my local library that are dedicated to woodworking and furniture making books already have a few books on Shaker furniture. This is because the Shaker style has had such a monumental and lasting affect on American woodworking and furniture making. Centuries have passed, and we still can be captivated by the simplicity of Shaker designs. So I approached this new project book with some trepidation. Would it offer anything new about Shaker furniture making? My answer is yes. It's a book that takes the approach that is currently being called blended woodworking: a combination of traditional methods (largely involving joinery) and power-tool based work. The result ends up being tutorials for 31 very nice projects. One of the coolest things about the book is that the author replicates a number of original Shaker pieces of furniture. So you have images of the originals alongside the updates versions. It's really cool. The

book moves through projects you might expect, but many of the projects caught my eye: there are tables, chairs, shelves, cabinets, and then special objects such as clocks and stools. There are two large clock designs in this book, and having looked through a number of images of antique Shaker clocks, I find these designs true to the originals. A final thought: as a project book, I think anyone interested in furniture making will get ideas from this book. If you're planning on following the projects and building some of these pieces, I think you'll need to be an intermediate-to-advanced woodworker, in my opinion. Well, now that I think of it, I think beginners could do a few of these projects without too much trouble.

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