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Rustic Furniture Basics





Synopsis

Here's an opportunity to create something truly unique by using woodworking techniques that are as "green" as it gets. By collecting branches and logs, recycled lumber, or scavenged wood from old buildings, you can build rustic furniture with a distinctive look -- and a primitive, earthy charm. But before you get started, you'll need the guidance of a seasoned furniture maker. And it's all here for you in Rustic Furniture Basics -- from professional woodworker, teacher and author Doug Stowe. An ideal guide for beginners, this valuable reference includes 10 diverse projects designed to teach you all the basic techniques you'll need to make a wide range of rustic furniture. Here are a few of the projects you'll find. Rustic white oak chest Western cedar tables Rustic chair Slab-top coffee table By following step-by-step instructions with detailed graphics, you'll learn every procedure -traditional joinery, cutting round mortises and tenons, weaving twigs, making a webbed seat, and much more. In searching for the natural materials to complete each project, you'll discover a process that challenges your imagination in a new and satisfying way -- as you tap into your own powers of ingenuity. And by using basic hand tools and low-tech procedures, you'll revisit some of the simple pleasures that earlier generations of craftsmen enjoyed. If you've got a cabin in the woods or a country hideaway in need of just the right pieces to suit its rustic character, here's the book you need to make it happen.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Get the DVD as opposed to the book.I am a real beginner. After watching this DVD, I think I could

actually produce an interesting item of furniture. Doug gives you several projects, both tables and seating, in rustic and twig styles. His manner is informal and friendly. It's as if you dropped by his place on a Sat. and hung around with him while he showed you how to make stuff. He explains things in a clear, easy to understand way and gives you tips about woodworking that will be handy as your skill level improves. Most of the projects don't require more tools than the average garage would have on hand.

I'm a fairly experienced wood worker and wanted to get into some "Rustic Furniture" building, I've seen many pieces locally and thought I'd give it a try. What I was expecting was furniture built with tenon joints that would look nice in any home. What the book is, are a bunch of plans to build very very very rustic looking furniture. What I mean by rustic is raw unpeeled log/sticks unlike anything I've ever seen. This is not the rustic type furniture you would see in a lodge or expect to see in a log cabin, if that's what you're expecting, which I was this book is not for you.

living in the woods, I have often thought of making my own furniture. Unlike other books, this one explains how to do so easily without a ton of tools. Can't wait for the snow to go away so I can start making some!

This is a very clearly presented book, I recommend for anyone who wants to make rustic furniture. There isn't much rustic furniture available, so if you want it for your cabin in the woods, you have to make it. Doug tells you how.

Gave me alot of ideas and plans for me, someone with a basic skill level to be successful on my first try at a rustic table. Color photos, and easy to follow plans.

This book shows some basic ideas. That are not that difficult to perform as a beginner. It also helped me come up with other ideas for rustic furniture. The book shows step by step processes on how to build about ten furniture pieces.

Did not contain the information I believed it would. Better description of the contents would improve it. Do not believe it should be grouped with the tenon cutter. Very little information in the book pertained to log furniture. This provides thorough directions for making rustic furniture. For anyone interested in making furniture, this is a must-have book! The price is right and you'll clearly learn the basics.

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