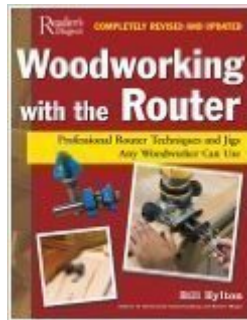


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# Woodworking With The Router: Revised & Updated Professional Router Techniques And Jigs Any Woodworker Can Use



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## Customer Reviews

This is an excellent resource. I've owned a good plunge router for about three years, but used it only occasionally. After reading this book my router has nearly as much use as my table saw, which is quite a lot. The author has a very readable style, humorous, and straightforward. The book covers everything about routers. I especially liked his advice on choosing your first bits. There are lots of detailed plans for building all sorts of jigs that are very practical. The many color photos are very helpful. The first thing I noticed while initially flipping through the book, was the variety of routers and accessories pictured. This was not the typical woodworker writing about how he did things with his router in his shop. All the manufacturers had tools represented. There were no favorites. He is not a fan of buying anything for the router except bits. He suggests building all of your jigs and fixtures, and has the plans to do it. I also purchased Router Magic at the same time. It has a small amount of overlap, but is just about jigs. It is also a winner. If you own a router, you should own this book.

In the revised version of the most definitive router technique and information book, Bill Hylton has out done himself. Written in a conversational and friendly tone, he gives you all the lessons you need to get the most enjoyment and precision out of the most versatile tool in your workshop. There are

more pictures, and they are in color. The new version is available in hardback (something that you will no doubt appreciate if you keep this by your side in your shop --as you should). At over 300 pages, by far, Hylton's book is the most comprehensive book on the subject. I find the local woodworking stores frequently referencing and recommending it to their customers. It's a great bargain, especially if you are considering taking expensive router 101 courses. This has it all. I'm surprised that this didn't cost a whole lot more because I found myself reading it and trying out the techniques for weeks after I got it. Remember those old Kung Fu movies where the main character walks around and encounters all these wise old masters? He fight them, and then gets them to teach him their technique. Well here, you get the benefit of all his wisdom, and you don't even have to get hurt along the way!

I would recommend this book to any woodworker. It has excellent types for a variety of levels of skill. Wouldn't purchase the older book Router Magic by Bill Hylton and this book (as I did) there is too much overlap and outdated information in the older book. I have found several of the jigs and input regarding router tables good- I chose a plan for a router table from Shop Notes rather than this book. The jigs and tips are excellent.

I hardly need to add my voice to all of the others here, but I wanted to say how impressed I am with this book. I've had a router for quite a few years, but it doesn't get a lot of use. I've always suspected that there were tricks and techniques that would make it a more attractive tool for me, but I wasn't really pushed to become more familiar with it until now, when I find myself needing to construct some custom furniture. The first thing you notice about the book (besides the low price) are the quality and quantity of photos and drawings. They're awesome! Often I find in such books that drawings are obscure, that they don't match the text, or that they leave out critical detail. This book has none of these flaws. I can look at drawings and tell immediately what the author is getting at. They beautifully complement the text. It's clear that an enormous amount of expertise and effort went into the illustrations. Which bring me to the text. I don't expect someone with skill in woodworking to be a good writer as well, but the book is extremely well-written. I bought the book with some particular questions in mind, and they were quickly and completely answered. Especially appealing is that the author isn't dogmatic. He presents a variety of alternatives, with reasons for choosing one or the other. Unlike other how-to books, there's not a hint of condescension. Nor is it tailored to a narrow range of experience, as are so many other books. There's basic information for the novice, and information for the experts, and the line between is almost seamless, with

techniques presented in a progression from simple to complex. Reading the book is like taking direction from a coach. It's just a very pleasurable, ability-tailored exposition of how to accomplish an extremely large variety of woodworking tasks, with plenty of advice and thought-provoking comments. In short, this is certainly among the very best woodworking books I've ever seen, and at a price much lower than is warranted by its quality. It's a book you can grow with, and of a quality such that it will last. An awesome book for a woodworker of any level of experience.

I am new to routing, having never before even held one and I needed some direction on how to select and use one. Advice on buying a router is short in this book, but sufficient - as the title suggests there is more on working with it! My first afternoon playing with my new toy I had built one of the jigs in this book and am now happily routing some simple joints. I have plenty more to do and this book will definitely help me with ways of completing jobs I would never have thought of. A great buy and quite possibly the only book on routing I'll ever need.

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