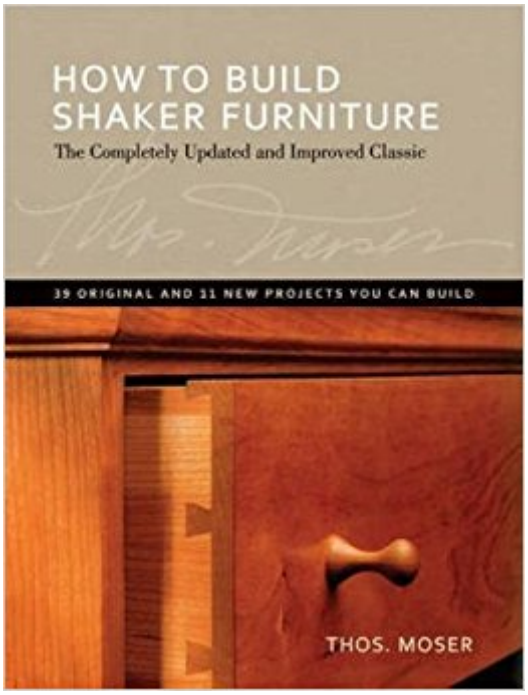
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How To Build Shaker Furniture: The Complete Updated & Improved Classic



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Synopsis

The Shakers produced many incredible furniture objects that we continue to venerate today. For the woodworker the fascination is often rooted in the essential simplicity of the work. Interest in Shaker design is as strong today as it was when the first edition of this book was published in 1977, possibly stronger. This ongoing interest is the direct result of the inherent beauty of Shaker design—beauty that stems not only from form, but from superb workmanship, a commitment to utility and a total understanding of material.

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Traditional American furniture styles have enjoyed an enduring popularity, which makes titles about them ideal choices for most collections. Lang offers measured drawings of 27 examples of Craftsman furniture designed by Gustav Stickley. Because they were created by measuring actual Craftsman antiques, these drawings will prove invaluable to those interested in historical accuracy. Designs for chairs, bookcases, tables, and beds are included, each with a bill of materials and a number of illustrations. A section on woodworking techniques and materials rounds out this title. Moser’s work covers over 50 projects, based on the Shaker style, that unlike Lang’s are not absolute reproductions but either near facsimiles or Moser’s own adaptations. Designs include furnishings of all types, from small household items to major pieces of furniture. In the first half of the text, Moser provides an excellent introduction to the Shaker style and the techniques required to reproduce it. The balance consists of measured drawings of each item. Both titles are excellent;

Lang receives the nod if one is interested in historical accuracy, while Moser offers a wider range of projects for woodworkers of all skill levels. Copyright 2002 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Tom Moser grew up in Chicago, learning to work with his hands from his father. While in high school, Tom met Mary Wilson, whom he married in 1957. During the early years of their marriage, Tom and Mary supplemented their income by purchasing old furniture, refinishing it in their home workshop, and reselling it. He returned to school earning a bachelorÃ¢â ¬â„¢s of science degree in Speech Education. After graduation, he began teaching English in High School, and eventually earned both his masterÃ¢â ¬â„¢s degree and doctorate in Speech Communications, moving on to teach at state colleges in Michigan and New York.In 1972, Tom left his tenured professorship to turn his woodworking hobby into a career. In April 1973, Tom and Mary launched Thos. Moser Cabinetmakers. What began as an intense exploration of craftsmanship has evolved into a business that employs more than 125 people, and has residential, professional and academic customers worldwide. Tom remains active in the business, along with three of his four sons.

Very helpful.

Excellent measured drawings and clearly written text. A real tribute to a real Maine man.

excellent resource. great photos. made lap desk from plan in book. a must for every woodworker inspired by shaker furniture.

Easy woodworking plans for every skill level.

A good book, lots of useful information on how to build shaker furniture, A few items are a bit dated but a good book overall.

My father has the older "revised edition" with Moser’s hand-drawn plans. I was really disappointed that this version has replaced Moser’s artwork with CAD-drafted plans. The book is probably fine but I decided to pick up a used copy of the older edition instead.

My guy absolutedly loved this book. Bought it for a Christmas gift. He spent days and days just

looking at the pictures and reading. Can’t wait to start building some furniture.

This title was everything I expected and more; the binding was tight, cover is excellent and overall condition excellent. I would recommend highly to all buyers

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