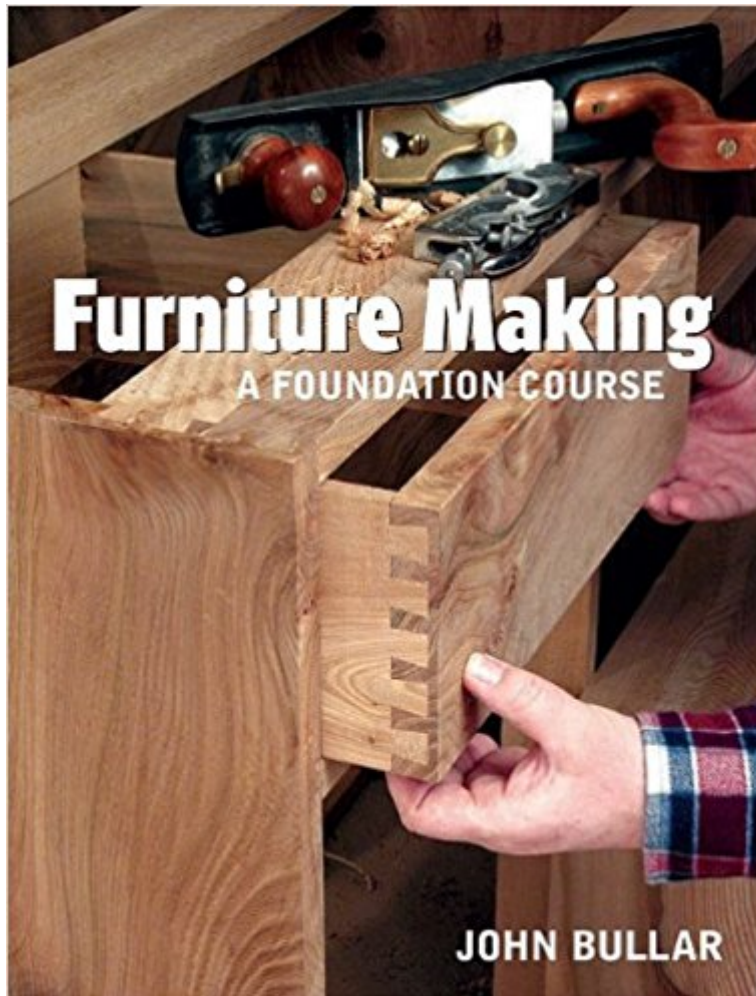




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# Furniture Making: A Foundation Course



## Synopsis

Wouldn't it be nice if you could take a college course in furniture making, without having to pay university prices? Now you can - similar to a college course, this jargon-free guide presents everything you would learn from those furniture design schools to build fine, beautiful furniture.

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## Customer Reviews

**Furniture Making A Foundation Course** Much like a traditional apprenticeship, this comprehensive and jargon-free guide presents all you need to learn the craft of furniture making. With professional woodworker John Bullar as your instructor, you'll master every step, including properly choosing and storing wood, using and maintaining hand tools, and creating precision joints. You'll also receive an introduction to lamination and veering and a look at basic machinery. Ten attractive practice projects - starting with a simple oak stool and progressing to a more challenging veneered table - will bring together all of the techniques you've learned. So, whether you're a beginner, a student, or simply looking to brush up on your woodworking skills, this foundation course will develop your talents and is an asset in any workshop. Furniture Making includes these other great projects: \* Cabinet \* Bookcase \* Bedside Tables \* Bed \* Wardrobe \* Coopered Box \* Curved "Demilune" Table \* Set of Dining Chairs John Bullar designs and makes custom furniture. A contributor to many woodworking magazines, John's clear and concise approach makes his work extremely popular with wood workers learning the craft of furniture making.

John Bullar is a designer and builder of traditional and contemporary bespoke furniture and a contributor to Furniture & Cabinetmaking magazine.

This book is a fairly broad and helpful guide to the basic tools and techniques of woodworking. It is well laid out and, in addition to the very descriptive text, there are multiple helpful pictures in each section. I would prefer more drawn diagrams to supplement, but otherwise it is a very helpful guide, and I would recommend it to anyone thinking about taking up woodworking, or who, like me, already tried to take it up and realized a little more help would be, well, helpful.

The book is well-written and illustrated, but about a third of the introductory material (i.e. other than the actual projects) is related to power tools, and only the first two (of ten) projects are designed to be done using only hand tools. At a minimum, if you don't own or plan to purchase a band saw, this will not be a very useful book for you. From the sample pictures on , which feature hand planes and one of the hand tool projects, I assumed that the book would be more balanced.

I received this book today and promptly sat down and read it from cover to cover. The book does a good job of talking about woods and different cuts, but I still found it heavy on jargon and it often used terms it did not define. I would often look back and think " Did I mss something?" This book does do a good job of explaining different types of joinery, but it is not for everyone. I was a bit disappointed.

I found this book to be extremely useful. It answered many of the questions I had about woodworking that I have been unable to find else where. The book flows from an introduction to wood types and species to advanced joinery techniques. If you are able looking for a guide to begin your woodworking journey, this is a great place to start.

Passing down the trade secrets that are being lost. I have been inspired to do more by hand. You should try it, the added satisfaction is worth the time.

Very resourceful.

I love, love, love this book. Very detailed and insightful. This book is a fine addition to any

woodworkers book collection.

Reference book from a master

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