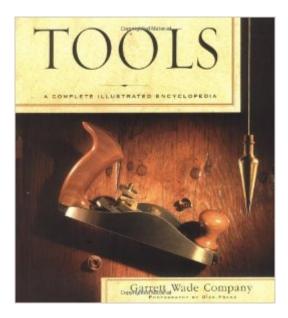
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Tools: A Complete Illustrated Encyclopedia





Synopsis

"Man is a tool-using animal...without tools he is nothing, with tools he is all." -- Thomas Carlyle (1795-1881) A spectacular visual dictionary of more than 450 beautifully photographed tools, this gorgeous volume presents a dazzling range, from the trusty and familiar hammer and screwdriver to the very handsome ebony or rosewood marking gauge that one simply must have to make the most precise marks of where to cut...and let's not forget the crosscut saws, ripsaws, tenon saws, dovetail saws, slotting saws, veneer saws, frame saws, bucksaws, bow saws, coping saws, and jeweler's saws needed to do the actual cutting. Organized by the three main tasks of tools -- measuring and marking, cutting, and assembly and finishing -- "Tools" gives us the fascinating history of each tool, a basic review of what it does, and a complete breakdown of the various types and models. Plus, craftsman's tips from the experts at the Garrett Wade Company reveal tricks of the trade used by master craftsmen and point out what to look for when buying new or antique tools. All are splendidly illustrated with specially commissioned photography. A section on the the workshop helps readers organize their own ideal workspace, and a micropedia tells readers what tools are the most indispensable for tasks such as woodworking or home repair...and shows readers those least indispensable but most coveted gadgets that would make any tool lover the "talk of the shop." An enthralling and extravagant reference with photographs, descriptions, and tips on how to use more than 450 tools, here is a treasure trove of information on antique and modern tools, from lovingly handcrafted tools like the traditional Japanese red oak hand plane to the best high-tech power tools like the multipurpose power drill. The perfect gift for tool lovers everywhere, Tools is the one tool every tool lover must have. "Good tools are simply inspirational." -- Garretson W. Chinn The Garrett Wade Company has been America's premier retailer of specialist woodworking tools since its establishment in 1975. President and founder Garretson W. Chinn was a naval officer and investment banker before turning to his true love, woodworking, full-time. The Garrett Wade Company is headquartered in New York City. For more than twenty-five years, the Garrett Wade Company has offered the highest quality tools available as well as expert advice on how to use them. Now, "Tools" offers a treasure trove of lush color photography from Garrett Wade's archives and a fascinating history of tools, from the traditional Japanese red oak hand plane to the handsome maple hand screw. A spectacular visual dictionary of more than 450 beautifully photographed hammers, handsaws, planes, drills, and other tools, Tools is the perfect gift for anyone who loves tools.

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Customer Reviews

The Garrett Company is known for their quality tools in the woodworking industry: this impressive compendium showcases antique and modern tools, packing in over 450 photos of tools, discussing their use, and providing both a visual display of tools and a history of changing production and needs. Add expert user's tips and you have a worthy gift edition.

I LOVE TOOLS! TO HAVE A BOOK THAT IS SOME WHAT OF AN ENCYCLOPEDIA FOR TOOLS IS GREAT. I LIKE TO JUST LOOK THROUGH IT EVEN IF I AM NOT LOOKING FOR SOMETHING IN PARTICULAR. IT HAS BRIEF DESCRIPTIONS THAT ARE THOROUGH ENOUGH TO EXPLAIN EACH CATEGORY OR TOOL.

This is a coffee table book more than one you'll take to your shop. It has some interesting and useful info about using the tools, but the enjoyment comes from seeing tools you have never seen before. I bet you'll also learn something about a tool you have that you didn't know before.Get the book and a cup of coffee. Go sit in your easy chair and enjoy.

This is a wonderful look at woodworking tools used today and in the past. The development of the tools from different parts of the world is most informative. I am stumbling into some of the tools in my own shop and it is good to know what they are and how they are used. The picture illustrations are

plentiful and well-done. If you don't own any of the tools when you get the book, you sure will want to by the time you put the book down.

This book a excellent for an aspiring furniture builder, carpenter and all around shop enthusiast. I have seen many books like this one.Great price!

I think this is an interesting book. You get some history, info aboit the tools and some of their recommended uses.

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