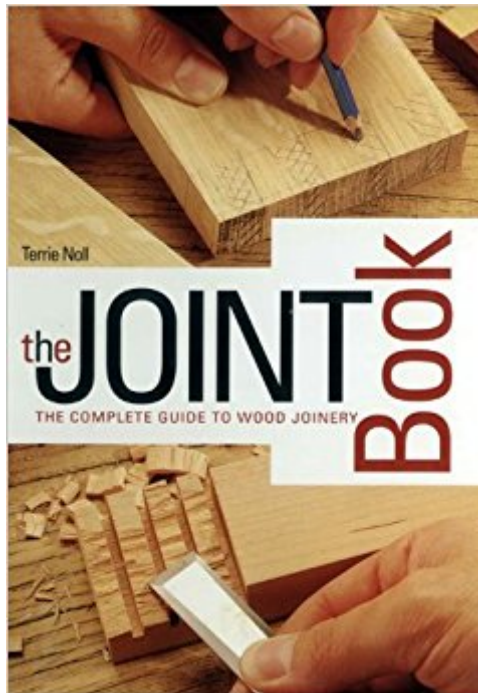




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# The Joint Book: The Complete Guide To Wood Joinery



## Synopsis

This hardcover book with internal spiral binding is 6.5in x 8in, a perfect size for carpenters and woodworkers to keep near their workbench or toolbox for quick access. The design of this book allows it to lay open flat, which allows for easy and frequent reference, and the interior photographs, illustrations and diagrams, make the learning process simple and fun for beginners, and provides useful tips for more advanced readers. The Joint Book contains easy-to-follow step-by-step instructions for creating edge and scarf joints, lapped and housed joints, mortise and tenon joints, miters and bevels, dovetails, dowels and biscuits, and provides detailed descriptions of fasteners, hardware, and knockdown joints. This book is the perfect companion for any woodworker interested in improving their joint-making skills.

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An all in one book on various woodworking joints. Various box joints, dowel, (biscuits, fasteners) spline, miters, tenons, dovetails, etc. Some unusual hidden joints. Easy to decypher drawings. Instructions for hand joinery and also side-by-side machine techniques to get the same joint. Mathematic tips and formulas to get the angles right. Shop made jigs for perfect cuts. This is a go-to book for any type of joint you can think of. It is a compact size, lays flat, because of the spiral binding, and all the pages and cover are glossy and thick for many years of use. A good purchase for anyone interested in woodworking, or furniture repair. The Best Choice!

This book is a must have, not a novel to read but a good reference point. The good things about this book is that it covers all the basics but in a way that makes it worth saying. Not just another "insert conventional wisdom here" carbon copy quote. It briefly covers tools, layout and marking and wood movement. Then it talks about the joints themselves, the stresses on the joints and how to make them. Unlike some books, it gives you more than one way to make a joint. There are guidelines for hand work, power tools and machinery. But you never find yourself having to buy a new tool just to make a joint that's been around a few hundred years. Lastly the book has a section for choosing joints. The down side is some instructions are not as clear as they should be. Not a problem if you know what you're doing but could be confusing to a newbie. And the terminology used, while proper isn't always what I'm used too. Overall, I would recommend this book.

Anyone who hasn't done so many joints they can do them with their eyes closed can probably make use of this book - especially the less expensive spiral bound version that lays conveniently flat on the workbench. For almost every joint tricks and techniques are given for both power and hand tool approaches, as well as a number of handy jigs. Even if you have done some of the joints before you may find a new, easier method here. (Admittedly, even with this book I probably will never attempt a full-blind dovetail, but half-blind dovetails by hand seem feasible to me now.) The illustrations are generally clear, although in a few cases I had to stare at them a while to "see" the relationships of the components. (Only found two minor flaws: In one illustration the miter fence is the same color as the workpiece making it look like another piece of wood at first, and the descriptions for two types of dowel jigs swapped the relative positions of the images for the jigs.)

I am not a seasoned wood worker but I have built some furniture and made a bunch of bandsaw boxes. Having this little book is a nice reference to different joints and how they are made and work. I like it and as a quick reference works very well. Definitely covers a lot, while there isn't a whole lot of detail it is enough to get a general idea and if you work with wood and have some experience you can figure it out with what is provided.

A great book for new and old woodworkers. Very good pictures, explanation of each joint, and the proper name for each joint.. I keep it in the shop bookcase, and refer to it frequently when the need to do a joint that is not commonly used, although the book covers just about every joint very well. It's kind of an encyclopedia of wood joints..

This has to be one of the most comprehensive books on wood joinery. As a novice woodworker, the information found in this book is invaluable. Even for the more experienced, I feel that there's plenty to learn here as well. As much info as you can find online about joinery, it's really nice to have a book that covers it all.

Definitely a handy book (a must have!) to have in the workshop. It is very well designed, easy to travel with or have nearby on your benchtop, and is cleverly laid out. Not only does it take you through all the joints you may ever need, the opening chapter on how wood grain works and effective gluing is well set out and made easy to understand. Highly recommend this book for the hobby-woodworker like me, but I'm sure this book would be handy for all skill levels from novice to master.

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