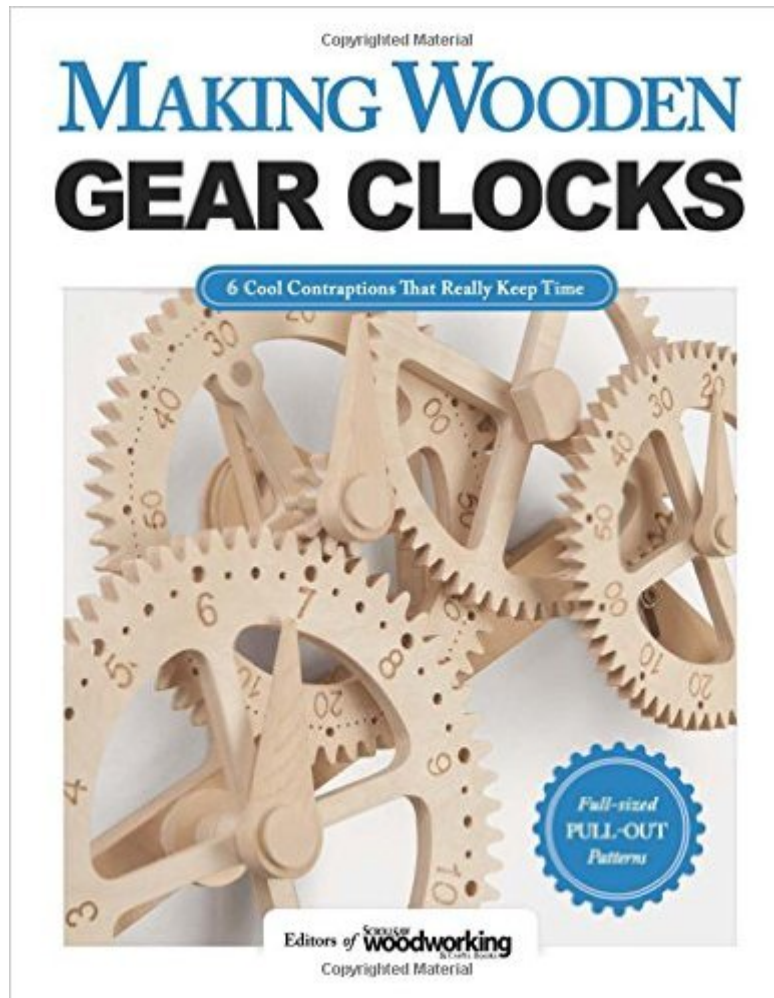


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Making Wooden Gear Clocks



Synopsis

Making a piece of wood move is fun, but making it tell time is truly amazing! Inside this book you'll find ingenious plans for creating awesome wooden machines that actually move and keep time. These working wooden wonders might just be the most enjoyable projects you ever build in your shop. Wooden gear clocks are not only fascinating to watch, but can be surprisingly accurate timepieces. Just don't expect atomic precision after all, they're modeled on 17th-century technology! But as you build these clocks you'll use all of the basic principles that still govern mechanical clocks today. Seven well-illustrated step-by-step projects are arranged by skill level from beginner to advanced, and full-sized patterns are attached to the book in a handy pouch. With a little perseverance you'll soon be ticking along happily with your own wooden clockworks. All you have to do is build them, wind them up, and let them run. No batteries required.

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Nice collection of six clock projects at different levels of difficulty, and one gear mechanism that sits and spins doing nothing in particular. The language is clear, the assembly process is very well laid out in exploded drawings and full-sized patterns for each clock are in a separate paper pouch. (If you are buying this book used, be aware that these may be missing and their lack will be a complication--regrettable pun intended--for your clockmaking experience.) Unlike one other poorly titled book, this volume is entirely about making the clock mechanism from wood; do not buy it looking for clock cases and then post unhappy reviews when you find no one is telling you how to make a glorified box. Not present here is technical or design process information, and some of the

language the authors use is different from usual practice. However, it is a nice change of pace finding a competent book oriented at those more interested in making a working mechanism than anything else, which is precisely what this book enables.

Yes, this is what I was looking for and a good book. It has the plans including the full size patterns it promised. Pictures inside are in color and instructions are actually fairly decent. Most of the projects in this book can be built with a scroll saw and a drill press (plus lots of filing and sanding) yet....

There are a couple instances like the gear machine where other tools like a mill and lathe are used which isn't cool, because those are expensive and this book is advertised as a scroll saw book.

however, with a little diligence a person could construct all the projects with a scroll saw and hand tools. I've only built one wood gear clock so far (from another set of plans) and will give fair warning as best I can:) to cut an accurate wooden gear takes patience, but can it be done on a scroll saw.

I'm giving this book 5 stars because: it has a couple plans in it that I really like and are well designed, It has few to no literary rivals as nobody else who offers wood gear clock plans has published a book for woodworkers, it is priced very competitively compared to other plans you might find online, and I do think it is a fun hobby.

If you are an excellent woodworker you may want to give one of these clocks a try. The only warning I have is that no one will know how much work it takes to make one of these. "I don't get no respect"

Dissappointing. I expected more in the way of concise, easy to follow plans. Mostly it's a picture book 'Oh look at this neat clock' and very little (read 'practically non-existent') useful how-to. In some cases, just a parts list. Could have been an amazing book. Author and publisher should have considered a coffee-table concept, and put much more information, details, and craftsmanship, examples for difficult steps, etc-- for each clock. I'd have paid more for a better book that I'd be proud to show off and build from-- not one that will wind up buried or donated to the local library. One of the positive posts I read, which convinced me to purchase this book in the first place, suggested that there are well-laid out plans, exploded views in and so forth in a 'seperate pouch'-- Mine had no such pouch or information. Few close up shots of the mechanisms. Any such 'exploded' views in the book I had (it has since beend donated to a local library) where incomplete, only providing marginal detail for a part of the mechanism-- whatever the author thought was important.

Really just a snapshot of the construction of these "clocks", lacking details. The plans are a real let-down, 3 sheets 20" X 30" printed on both sides! how are we supposed to "photocopy" these 6 plans? Couldn't they have included a link to these plans? They could have at least supplied the plans on single sided prints so they could have been cut out and scanned individually.

I received the book superfast. It has a lot of good information for building wooden clocks . This is one that I will add to my library for sure and look to it for reference on a regular basis. Couldn't be more pleased.

Awesome book. Was surprised by the included full sized plans. Plans for simple first time clock builders to experienced clock builders in this book. Clear easy to understand instructions. Cant wait to start my first clock!

Good information and now it is up to me to take it from the book to the actual gear itself. Well worth the money

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