**Technology Education Web Resources :** *Woodworking Plans*

Advanced Woodworking

The following links will take you to woodworking plan suppliers and magazines. These plans are often the best you can find, but they will cost $5-$30.

<http://www.americanfurnituredsgn.com/gallery.htm> A furniture designer site. Some really cool modern plans; both intermediate and advanced plans are listed. Make sure you can get the plans in time to start your project.

<http://www.finewoodworking.com/woodworking-plans/all-plans/> Fine Woodworking, a very respected and trustworthy company; many well written plans are listed.

<http://www.furnitureplans.com/> Downloadable plans, some free, but most are reasonably priced. Make sure the plans are detailed enough to follow i.e. (dimensions and joinery are shown and correct).

<http://www.newyankee.com/index.php?id=51> Norm Abram shares plans with you from the New Yankee Workshop. The table we built in manufacturing is one of his plans. These plans have great diagram and are fairly easy to follow. Check with me to make sure I don’t have the plan you’re interested in.

<http://www.plansnow.com/furniture.html> This is a database with plans from Woodsmith, ShopNotes, Workbench, and Garden Gate magazines.

<http://www.popularwoodworking.com/projects/other-projects> Another trustable magazine, Popular Woodworking, lists a short list of some interesting projects and furniture.

<http://www.thewoodworkingcatalog.com/plans.html> Links to many small plans sites, only a few of which have already been listed on this sheet.

<http://www.u-bild.com/woodworking-links/index.htm> U build. Many cheap plans; however, much of their selection is craft projects. This site does have a lot of good links to woodworking organizations and shops.

<http://www.woodcraft.com/Category/1004097/Furniture-Plans.aspx> Plans from Woodcraft.com, listed by furniture type.

<http://www.woodmagazine.com/woodworking-plans/furniture/> Plans from Wood magazine. Check what issue the plans are in, it’s likely we have the issue and you can photocopy them for free.

<http://www.woodnet.net/project-plans/> Same advice with this resource as listed above with U-build. This site does feature some very nice modern plans.

<http://www.woodprojects.com/plans1.php> A database of plans listed by furniture type. For example, bed plans may include a few bed plans from major plans sites, as well as plans from lesser known sites.

<http://woodworking.rockler.com/c/woodworking-plans?sli_sid=v9100&gclid=CP3Dovn78LACFUXc4AodaQLrSQ> Plans from Rockler, listed by popularity. We often order supplies from them.

The following websites list plans for free. As with any set of plans, make sure I approve them before you start planning your project. There are often reasons why these plans are free, check the plans closely for accuracy and make sure they meet all of the project plan requirements for the course. A bad set of free plans is not worth a year of frustration. There are some diamonds in the rough, but many of these plans can be hard to follow, and even in the best of situations, produce furniture which is not as aesthetically pleasing as a professional set of plans.

<http://www.craftsmanspace.com/> Craftsman Space. A place to find some obscure and unique plans. Some plans are not very detailed.

<http://freewoodworkingplan.com/> Many links to small outside websites. Some good plans, but most will need additions to make them usable.

<http://www.freeww.com/> Some overlap between this site and other free plans sites, however Freeww does feature many photo rich plans, great for project ideas if nothing else.

<http://www.minwax.com/wood-projects/> Minwax finishes offers some free plans to teachers and students. I have some printed out; additional plans can be found on their site. See me for the key to log-in.

<http://the3house.com/plans/all_plan_cat.htm> Be careful with this one, some plans which are free do not include the entire project. You don’t want to build a table without the legs.

<http://www.woodworkersworkshop.com/resources/index.php?cat=102/> Jim Barry’s has been around for a while. Many of these plans feature some guy building a plywood stool in his basement. This site may be good for project ideas, but not plans.

Plan books can be a great resource when building furniture. Besides including many sets of well written plans, plan books often offer more tips and instruction, and many can be purchased for the same price as one set of plans. While I have a few books in class, here is a list of a few more which can be purchased on-line. You may also want to check our local Barnes and Noble.

<http://www.amazon.com/How-Build-Shaker-Furniture-ebook/dp/B005E8ANDM> Listed here for around twenty bucks, this book features a lot of information and plans on shaker furniture, a timeless style which is great for the student woodworker. This specific book is a woodworking classic.

<http://www.amazon.com/Norm-Abram/e/B000APLZ7M> A list of Norm Abram’s books on Amazon. He is my hero.

<http://www.amazon.com/Popular-Woodworkings-Arts-Crafts-Furniture/dp/1558708464/ref=sr_1_7?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1340893071&sr=1-7&keywords=woodworking+plans> A great book from Popular Woodworking which lists over 25 plans.

<http://www.cambiumbooks.com/> Cambium Books. A book company devoted to woodworking books. Both plan books and many informative books are listed.

<http://voices.yahoo.com/best-5-books-woodworking-4291539.html> An interesting review by Yahoo of what they claim are the best five books on woodworking.

<http://woodworkerslibrary.com/finebooks.php> Woodworkers Library. Many different woodworking books are listed, you may have to wade through some of the construction and craft books to find what you want.

<http://www.woodsmithstore.com/w1001.html> A plan book from Woodsmith, specifically featuring plans on cabinets and shelves.