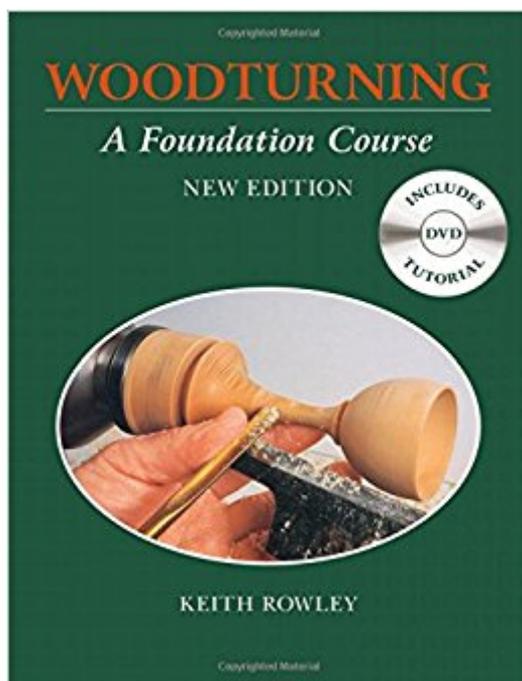


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Internationally recognised as the definitive introduction to woodturning, this expanded and fully

updated edition contains seven new projects, an entirely new section on bandsaws and pillar drills, and important information on the latest equipment. An ideal gift for a woodturning friend - or for yourself! --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

A time-served joiner and turner, Keith Rowley took up woodturning full-time after retiring from the police force.

A very good book on my first skim through of the pages. I will normal flip through the pages of a new book to become familiar with it. IMHO it's designed for the beginners crown, which I a proud member. The author keeps my interests. The chapter on sharpening was informative. IMHO we (woodturners) must get good at sharpening your tools in order to make high quality wood products. The video was a little dry. There's no fancy setup here, expect no bells and whistles. The author is a true Englishman, but I didn't find his writing or speaking difficult to understand. Personally after reading this book and taking from it the most important points, I will be a better wood turner. Hopefully this helps.

This book has more information in it than the DVD by the same title (bought both the DVD and the book)I am completely new to wood turning and have yet to turn my first project. I wanted to get something that would take some of the confusion out of the lathe itself and the use of the tools as well. This book is broke up into very complete chapters. It explains things that you didn't understand you would have to know ahead of time. It explains the basics of the lathe and the principals needed.The book will be a useful reference to go back too and review. There are several charts for quick reference in between the covers and the author explains the reasons why certain things are done in a certain order so your projects get the best results right from the get go. The author is a long time woodturner and a teacher of turning as well. So the book is most excellent in the things that need to be explained. Very very good book. Chock full of illustrations and diagrams. If you are considering buying the book. I would also advise getting the matching DVD, it is always good to see a "live" demonstation. The pair will get you well prepared ahead of time before you power up your lathe for the first time.

This book is exceptional for beginners like me. Evan how to hold each tool and address it to the work. Most chapters are so good, I read them twice or more and the video I am going to wear out.

Well, after 3 semesters at the local community college and after I purchased about 15 books on woodturning and woodworking (all of them great) but I finally realized I still didn't have answers to the basic questions. I reviewed my notes from class and read that this book was recommended. All this time I have been struggling with the basics!! Drat! PHOOEY! Gee Whuz! Duh! I received the book today and there it is! The answers! DON't make the same mistake as I did. Buy this book FIRST! Then you'll enjoy the rest with an understanding of how they did that! Thank you Keith where ever you are!!Freida (I'm the woodturner in the family!)

When I teach woodturning, this book is my primary educational tool. I was fortunate enough to meet the author before he passed on. Keith Rowley was my woodturning idol. His book taught me more and showed it in a way that was so easy to follow and understand. He speaks of the "6 Laws of Wood Turning" ... without them you will suffer the consequences should you break one of these laws ... I promise ... it will be an experience you will not forget, but it will be a learning tool for you. I highly recommend it to anyone interested in learning woodturning. It was a required read for all my students. Bill ~ Kansas City, Ks.

Excellent book, very informative dvd as well.

Great book. The DVD is very useful - I keep playing it and every time I hear something new or get reminded by something that I see but was half forgetting. I'm just learning to turn, and don't have too many people looking over my shoulder to correct me, so the book and DVD will have to do the trick. So far, progress is good.

Being a self taught learner of wood turning, I was getting frustrated with beginner books leaving gaps of specific information that I needed. The nitty-gritty detailed "do it this way and not like that" kind of info, and this book has now become the resource beside my lathe that I reference when I am not sure what/how to achieve results with the proper technique. Short of buying DVDs and placing a TV/DVD player in the shop, or traveling to another city to attend a class, I find that a good book in hand with illustration is more immediate and to the point rather than blogging and waiting for an answer.

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