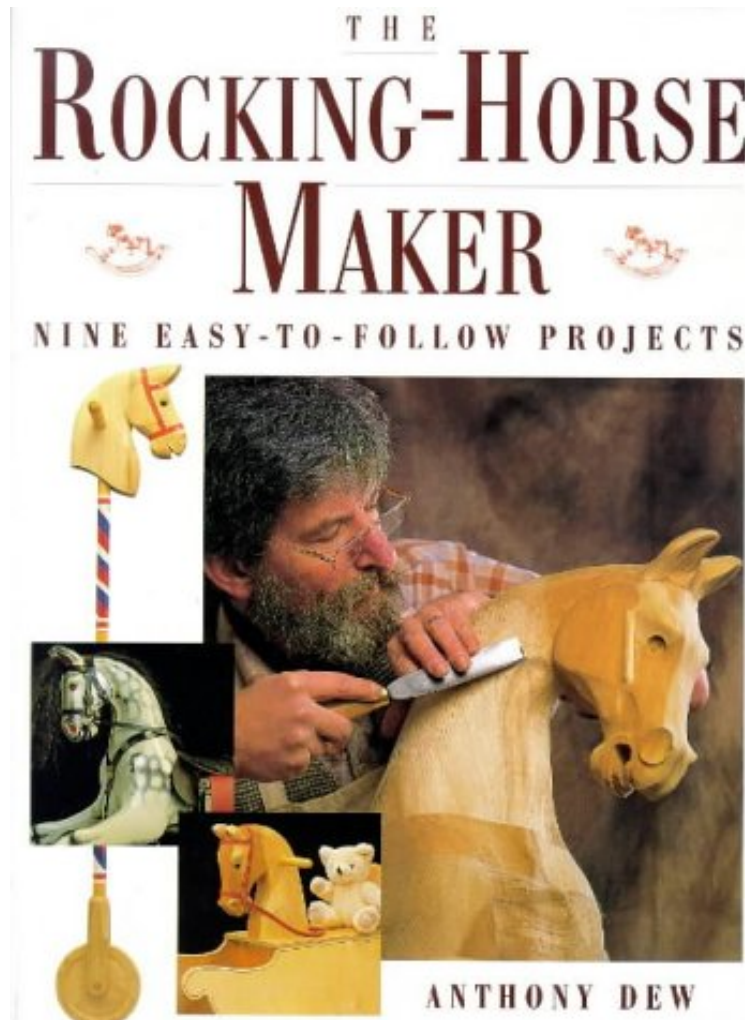


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Learn from the master!By Michele B.I was really excited to order this - Anthony Dew is the master when it comes to heirloom rocking horses! This book is filled with easy to follow instructions, including diagrams and patterns. Additionally, Mr. Dew provides a bit of history behind the rocking horse. He gives recommendations on wood choice, tools, and technique. This is an excellent start into learning how to construct an heirloom piece that will last for years. Excellent book, highly recommended.8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. excellent resourceBy D. FortinI bought a used copy on . This is the older version. A newer version exists that includes 5 more projects. I was lucky the horse I was interested in was included in the 9 projects. I

still bought the plans from Dew to get the full sized drawings. That said, I found the book to be a very good resource on making a rocking horse. Although there are a couple of simpler projects, for the most part the rocking horses are elaborate, carved, and fairly complicated. The drawings are to scale and the text instructions for each project are fairly complete considering that many of the horses are carved and as such there is an artistic/subjective component that the text can't quantify. There are lots of relevant photographs that help quite a bit. The book also has sections and instructions on making saddles and other techniques useful in making the rocking horses. Overall a very good book on the subject. Tony Dew knows what he is doing and gives the reader the confidence to take on these projects. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent step-by-step instructions By MJ Hoffman All I hoped it would be. Excellent step-by-step instructions, patterns and beautiful photographs.

The traditional wooden rocking horse has long been an object of fascination for adults and children alike. Much more than mere toys, they are treasured beyond childhood and handed down from generation to generation as family heirlooms. This practical manual sets out to show that, with care, patience and some basic woodworking skills, anyone can make a rocking horse. It includes projects to suit all levels of ability, from a simple plywood hobby horse for the spare-time woodworker with limited time and tools at his disposal, to a fully-carved dapple grey on bow rockers for the more ambitious craftsman. Each design is accompanied by step-by-step instructions, photographs and drawings, with finished projects illustrated in colour. The projects include carved Victorian horses in several sizes and styles, a carousel horse, and a miniature rocking horse for the mantelpiece. There are also chapters on the history of rocking horses and on their repair and restoration.

From Booklist A vague memory from childhood is brought back to real life by master crafter Dew, author of *Making Rocking Horses*. Though he claims at the very beginning that even novice woodworkers can tackle some of the simpler projects, the plethora of technical terms and materials, coupled with the lack of how-to-carve instructions, belies his initial statement. However, he very clearly sets forth directions, with step-by-step photographs for more difficult processes, along with a wealth of knowledge on appropriate age levels, decorations, and accessories. A number of chapters are devoted to aesthetic details: painting (the reason so many hobby horses are dapple gray is because solid colors magnify every imperfection); leather tack and hair; hoof notches and swing iron stands. The variety of color photographs will convince readers that the practice of this almost lost art is worth every nickel and every hour. Appended are woodworking tips and mail-order suppliers of tools, accessories, and fittings. Barbara Jacobs