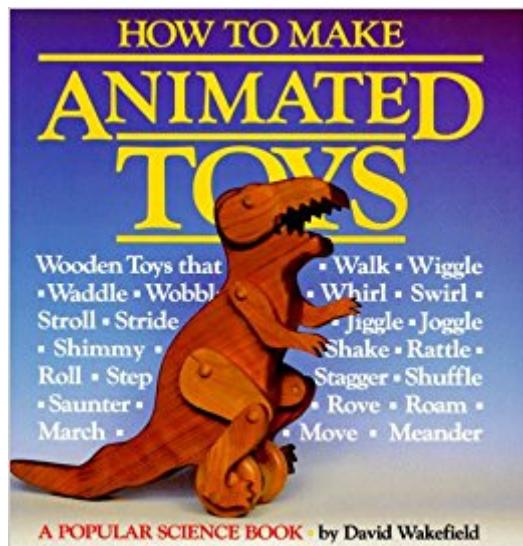


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How To Make Animated Toys



Synopsis

Wild, wacky toys that walk, wiggle, waddle, whirl, stagger, shuffle, shake, rattle and roll. Brilliant drawings, superb patterns, exploded diagrams and complete step-by-step instructions spur you on to make a Gallivanting Gorilla, Ornery Lobster, Sub on the Lookout, Cantankerous Triceratops and 26 other rambling, rambunctious, animated marvels.

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Customer Reviews

Like many scrollers I do craft shows to pay for my hobby. I bought this book as a pattern book to make the puzzles for craft shows. Since I bought it online I did not discover until I received it there was a statement inside the cover explaining you cannot make anything in the book for profit. If you want to make them just for fun it is a great book but many of the projects are very involved so I probably never will invest the time to make them since I usually make one for my son and then extras for craft shows. This book will probably just sit on my shelf and I'll work on other projects I can make multiples of. I really wish a review like this one was posted when I ordered if I had known I could not use the patterns for craft shows I would not have bought the book.

I bought this book about 25 years ago and still regret giving it away. At that time, I did not own a band saw that worked, jigsaw, drill press, or any kind of sanding equipment. All I had was my Delta Unisaw, several good blades and a Craftsman Molding Cutter Head with a lot of cutters. I still have them today. I certainly did not want to cut patterns like these with a coping saw and scrape and sand

away at it until the edges were 90 degrees. That would require a lot of time and elbow grease. Oh, I did own an old three wheel Delta band saw, but I could never get it to work correctly. The blade kept drifting to the right or left. That is when I bought Mark Duginske's book called the "Band Saw Handbook." After working on the saw for some time, I up and finally gave the book away with someone who bought the 3-wheeler saw. Looking back, I think something was wrong with the tilt mechanism on the upper wheel. Now here we are approximately 25 years since I gave it away, with all the equipment I'll ever need. The book, "How to make Animated Toys is back in my hands again, I'm ready to begin making these toys. I don't know if it is fate, karma, or whatever, but I now have 2 grandchildren. Both of them are boys. Noah, the oldest, he is now 20 months old, and Liam, is barely 3 months old. With the 40 years of woodworking experience I now have, I guess it was not time for me to begin building them. These wooden toys are so well put together, it is going to be hard for my 20 month old to tear it apart and Liam will enjoy the same toys Noah did. They are that well built. If they are to last, these toys have to be built out of the right materials and assembled correctly with the best glue possible. Sincerely, David

I have his later book, but he uses some metal in the hinges in that one. This is the best book on my shelf and the kids adore the dinosaurs. The pegs actually work MUCH better and it's more in keeping with "wooden toy". I have tried about 70% of the toys in the book and they have all worked well. The Pteronanodon is probably the most difficult to get the pitman arms just right so it flaps its wings easily. Some of the toys are for beginners; some are only for the very skilled. Detail is sufficient to complete the toys if you start with some easier ones you learn the techniques that are perhaps not derailed as well in the harder toys.

This is a good book, and the designs are great. One issue that I have with some authors of woodworking books is the idea that everyone who works with wood has a huge shop filled with band saws, drill presses, spindle sanders, etc. Hobby wood workers seldom have the full setups the authors are expecting.

Winter Is My Middle NameÂ A Great book!

These wooden toys are fairly easy to make and the grandkids love them.

Such a fantastic book, the plans in here are amazing for children and not difficult to for any

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This is a great book with excellent, detailed plans and instructions. Written before widespread use of the internet the author list sources for items that do not seem to exist anymore but can easily be replaced by searching the web. I'm glad I bought the book and have made 2 of the toys easily with the help from the book. The grandkids love them and that's what matters the most.

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