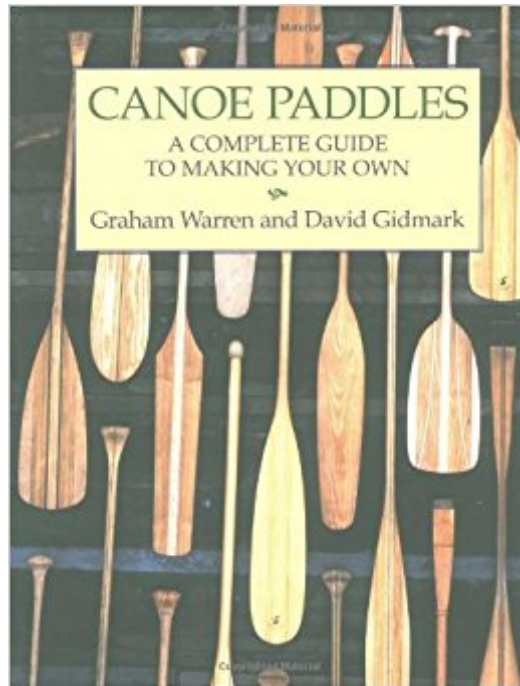


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# Canoe Paddles: A Complete Guide To Making Your Own



## Synopsis

This book combines practical woodworking technique with practical canoe use experience... [It] covers every single aspect of canoe paddle building. -- Sawdust and Shavings Despite the growing interest in making paddles and canoes, it can be difficult to find reliable information on that craft -- except for this book. First published more than a decade ago and having sold 35,000 copies, *Canoe Paddles: A Complete Guide to Making Your Own* is the ultimate modern guide to the traditional craft for both the how-to beginner and the skilled woodworker. In *Canoe Paddles: A Complete Guide to Making Your Own*, longtime canoeist and woodworker Graham Warren provides detailed information and guidance to make a canoe paddle that will be used with confidence and cherished for generations. The book is thoroughly illustrated with photographs, line drawings and plans with measurements for: How to make a paddle having a single blade, a bent shaft, or double blades How to protect a paddle with oil or varnish What to look for when test-driving a paddle How to decorate a paddle How to care for and repair a paddle. The authors include an appreciation of the evolution of the paddle plus a special chapter by renowned canoe-building teacher David Gidmark which celebrates paddle-making in the native tradition.

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Graham Warren has been building wood-canvas canoes and paddles since 1991. His articles on canoeing have appeared in many journals. David Gidmark teaches canoe building in Wisconsin, New York, Tahiti and Quebec. His previous books include Building a Birchbark Canoe and Birchbark Canoe: Living Among the Algonquin. Gidmark and his wife live in Maniwaki, Quebec.

Excellent reference for everything about paddles, shapes, design, how to make, wood types and advantages of each.

wonderful book - fun

This Was quite a surprise. Not only was this book very informative and to the point; IT was a pleasure to read. Well written, warm tone and Nice pictures made me dream about the paddles i am toing to make, and made me confident enough to start. Thank you!

Very well written book. easy to follow and understand for a novice paddle builder. I have done a lot of woodworking but never made something like this. looking forward to building some custom paddles.

A detailed authoritative guide to paddles and the history of their creation.

Excellent condition

Before I opened this book, I didn't know there were so many different paddles from which to choose. The book is well written and lines out tools needed, materials you can use and has some nice drawings and explanations of how to construct something which looks so simple, yet is fairly complicated, despite its ease of use.

Not just plans but a well explained thesis on the processes involved in building great paddles

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