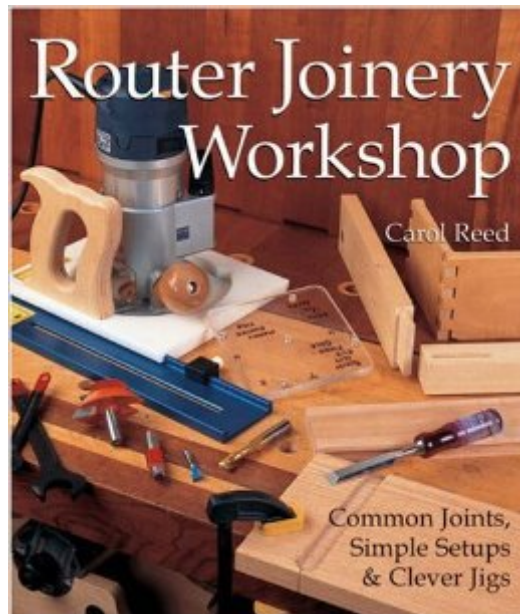


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# Router Joinery Workshop: Common Joints, Simple Setups & Clever Jigs



## Synopsis

This comprehensive course on making joints with a router is divided into four sections. It starts with a course on the tool itself, plus bits, special holding systems and techniques, and looks at features to consider when buying, which basics are usually included and how to make your own improvements. Part two looks at the different woodworking joints, from rabbets and dados to mortise and tenons to the most special and rarely-used kinds, and how to execute them with the router. The third part explores the special techniques at which the router excels: make multiples of a shape with template routing; join curving edges without a gap; fix defects in the wood; and decorate a plain project with inlay. The last section includes projects such as a totebox, bookcase, frame and panel door and a small table.

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## Customer Reviews

I have many books on using routers, but I think this is the best. If you are beginner in regard to routers, this is the book to get. If you are experienced in the use of routers, you will still find much useful information. Many books on routers are usually just compendiums of jigs, and most repeat the same types of jigs as the other books. While this book also presents a number of useful jigs, jigs are not the focus. The emphasis is on actually using the router in many commonly encountered situations. Procedures are described in careful, step-by-step detail. There is a wealth of full color photos, and line drawings are clear and carefully labeled. One review griped that supplies and

materials used in jigs and projects covered by the book were hard to obtain in his local hardware store. That is likely to be the case in regard to the jigs presented in almost any router book. There are many reputable sources for these items on the internet, and it isn't at all realistic to expect them to be available locally except in large cities. There are no hard-to-find items required. It is true that one of the topics covered is the use of a vacuum system to clamp work to a table while routing. This is usually considered the best way to hold down work so that the router is unimpeded by clamps and other contrivances. The vacuum clamp is actually quite simple to make (the drawings and directions for the system are quite clear in this book - far more so than in other books I've seen) and the most exotic part of the system is a vacuum pump, easily purchased used off ebay for a fraction of the cost of a new pump. There is much useful information about the basics in regard to buying routers, bits, and useful tools helpful in setting up your router and maintaining it.

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