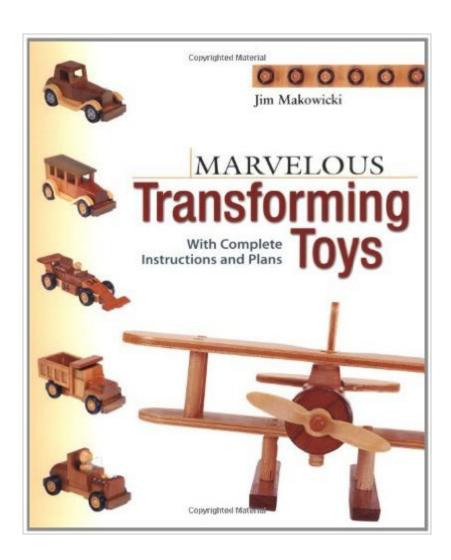
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Marvelous Transforming Toys: With Complete Instructions And Plans





Synopsis

With this book, woodworkers can build any number of unique toys in six different categories: boats, trucks, houses, planes, vehicles, or ships. Each system uses easily made interchangeable components. An initial chapter discusses materials, tools, jigs for cutting small parts, and safety issues. The rest of the book contains scale drawings (with dimensions) and step-by-step instructions.

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The author has come up with a great set of toy sets: boats, trucks, planes, and houses. Each set has interchangable parts which kids can put together to create their own masterpieces. Author assumes ownership of basic tools, drillpress, table saw, bandsaw, and in some cases a lathe comes in handy. I have all but the lathe and am having a lot of fun (and challenges) working my way through the sets. Note that not all of the above tools are required, but since he helps you create jigs to recreate your work, the advantage is to people who have them. Some complex angles, tapers and cuts, but with patience all can be made either by hand or with standard hand tools (tough), or with stationary tools. Probably the drill press (or a good way to bore exact repeatable holes) is the most critical in getting great results.

The toys in this book are very unique. They can be set up in many different ways. Constructing them requires an extra measure of precision woodworking, as there are so many directions and

positions that the pieces must fit. There is advice on the means to get this precise drilling accomplished and it should be followed if the toy is to work as designed. Some of the toys I made as single items with no positioning options, and they work just as well toward thrilling the youngsters. This is a challenging idea, and fun to work.

Good, not great book. Great idea, reusing chassis to build different vehicles. Some of the shapes are a bit clunky, but overall, a good addition to our library of toy plans.

Haven't built anything yet, but am intrigued by some of the designs.

A good reference book with lots of useful information.

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