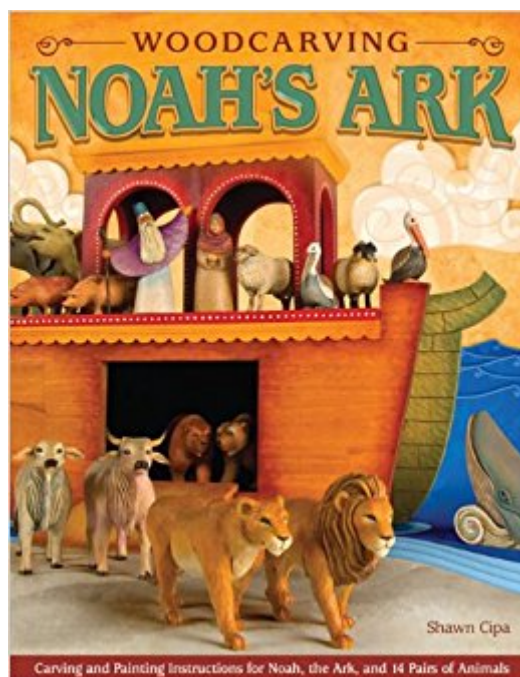




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# Woodcarving Noah's Ark: Carving And Painting Instructions For The Noah, The Ark, And 14 Pairs Of Animals



## Synopsis

As one of the most popular stories of the Bible, the legend of Noah and the Ark is passed from generation to generation. Now, with the expert guidance of acclaimed woodcarver Shawn Cipa, bring the story to life with a hand-carved set that will be cherished for generations. Each project features helpful photographs and professional carving tips and techniques.

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The song, "If I were a carpenter", keeps running through my head, except with a little editing of the words. "If I were a woodcarver" - oh what a great book to have!! Not only does the book provide detailed instructions (including wonderful photos) to carve 14 different "two by twos" animals, Noah, and "Mrs. Noah", but it also includes patterns for the ark, which doesn't rely on carving for its creation. What I really love about this book is that it can be used not only for the ark project but for farm animals or animals in general. I also see a possibility for creating "rough cut" figures as well as ones with details such as manes or eyes. What child (or adult, really) wouldn't love any of these options?! My Ratings of The Book Layout and Appearance: Beautiful photos nicely laid out with the instructions. Thumbs Up! Instructions: Very clear how-to instructions, projects. (Ex. the lion has 56 photos for the carving process and 16 photos of the finishing process. Thumbs Up! Projects Selection: One project that can be adapted for many purposes. Great. Inspiration: Once you have the hang of carving animals and people - the sky is the limit! Thumbs Up! Overall: Thumbs Up! Incorporating carving patterns and tips as well as the Biblical story of the epic Flood, and its

many interpretations around the world, *Woodcarving Noah's Ark* by Shawn Cipa is aimed at woodcarvers of beginning skill level and up who want to create a Noah's Ark set in a folk art style. Complete instructions are included for carving Noah and the lion, as well as plans and patterns for a three-tiered ark, Noah's wife and 14 additional pairs of animals. *Woodcarving Noah's Ark* (Fox Chapel Publishing, ISBN 978-1-56523-477-2) is priced at \$22.95. What a delightful book! This book by Shawn Cipa contains full carving and finishing instructions for Noah, the ark itself and 14 pairs of animals from the simple house cats, doves, to owls sheep, toucans and elephants and more. Cipa covers all the details like in which direction the wood grain should be. He shows you in detail how to build the famous ark. Select the paint and color types and how to apply them. The animals (in pairs) are described in great detail. This is the perfect book to use to start a perfect Christmas gift for those young ones on your list.

As one of the most popular stories of the Bible, the legend of Noah and the Ark is passed from generation to generation. Now, with the expert guidance of acclaimed woodcarver Shawn Cipa, you can do more than simply pass along this beloved tale: you can bring it to life with a hand-carved set that will be cherished for generations. In *Woodcarving Noah's Ark*, Cipa provides all the guidance you'll need to carve this folk art-inspired collection. First, you'll follow his step-by-step carving and painting instructions for crafting Noah, the lion, and the ark. When these are complete, you can easily move on to the detailed patterns for creating Noah's wife, 14 pairs of animals, and a majestic whale. To help you achieve success, each project features helpful photographs and professional carving tips and techniques. As a bonus, an overview of Noah and the flood is included, drawing on the Bible account and many versions of the story from around the world, to provide historical context and artistic reference as you carve this beautiful heirloom project.

My very first woodcarving project was Noah from this book. The author guides you from cutting the pattern through every step of the project, even helping you through the painting process. His full-color photos, showing all angles, make it possible to successfully reproduce his designs with comparative ease. Subsequent designs are pictured just as fully and there are plenty more step by step full-color photos to use as guides. The pattern for the ark itself is also included. To date, I have finished Mr. and Mrs. Noah, the giraffes, the sheep, the pigs, the flamingos, the owls, the pelicans, and the toucans. All have turned out better than I could have hoped or expected. While I have carved many things since Noah, I still value Shawn Cipa's woodcarving books above any of the others now on my shelf and look forward to completing all of the projects in the book. Update: I have

now finished all the animals in the book and owe the author major thanks for his wonderful instructions, full-color photos, and detailed patterns of each design. I can honestly say that this book is the reason that I ever started wood carving. As I said, the figure of Noah was my very first project and was so successful that it inspired me to not only continue carving but to join a carving club where I have met many wonderful friends and have explored many other forms of carving. I have always returned to my initial project of Noah's Ark, however, and am just amazed that my efforts have resulted in something that I will be proud to pass down to my family. I am getting ready to build the actual ark now. Shawn's highly detailed instructions for this structure are just incredible. My next long-term project will be from his book Woodcarving the Nativity, Folk-Art Style. Can't wait!

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Love this book and this artist!

I got this book for my woodcarver husband, because a customer requested a Noah's Ark. He loves the realistic animals. Easy to follow, with plenty of detail for carvers of all abilities.

This book is beautifully illustrated and easy to follow for carving the figures it represents. I plan on ordering more like it and I highly recommend it to anyone who is into carving.

My Carving Club is planning a gift project of these figures for the church who furnishes us space for our weekly meetings.

Noah's Ark set is really cute and I look forward to carving the animals. The patterns are great and informative

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