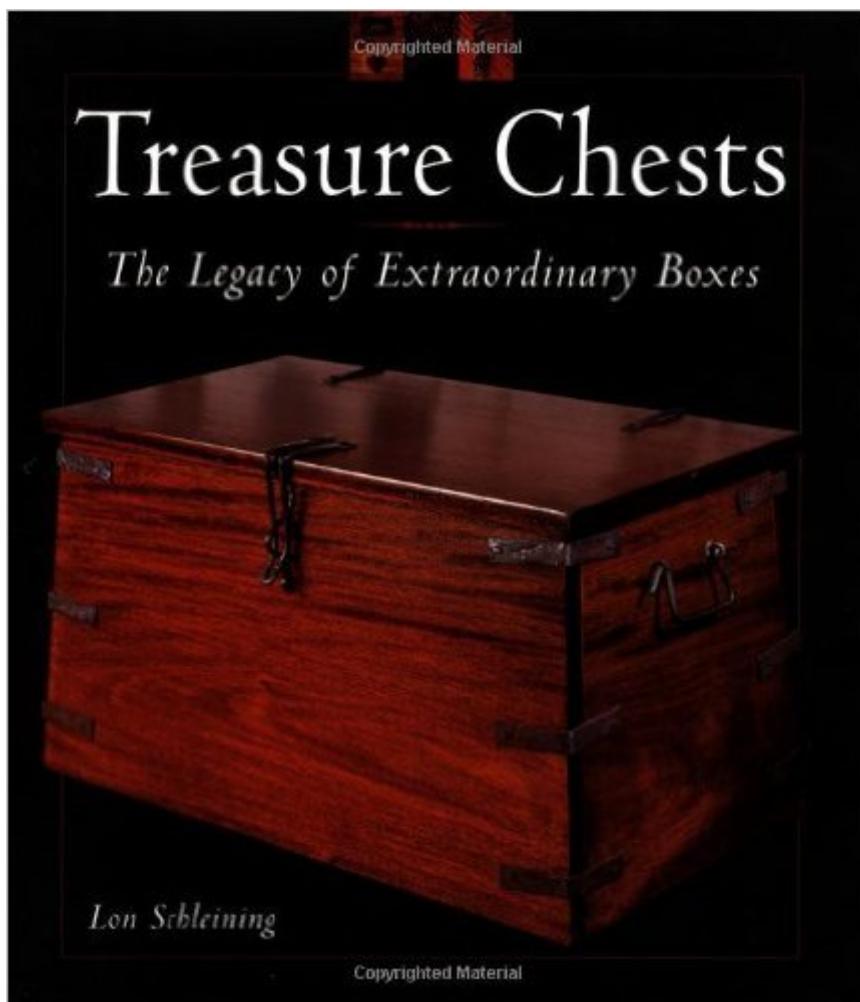


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Treasure Chests: The Legacy Of Extraordinary Boxes



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Treasure Chests traces the fascinating evolution of the boxes that have held the things that people valued most throughout history. For thousands of years, chests have gone to war and to sea, journeyed with us across entire continents, and protected the possessions we hold most dear in our very own homes. From tool chests to toy chests, this book celebrates how extraordinary a box can be when it is meant to hold the things we cherish most.

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Customer Reviews

A lovely book. The title may mislead - it's really what I would think of as large-scale boxes, carcass work. Old and new designs, from blanket chests to campaign chests. Usually enough photos of each piece to give a real sense of it, too. (I hate feeling like I've missed seeing 2/3 of what's there.)

I really enjoy this book. I am a woodworker / furniture maker and I read a lot of this style of book. The author does a fantastic job of illustrating each box and providing a bit of background on each box. The photos are all in color and very well composed. The boxes range from a tea box recovered from the harbor at the Boston Tea Party to HO Studley's over-the-top tool chest to a standard GI foot locker. The book is well-organized. There is little wood working technique described so if you are looking for a how-to book, this ain't the book for you. However, the author briefly describes uncommon techniques such as lapstrake construction (common in shipbuilding but almost unheard of in furniture making).

This book is truly enjoyable to read. It is a beautiful "coffee table" book -- after all, who isn't intrigued by antique treasure chests and other historical boxes. I really enjoyed the history behind the various boxes types, and learned a lot about the benefits of the different construction types.

I ordered this book from Russia. Relying on the lack of such books in our country, it is really valuable material. I'm glad I have it now and strongly advise you to purchase one. Best wishes!

When I ordered this I was under the impression it would have plans, for various types of chests, including so-called 'pirate' chests. It's a lovely book, with lovely pictures. But plans? Not a one. There are picture, one or two, of various chests, a one, possibly two, page blurb on it. But not a lot on details on construction et al on most of them. It's a really nice book, and I'm not sorry I got it, but if I had been able to thumb thru a copy before I ordered it, I would not have ordered it. I've been wanting to make a small chest for my grand-dau, and a pirate type chest for my grandson. Thought this would be what I wanted. It has provided some inspiration, and I have the skill to make one, just wanted a nice design, preferably with plans, or at least measurements. As I said, I'm happy with the book, but think I found my inspiration elsewhere.

Good basic Box and Chest book excellent colour photos that can lead to inspiration so for that reason alone it's worth the price. Great for a beginner or someone looking for uncomplicated boxes or chests to build.

I loved looking at this book. It covered a lot of variety of types of chests and provided interesting historical and culture facts, as well as personal stories for specific chests. The pictures to text ratio is perfect. I wish there was a little more information on construction--there was some useful information on types of construction for the wood itself, but I would have liked to see information on materials/woods used, latches, locks, handles, and strapping/corners. Still, I am very happy with my purchase.

This review is for the soft cover book. This is a great book if you're looking for ideas on what to make, not if you're wanting to learn how to make them. This book would have gotten 5 stars from me, but the book is falling apart. The binding is so poorly constructed that pages are falling out of the book. I like the book enough that I might reorder it in hard cover and hope I have better luck.

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