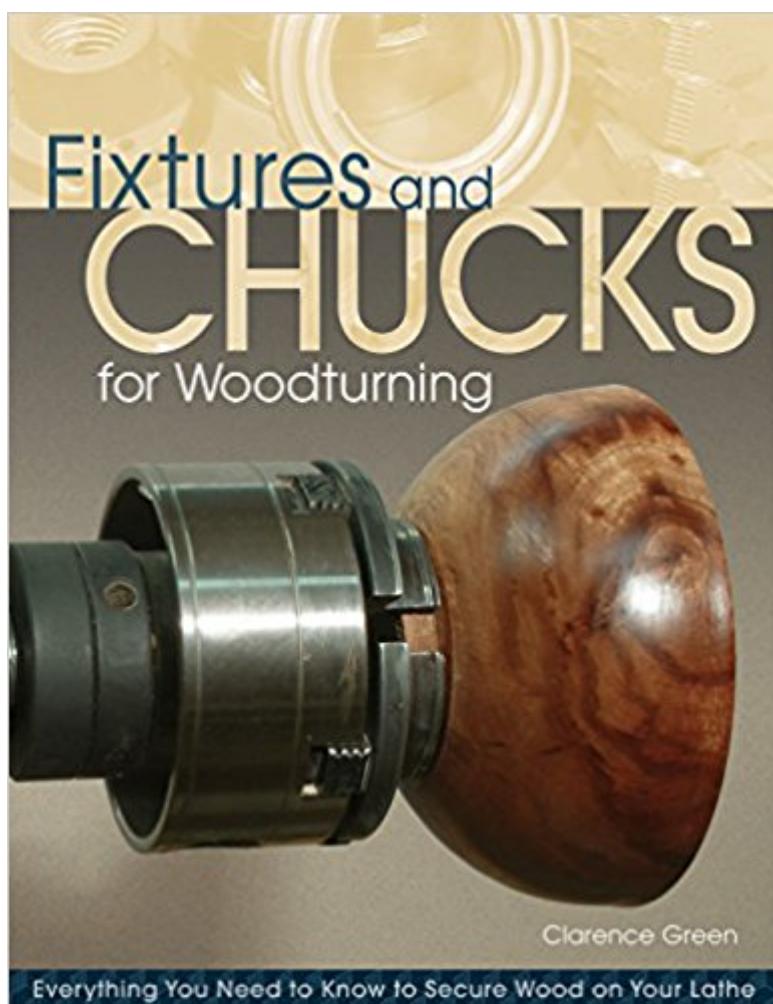


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Fixtures And Chucks For Woodturning: Everything You Need To Know To Secure Wood On Your Lathe



Synopsis

This book will help you save money on woodturning, expand your abilities, and master new challenges, giving you more success and confidence at the lathe.

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The tagline for the book "Fixtures and Chucks for Woodturning" says, "Everything you need to know to secure wood on your lathe" and I don't think that is an exaggeration. What more can there be when you have section headings of: Drive Centers and Live Centers Faceplates and Screw Centers Scroll Chucks Handy Shopmade Chucks Jam Chucks Collets and Mandrels Cole Jaws, Doughnut Chucks, Longworth Chucks Vacuum and Vacuum Systems Vacuum Chucks Steady Rests Turning Projects, and Assembled Pieces This book provides not only information on the above topics along with a multitude of photos but, also, is intermixed with projects such as turning an egg or a goblet with a lid. If you're wondering about turning punky wood or attaching to end grain, well that information is in here too. Fantastic! My Ratings of The Book Layout and Appearance: Good balance of photos, how-to instructions, projects. Thumbs Up! Instructions: Clear information and instructions Thumbs Up! Projects Selection: An unexpected bonus in this book. Great. Inspiration: Lots of information to open the door to creative turnings. Thumbs Up! Overall: Thumbs Up! Turners tend to get comfortable with learned methods, repeating a standard chucking process with ease until the day they run upon a situation where the tried and true won't work. I've been turning for a few years now, and every once in a while I have to mutter, "Now, how am I going to do that?" Doc Green pretty well has that question covered, and I believe anything beyond the realm of his new

book may fall into the category of wild and crazy ideas. Doc divides the book into twelve sections, all well-illustrated with clear photographs showing what he's talking about. He covers drive centers and live centers, faceplates and screw centers, scroll chucks, shop made and jam chucks, collets and mandrels, cole jaws, doughnut chucks and Longworth chucks, vacuum systems and their chucks, steady rests, and several turning projects to practice methods he has described. Every method presented carries with it the necessary cautions about what not to do as well as how to do it best. He explains leverage and torque, how a turning tool puts stress on the workpiece, and how best to prepare a blank for mounting on the lathe. The really nice thing about this book is that every method is presented with alternatives, so there are a variety of ways to solve a given problem. There are also lots of shop-built jigs and aids included. Unless you've solved every problem in handling wood on the lathe, Doc's book will be invaluable for enlightening each new challenge along a woodturner's path of experience. *Fixtures and Chucks for Woodturning* by Clarence Green covers both commercially produced and shop-made chucks, centers and faceplates. In addition to the projects for making your own shop helpers for turning projects, there are some projects that incorporate the use of these wood holders to create turned items. *Fixtures and Chucks for Woodturning* (Fox Chapel Publishing, ISBN 978-1-56523-519-9) is priced at \$22.95. The title should be enough for even the expert woodturner to get excited about. How many times have turners fretted about ways to mount particular pieces? Author Green may in fact have the answer in this excellent and beautifully illustrated book. Green shows you how to make some excellent steadies as well as some interesting and novel PVC vacuum chucks. The author takes you through all of the standard chucks and shows how to make them work better for your turning. This is a great reference book that won't lie around collecting dust.

Get a Grip on Woodturning The key to successful and safe woodturning is simple: make sure the wood is properly secured to the lathe before you turn it on. *Fixtures and Chucks for Woodturning* gathers all the essential information about chucks and fixtures in one place for the first time, making this critical step in woodturning accessible and easy to understand. *Fixtures and Chucks for Woodturning* is a valuable reference for dedicated turners and beginners alike and is designed to improve your overall skills and broaden the range of projects you can tackle at the lathe. By presenting a carefully crafted combination of how-to advice and interesting, engaging projects, this book explains how to get the most from commercial chucks, centers, and faceplates, while also teaching you how to make your own custom wood-holders so you can pursue any style of woodturning you can imagine.

This should be the second book in any turner's collection. Dr. Green does a fantastic job describing the various ways to make stuff on the lathe. The illustrations are top-notch and the directions are astute. This book provides lots of how-to. How to make a goblet with a long thin cylinder connecting the base to the vessel, how-to make your own vacuum chucks, how to place a bowl on a vacuum chuck so it is aligned. The book justly deserves my 5 star review. (BTW- the first book should either be a Richard Raffan or David Ellsworth intro to turning book.)

Doc Green provides a lot of valuable information on holding wood on your lathe. Besides what you would expect on chucks, faceplates and centers, he goes on to shopmade chucks, jam chucks, collets and mandrels. There are lots of innovative shopmade jigs and chucks detailed. He explains how to make chucks to reverse turn a bowl for finishing: with cole jaws, doughnut chucks and Longworth chucks. He includes an excellent chapter on making vacuum chucks with very detailed instructions on making the trickiest part, the rotary adapter.

This is a gift for my grandpa who is retired and decided to get into wood working. He bought a lathe and took over the garage and made it into a wood shop. He is extremely talented and the things he makes are amazing. I thought this book would help him because lathes can be tricky to use at times. He always figures it out in the end but I thought this book would make it quicker and easier for him. I like how the book is laid out, and I think he's going to like it too.

First, I'm a new wood turner and my turning experience is limited. The book has a lot of good information for the beginning turner and the more experienced turner. As a new turner, I thought the book was geared more towards the intermediate or experienced turner. An experienced turner would probably say the book was written for a beginner so as I said, the book has something for all experience level turners. The only thing I disliked was that the instructions for building jigs, face plates, chucks etc. were not very clear. They seemed to leave out a lot of detail and I thought, made the assumption every reader was going to know what the "in between" instructions were. I would like to have seen more detail and pictures on how jigs and chucks presented were made. Overall I would recommend the book to any turner as they will get some trick or idea or information out of reading it.

Very helpful in demystifying the Lathe Chuck.

Good treatise on chucks for wood turning. I was interested in the author's own design of vacuum chucks...until I realized that my lathe doesn't have a center thru-hole in the spindle. It's a ShopSmith, so it's solid, instead. Never really thought about it until I was looking into making one of these. Other chapters are good for reference on other types of chucks as well.

The book describes a number of new ideas for chucking wood in a wood lathe. I liked the way the security of holding wood in a wood lathe was demonstrated in a very good number of ways. I have had more than a few years experience with this, I really learned a lot of new ways to hold wood in wood lathe.

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