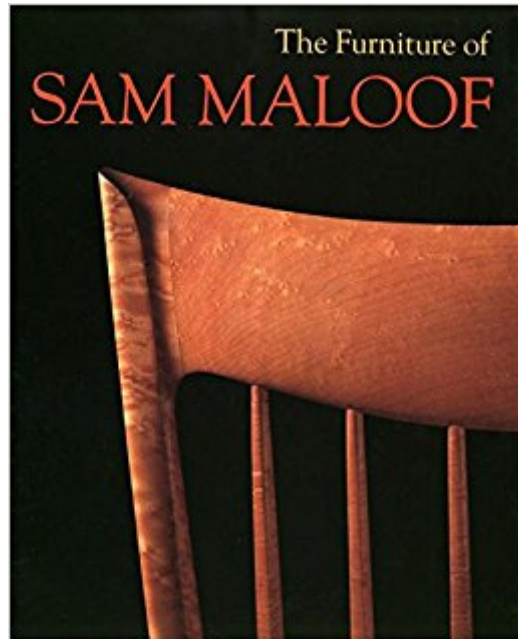




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The Furniture Of Sam Maloof



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An exploration of the life and work of America's most distinguished craftsman. Sam Maloof (1916-2013) is a consummate furniture designer and maker, recognized worldwide as a craftsman's craftsman. This book examines Maloof's lifetime of production. Documented in 200 illustrations, over 90 in color, Adamson traces Maloof's career from his earliest efforts to the masterworks he produces today. Set in the context of the development of Southern California modernism and the contemporary American craft movement, this volume offers the first thorough look at Maloof's extraordinary life and work, providing insights into the materials and techniques of woodworking, as well as the artisan lifestyle. Published in association with the Smithsonian American Art Museum. 95 color & 105 black & white illustrations

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"[A]n insightful, interesting read for anyone interested in the great man, or in woodworking in general." - Alex MacFarlane, Furniture & Cabinet Making
"I recommend you read this wonderful book. [Five stars]" - Nick Gibbs, Good Woodworking

Jeremy Adamson, curator of the Renwick Gallery, lives in Virginia.

One of two major books on Maloof's furniture. Excellent photography. A bit weak on discussion on two major topics, his approach to joinery and his use of sculpted lines. These two are unique and

why he is studied and copied by woodworkers.

My son-in-law, new to furniture refinishing, loves this book. My daughter gave me a heads up on this before Christmas, so I was the greatest mother-in-law around when I gave it to him.

This book is a detailed biography of Sam Maloof. It has many detailed pictures of Mr. Maloof's work. Of course there are many photos of his famous rockers, but there are also photos of his tables, baby rockers/cradles and early furniture. The book is easy to read. The sentences are not verbose nor are they staccato. But, the author seems to catalog every single show, large or small, that Mr. Maloof's work was exhibited in. (Apparently Mr. Maloof's wife, Freda, collected volumes of memorabilia about her husband's career.) Being a woodworker, I was also very interested in technical details, but this book is somewhat lacking. If I could give this book 4 1/2 stars, I would. It's not quite a five out of five. But it's more than a four star effort.

If you love art and wood, you'll be happy

The book is a long list of Sam Maloof's accomplishments during his long life. It is very interesting but a little dry. I would have liked to see more photos of how Sam building his furniture. All that being said however, there is not enough written about Sam Maloof and so I enjoyed to book.

Gave it to my son as a gift. He likes it.

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