



 Get Print Book

# The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees

*By Robert Penn*



Download



Read Online

The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn

**The story of how one man cut down a single tree to see how many things could be made from it.**

Out of all the trees in the world, the ash is most closely bound up with who we are: the tree we have made the greatest and most varied use of over the course of human history. One frigid winter morning, Robert Penn lovingly selected an ash tree and cut it down. He wanted to see how many beautiful, handmade objects could be made from it.

Thus begins an adventure of craftsmanship and discovery. Penn visits the shops of modern-day woodworkers?whose expertise has been handed down through generations?and finds that ancient woodworking techniques are far from dead. He introduces artisans who create a flawless axe handle, a rugged and true wagon wheel, a deadly bow and arrow, an Olympic-grade toboggan, and many other handmade objects using their knowledge of ash's unique properties. Penn connects our daily lives back to the natural woodlands that once dominated our landscapes.

Throughout his travels?from his home in Wales, across Europe, and America?Penn makes a case for the continued and better use of the ash tree as a sustainable resource and reveals some of the dire threats to our ash trees. The emerald ash borer, a voracious and destructive beetle, has killed tens of millions of ash trees across North America since 2002. Unless we are prepared to act now and better value our trees, Penn argues, the ash tree and its many magnificent contributions to mankind will become a thing of the past. This exuberant tale of nature, human ingenuity, and the pleasure of making things by hand chronicles how the urge to understand and appreciate trees still runs through us all like grain through wood.

8 pages of illustrations



[Download The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees ...pdf](#)



[Read Online The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees ...pdf](#)

# The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees

*By Robert Penn*

## The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn

**The story of how one man cut down a single tree to see how many things could be made from it.**

Out of all the trees in the world, the ash is most closely bound up with who we are: the tree we have made the greatest and most varied use of over the course of human history. One frigid winter morning, Robert Penn lovingly selected an ash tree and cut it down. He wanted to see how many beautiful, handmade objects could be made from it.

Thus begins an adventure of craftsmanship and discovery. Penn visits the shops of modern-day woodworkers whose expertise has been handed down through generations and finds that ancient woodworking techniques are far from dead. He introduces artisans who create a flawless axe handle, a rugged and true wagon wheel, a deadly bow and arrow, an Olympic-grade toboggan, and many other handmade objects using their knowledge of ash's unique properties. Penn connects our daily lives back to the natural woodlands that once dominated our landscapes.

Throughout his travels from his home in Wales, across Europe, and America Penn makes a case for the continued and better use of the ash tree as a sustainable resource and reveals some of the dire threats to our ash trees. The emerald ash borer, a voracious and destructive beetle, has killed tens of millions of ash trees across North America since 2002. Unless we are prepared to act now and better value our trees, Penn argues, the ash tree and its many magnificent contributions to mankind will become a thing of the past. This exuberant tale of nature, human ingenuity, and the pleasure of making things by hand chronicles how the urge to understand and appreciate trees still runs through us all like grain through wood.

8 pages of illustrations

## The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #64996 in Books
- Published on: 2016-07-26
- Released on: 2016-07-26
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 9.60" h x 1.00" w x 6.50" l, .0 pounds
- Binding: Hardcover
- 256 pages

 [Download The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees ...pdf](#)



## **Editorial Review**

### **Review**

“A beautifully figured and multicolored ode to our love affair with the invaluable ash tree. I swooned. Penn’s paean to the many uses of the ash is so well-wrought that I am compelled to take up hurling.” (Nick Offerman)

“There is no greater debt than that which mankind owes to trees, and Robert Penn proves this brilliantly?a highly readable account of the multitude of uses one single ash tree can provide.” (Lars Mytting, author of *Norwegian Wood*)

“The appeal of Robert Penn’s enchanting narrative extends far beyond tree enthusiasts, woodworkers, and fanatic loggers like me. It is a book-lover’s feast. Penn’s wonderful prose and compelling research put *The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees* right up there in the league with such classics as John McPhee’s *The Survival of the Bark Canoe*.” (Rinker Buck, New York Times best-selling author of *The Oregon Trail*)

### **About the Author**

Robert Penn is the author of the best-selling celebration of craftsmanship, *It’s All About the Bike*. A writer and journalist, Penn wrote and presented *Tales from the Wild Wood*, a television series about British woodlands. He lives in a wooded valley in South Wales with his family.

## **Users Review**

### **From reader reviews:**

#### **Debbie Brown:**

Why don't make it to become your habit? Right now, try to prepare your time to do the important behave, like looking for your favorite guide and reading a e-book. Beside you can solve your trouble; you can add your knowledge by the book entitled *The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees*. Try to make the book *The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees* as your good friend. It means that it can to be your friend when you feel alone and beside that of course make you smarter than ever. Yeah, it is very fortunated for you. The book makes you more confidence because you can know everything by the book. So , let's make new experience in addition to knowledge with this book.

#### **Roy Taylor:**

This book untitled *The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees* to be one of several books that best seller in this year, this is because when you read this reserve you can get a lot of benefit upon it. You will easily to buy this specific book in the book store or you can order it through online. The publisher of the book sells the e-book too. It makes you more readily to read this book, because you can read this book in your Mobile phone. So there is no reason to you personally to past this book from your list.

**Clarence Jenkins:**

Your reading 6th sense will not betray an individual, why because this The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees publication written by well-known writer who really knows well how to make book which might be understand by anyone who have read the book. Written inside good manner for you, dripping every ideas and writing skill only for eliminate your own personal hunger then you still hesitation The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees as good book not merely by the cover but also by the content. This is one guide that can break don't assess book by its deal with, so do you still needing one more sixth sense to pick that!? Oh come on your reading sixth sense already said so why you have to listening to an additional sixth sense.

**Tabitha Devore:**

Beside that The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees in your phone, it might give you a way to get closer to the new knowledge or information. The information and the knowledge you can got here is fresh from your oven so don't end up being worry if you feel like an older people live in narrow town. It is good thing to have The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees because this book offers to you personally readable information. Do you at times have book but you rarely get what it's all about. Oh come on, that would not happen if you have this in the hand. The Enjoyable arrangement here cannot be questionable, including treasuring beautiful island. Use you still want to miss it? Find this book and also read it from right now!

**Download and Read Online The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn #GC098VZTBXP**

## **Read The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn for online ebook**

The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn books to read online.

### **Online The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn ebook PDF download**

**The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn Doc**

**The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn Mobipocket**

**The Man Who Made Things Out of Trees By Robert Penn EPub**