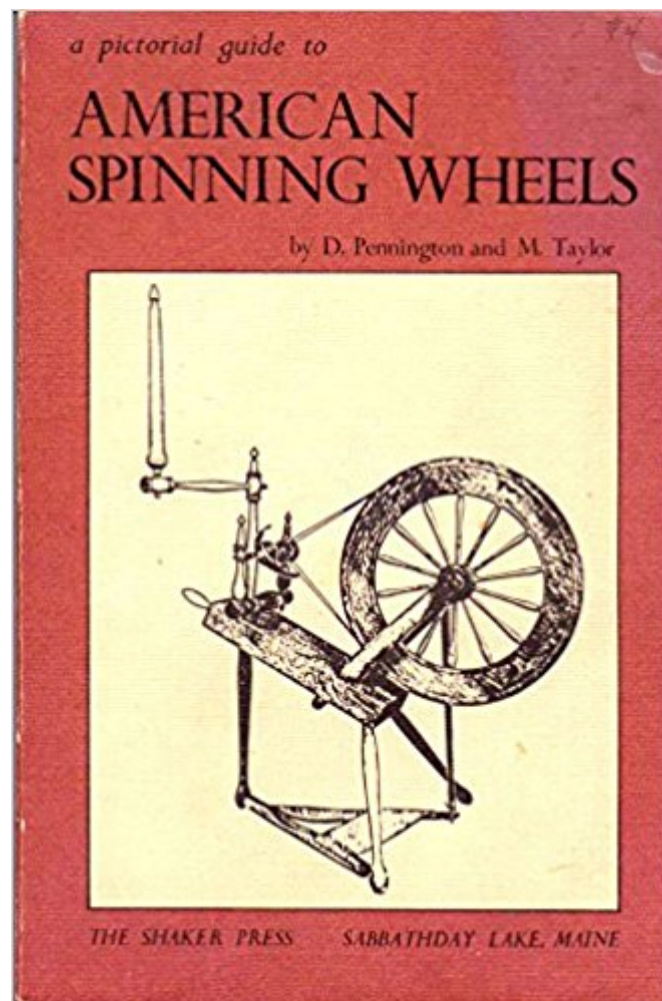




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I am disappointed in this book. I wanted it because I have a few antique wheels that I am attempting to identify and, after hours of sifting through the www, I thought that this book would provide me with the answers for which I had been searching. Not so. Sadly, I feel even more frustrated and have already begun searching online (again). While it is true that it would be impossible for any one book (or collection) to contain every single type and make of spinning wheel ever made, it seems like this book is a bit narrow in its selections. Perhaps, as one reviewer wrote, an updated version may solve this issue. The book provides a topical introduction to spinning wheel anatomy and a detailed description of the main types of wheels encountered in the U.S.; however it reads like a history text for collectors rather than a "living" history book for living spinners. Perhaps the fact that I am more of a spinner than a collector has clouded my perception? On the positive side, it does have plenty of pictures and it is clear that an enormous amount of research went into it. It is probably very helpful to many people; just not to me. It will sit on a shelf somewhere collecting dust until it is either given or packed away.

i was delighted to learn of this book and to get it. i have a shaker great wheel and had long

wishedfor any kind of information. book arrived very fast and much appreciated here.

Nice book!

A useful book, it just needs updating. A lot of other wheels have surfaced since then, and there should be a section on how to identify "modern" wheels because I've seen a lot of dealers try to fob off modern Ashfords as genuine "antiques" either out of ignorance or greed.

A good reference for when you are "picking" for spinning wheels.

For anyone interested in spinning wheels, this is a great overview of the provenance, styles & development of spinning wheels in North America. A very nice pictorial reference. Mr. Pennington's later (2004) book is on my Christmas list!

Book was rec'd and as described. Thank you for the fast service.

This book is a pocket reference with decent pictures. As a collector of spinning wheels it has been a helpful tool.

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