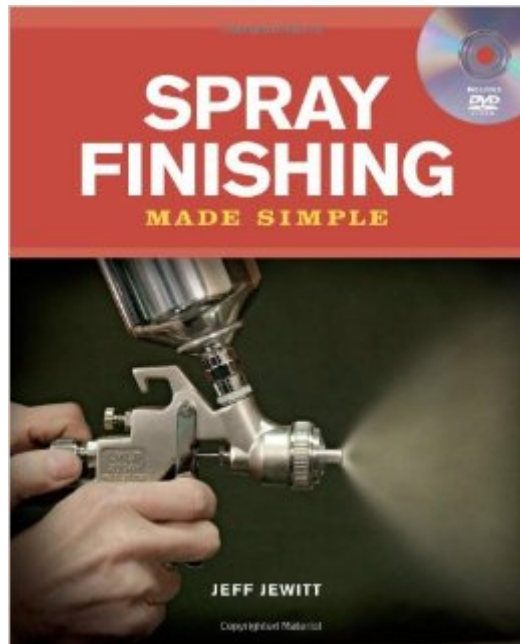


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Synopsis

Woodworking finishes can make a good project great. Spray Finishing offers professional results far superior to brushing or other hand-applied methods. Now that home woodworkers have access to the specialized tools and finishing products that were once used only by professional finishers, all they need is direction. Enter Jeff Jewitt, a well-known authority on finishing who combines his vast knowledge of the subject with the latest technology to produce this integrated book and DVD set, the first in Taunton's "Woodworking Made Simple" series. Jewitt explains how to choose equipment and demystifies the spray-finishing process. Through this unique multimedia approach, which includes detailed step-by-step instructions, photos, and how-to video, readers learn where to safely spray finishes and how to troubleshoot and solve spray-finishing problems. Both the book and DVD cover a variety of spray systems, solvents, and waterborne finishing products.

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Customer Reviews

This DVD and book rank way up on the list of my many books on finishing. Personally, I wouldn't consider it a reference for finishing. However, an excellent source for those who have simply never sprayed before or who like me, don't spray the same material day to day and need a quick refresher course from time to time. The book and the DVD go into just enough detail on gun types and spray systems (turbine/compressor), how to thin and spray, as well as the general N/N (needle/nozzle)

setups for each of the 5 likely products a woodworker would run into; solvent, waterborne, dyes, stains and enamels (paint). The book goes into how to set up and construct a temporary spray booth for both solvent and waterborne. Clean up, safety and environmental concerns are not an over thought but shown in a responsible yet reasonable manner. The DVD is well thought out and scripted with decent sound, NOT too dull, matching the book in content and shows the basic techniques for spraying. I did think the author could have mentioned one problem that I had...matching your fluid delivery with the speed in which you spray. Though I guess Jeff demonstrates proper speed in the DVD by example. It should be noted that conventional spray guns and pots, as well as exploiting the benefits of different solvents are not covered. Both are advanced topics that the amateur probably doesn't run into anyhow. To be totally critical I do have an issue with the title. As most "made easy" books fall into two categories "Made easy if you have a ton of money/skill etc" or "Made easy if you really don't care your project looks like crap." This book doesn't fall into either category. Overall great buy, highly recommended.

4 1/2 stars almost perfect. I bought this book for my brother so I had to look at it. Generally excellent and I got a good tip to spray vertical surfaces from the top not the bottom. Works much better as you can blend in any drips or runs as you spray. I had always been taught to spray bottom up. I didn't look at the DVD but my brother liked it a lot. Why not 5 stars? A couple minor picky nits. Water may be a thinner for waterborne or not! Waterbornes are complex emulsions like oil and vinegar dressing. Adding too much water may have two adverse effects; first it can cause the emulsion to separate, second it isn't a thinner for the finish carried by the water. In the later case as the water evaporates the droplets of finish that it carries may not mix correctly to make a finish. In either case you are out a can of very expensive finish and possibly have a nasty cleanup ahead of you. Another nit is that he gives shellac rather short shrift and as a result gives confusing instructions. He seems to assume that everyone will pretty much use Zinster premixed when most folks mix their own. Not horrid but misleading and a bit incomplete. This is not a definitive work on all spray finishes; but it does a excellent job of covering all those likely to be encountered in wood working. Overall, while it will not teach the experienced finisher much it is a great book for the occasional or beginner sprayer and a nice reference for unfamiliar finishes.

The book is written well, and I liked the video, but the author should have included something about thinning different finishes for spraying. He barely touches the subject, where recommendations on each finish should have been included, (type of thinner, and drip rate for each), including the use of

the viscosity cup. If you are looking for this, not much is included.

I purchase a lot of woodworking, finishing, and DIY books and DVD's. This set is possibly the best of all that I have used. Clear, concise, excellent introduction to spraying. I have finished and refinished quite a bit of furniture. But I don't have a whole lot of experience with spraying. I needed to refinish a dining table and six chairs. The set was natural wood finish combined with paint. I needed to spray a shellac based primer, water based alkyd emulsion, and oil based clear finish. I watched the DVD, perused the book, went to Harbor Freight and bought the types of sprayers Mr. Jewitt recommended, completed the project with no hitches and results that even impressed me. Just the tip from my very happy customer paid for Jeff's book. Just an excellent book and DVD.

This is a simple and concise instruction manual that covers the majority of finishes that you will encounter. The DVD is a nice add as it is helpful to see the concepts in action. I have already referred back to the book when spraying a different finish.

I bought this book to better learn how to spray the wood finishes I use (zinsser sealcoat (dewaxed shellac), crystalac super premium and createx wicked colors). The book is very clearly written, in good order and with lots of helpful charts for the various finishes and things like needle/nozzle combinations. It also covers the basics for most finishes a typical woodworker would use. There are plenty of clear, color photos to compliment the text. The dvd is equally excellent. It's worded to the point where complete novices will be able to walk away with a good understanding of where to spray, how to spray, what the different types of spray guns are which spraying system to use, etc. The video is masterfully shot and you can clearly see what's going on every second of the video and the sound is perfect. At the price it is, this book and dvd set is a total bargain and worth every penny. I've watched the dvd 10 times or more and will probably watch it another 20. There's just that much information in it. Also note that Jeff Jewitt sells a line of spray equipment (QualSpray) and the quality is excellent, and Jeff is a great guy to talk to as well. Just call him up with your needs and he'll steer you in the right direction. I bought a QS-125WB with an extra bigger cup and you can really tell the difference between the QualSpray and the cheap HF or other china guns. Buy with confidence!

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