

COUNTRY CRAFTS of ENGLAND,

A Select Bibliography.

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INTRODUCTION.

Having acquired about a dozen books about country crafts in my library, I decided to make a list of the many crafts covered and index them to each book. So for example to look into "Chair Bodging" one would know where to look without scanning the index of every book.

This led me to look at the bibliographies in the books I had (those that had one). A number of new titles that I had not got came to light. A quick visit to www.abebooks.co.uk (see appendix 4) produced another half dozen "must haves" which I ordered. The bibliographies in these led to a few more! George Nicolle's excellent *Bibliography of the Woodworking Trades* (1993) produced several more. I now have thirty seven titles which seems to cover most published since the war, the majority from the 1940's to the 1980's. There are also a few earlier ones included.

This expanded my list considerably, and I decided to create a bibliography of my own. Some of these titles are mentioned in Nicolle and I have given his reference number where applicable.

I have kept to country crafts and not covered town based industries such as fashion, clothing, glove and hat making, cabinet making, silver- and gold smiths, musical instruments, clock making, stained glass, book binding, etc. although some of these books do refer to them. The building trades would also require a much larger and separate work. I have identified sixty five crafts in all.

This sort of exercise cannot be exhaustive, and I have not indexed a relevant word or sentence in a chapter about something else. Only those entries with several paragraphs or pages on the subject are included, and I've probably missed a few!

The books included cover a range of crafts so books on a single subject such as George Sturt, *The Wheelwrights Shop* or Mary Butcher, *Willow Work* are not included.

Four books stand out as comprehensively covering a wide range of crafts and their tools with excellent illustrations. These are J. G. Jenkins, *Traditional Country Craftsmen* (7), John Seymour, *The Forgotten Arts* (13), James Arnold, *The Countryman's Workshop* (5), and *The Shell Book of Country Crafts* (6).

For social history I would pick Walter Rose, *The Village Carpenter* (22) and Freda Derrick, *Country Craftsmen* (19).

Percy Blandford, *Country Craft Tools* (1) covers a wide range of tools albeit rather basically, but it is a good book to start with.

I have not included TATHS Journals or Newsletters as these are already well indexed.

Notes:

Sizes: are in millimetres and are approximate. Height x width.

Published date: ** after the date is the edition referred to.

Plates: refers mainly to photos.

Figs: refers mainly to line drawings, wood blocks etc, whether included in the text or on a page of their own.

Where I have found the book in the TATHS library, the accession number is given.

INDEX of TITLES.

With abbreviations used in Trades & Crafts Index.

With reference numbers used in the Bibliography.

Author	Abbreviation	Ref. no	Full Title
ARNOLD	AMH	4	All Made by Hand
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BRILL	---	11	Cotswold Crafts
BLANDFORD	---	1	Country Craft Tools
HOGG	---	2	Country Crafts and Craftsmen
DERRICK	CC	19	Country Craftsmen
MASSINGHAM	Mass	31	Country Relics
HENNELL	---	14	Countryman at Work, The
HARTLEY	CE	33	Countryman's England, The
ARNOLD	CW	5	Countryman's Workshop, The
JENKINS	CI	17	Craft Industries, The
<i>None given</i>	CTofY	34	Craft Tools of Yesterday
JONES, J.L.	---	28	Crafts from the Countryside
STOWE	---	18	Crafts of the Countryside
NORWOOD	---	29	Craftsmen at Work
WYMER	ECC	15	English Country Crafts
WYMER	ETC	16	English Town Crafts
FARLEIGH, <i>Editor</i>	---	21	Fifteen Craftsmen
SEYMOUR	---	13	Forgotten Arts, The
SEYMOUR	FHC	36	Forgotten Household Crafts
<i>Diagram Group</i>	HTAC	37	Hand Tools of Arts and Crafts
JOBSON	---	20	Household and Country Crafts
HARTLEY	LE	9	Land of England, The
HUGHES	---	24	Living Crafts
HARTLEY	ME	3	Made in England
HARVEY	---	12	Medieval Craftsmen
WOODS	---	10	Rural Crafts of England
ARNOLD	SHELL	6	Shell Book of Country Crafts
HORSLEY	---	27	Tools of the Maritime Trades
YOUNG, <i>Forward</i>	TrBrCrafts	32	Traditional British Crafts
JENKINS	TCC	7	Traditional Country Craftsmen
READERS DIGEST	RD	23	Traditional Crafts in Britain
TABOR	---	35	Traditional Woodland Crafts
DERRICK	ATC	26	Trinity of Craftsmen, A
ROSE	---	22	Village Carpenter, The
SEAGER, <i>Editor</i>	---	25	Village Trades & Crafts, "The Countryman"
EDLIN	---	8	Woodland Crafts in Britain

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No	TRADE/CRAFT	Refer to -
1	Bagpipe maker	Arnold SHELL p312; Hartley LE p229;
2	Basket-maker Willow, Rush & others	Arnold AMH p65; Arnold SHELL p256; Arnold CW p55; Brill p116; CTofY p3-4; Edlin p106-113; Hartley CE p64, 70, 82-3,25; Hartley LE p213-6; Hartley ME p88-9; Hennell p17-21; Hill p165-79; Hogg p13-7, 52-6, 66-9; Horsley p258-63; Hughes p105-11; HTAC p258-63; Jenkins TCC p37-46; Jenkins CI p1-13; Jobson p172-7; Jones p71-88; Mass p179-98; Norwood p1-24, 177-80; RD p12-5; Seager p155-6; Seymour p155-63; TrBrCrafts p122-6, 262-5; Woods p157-66; Wymer ECC p71-5, 103-4;
3	Bell Foundry	Brill p132; RD p16-9; Wymer ETC p28-31;
4	Besom Broom	Arnold AMH p26; Arnold SHELL p96; Arnold CW p95; Hartley LE p337 ; Hartley ME p77-82; Hill p40-8; Jenkins TCC p76-82; Jobson p168-71; Norwood p150-4; RD p40-1; Seager p160-3; Tabor p113-121; Woods p122-4; Wymer ECC p63-4;
5	Blacksmith	Arnold AMH p35; Arnold SHELL p144; Arnold CW p15; Brill p123/138; CTofY p14-16; Derrick CC p77-104; Derrick ATC p98-115; Farleigh p69-72; Hartley CE p13; Hartley LE p250-1; Hartley ME p141-7; Hennell p23-6, 45-8; Hill p135-47; Horsley p240-53; Jenkins TCC p122-33; Jobson p 133-9; Norwood p25-32; RD p20-5; Seager p111-3,148-50; TrBrCrafts p234-9; Woods p26-43; Wymer ECC p38-42;
	Boat-builder	<i>See under Shipwright.</i>
6	Boot & Shoe maker / . Cobbler	Brill p160; Jenkins TCC p214-20; Jenkins CI p80-3; Jobson p140-5; Seymour p130-1; Woods p89-91; Wymer ECC p70-1;
7	Bow & Arrow	Arnold AMH p86; Arnold SHELL p216; Hughes p112-21; Norwood p73-7; RD p34-7; Wymer ETC p111-3;
8	Briar Pipes	Arnold SHELL p337;
9	Brick-maker	CTofY p21-2; Hartley ME p165-71; Hill p222-32; Jenkins TCC p149-56; Norwood p143-9; Seymour p148-50;
10	Candle-maker	Hartley LE p144-5,333; HTAC p115; RD p44-5; Seymour p184-5; Seymour FHC p123;
11	Carpenter	Arnold AMH p41; Arnold SHELL p111; Arnold CW p115; Brill p97; CTofY p 7-9; Hill p122-22; HTAC p140-161; Mass p64-71;
12	Chair Bodger	Arnold AMH p19; Arnold SHELL p122; Edlin p33; Hartley CE p98-100; Hogg p81-6; Jenkins TCC p10-8; Jenkins CI p85-8; Jobson p178-82; Mass. p52-8; Seymour p33-4; TrBrCrafts p172-5; Wymer ETC p65-6;
13	Chair-maker	Arnold AMH p52; Arnold SHELL p126; Arnold CW p35; Edlin p151-2; Hennell p73-6; Hill p85-98; Hogg p82-6, 93-4, 137-142; Jenkins TCC p113-21; Jenkins CI p84-92; Norwood p123-9; RD p68-71; Seager p140-4; Seymour p65-6;
14	Charcoal Burner	Arnold AMH p16; Arnold SHELL p106; Hartley CE p94-5;

		Hartley LE p213; Hartley ME p45-9; Hughes p122-8; Jenkins TCC p32-5; RD p46-7; Seymour p36-7; Tabor p112,150,156; Woods p138-40; Wymer ECC p59-61;
15	Clogger, Clog-maker	Arnold AMH p26; Arnold SHELL p104; CToFY p23-4; Edlin p24,42,104; Hartley ME p43-5; Hill p58-67; Hogg p90-1; Jenkins TCC p18-21; Jenkins TCC p220-1; Jenkins CI p74-80; RD p56-7; Seymour p132-3; Wymer ECC p57-9;
16	Cobbler	<i>See under Shoe-maker.</i>
17	Cooper	Arnold AMH p89; Arnold SHELL p288; CToFY p29-30; Edlin p30,150; Hartley LE p209-10; Hennell p31-5; Hill p99-111; Hogg p46-52, 72-4; Horsley p263-76; Hughes p98-104; JenkinsTCC p82-96; Jobson p108-12; Norwood p155-61; RD p60-3; Seymour p86-95; TrBrCrafts p94-9; Wymer ECC p78-9
18	Coracle maker	Arnold AMH p119; Arnold SHELL p222; Edlin p142; Hartley LE p205; Hogg p69-72; Jenkins TCC p96-100; RD p64-5; Seager p157-60; Seymour p113; TrBrCrafts p290-3; Wymer ECC p100;
19	Corn Dollies	Arnold AMH p122; Arnold SHELL p276; Hogg p125-7; RD p66-7;
20	Currier	Jenkins TCC p197-201; Jenkins CI p69-73; Seymour p120-1;
21	Dry Stone Walls	Arnold AMH p113; Arnold SHELL p249; Brill p45; Jenkins TCC p169-71; Mass p34-41; RD p80-1; Seager p89-93; TrBrCrafts p100-5;
22	Dying	Hartley LE p137-141; Hartley ME p224-5; Seymour p54-7; Seymour FHC p96; TrBrCrafts p212-7;
23	Farrier	Arnold SHELL p135; Brill p143; CToFY p14-16; Hartley ME p147-54; Jenkins TCC p133-6; Norwood p78-84; RD p20-5; Seager p105-11; Seymour p74-77; TrBrCrafts p240-5; Woods p26-32;
24	Flint Knapping	Arnold AMH p94; Arnold SHELL p282; RD p88-9; TrBrCrafts p148-53; Wymer ECC p111-2;
25	Handle maker	Edlin p30-2,104; Hogg p86-8, 95-6, 102-8, 110-4; Seymour p26; Tabor p109; Woods p113
26	Hedge Laying	Arnold AMH p111; Arnold SHELL p243; CToFY p30-2; Hennell p65-7; Hill p233-43; Mass. P45-51; RD p116-7; Seymour p53; TrBrCrafts p106-9
27	Hoop-maker	Hogg p72-4; Jenkins TCC p36-42; Seymour p27; Tabor p106; Wymer ECC p64-5;
28	Hop Poles	Hartley ME p31-2;
29	Horn work	Arnold SHELL p272; Hartley LE p324; Hill p157-64;
30	Horse-Hair	Hartley LE p253-4; Wymer ETC p72-4;
31	Hurdle and Gate maker	Arnold AMH p23; Arnold SHELL p87; Arnold CW p75; ; Derrick ATC p 82-93; Hartley ME p102-5; Hennell p42-3; Hill p49-57; Hogg p38-40, 59-63; Jenkins TCC p21-6, 72-6; Jobson p152-63; Norwood p165-70; Rose p60-76; Seymour p18-21, 140-1; Tabor p122-145; Woods p108-110, 117-22; Wymer ECC p53-7;
	Knitter	<i>See under Wool-worker</i>

32	Lace & Quilt	Arnold AMH p125; Arnold SHELL p299/307; Wymer ECC p82-6;
33	Ladder maker	Edlin p97,148; Hennell p57-9; Hogg p44-6, 100-2; Rose p20 <i>photo</i> Seymour p28-9; Woods p129-32; Wymer ECC p76-7;
34	Millwright	Arnold AMH p104; Arnold SHELL p169; Brill p105; CToFY p7-9; Derrick ATC p71-81; Hennell p61-4; ; Jobson p102-7; RD p138-41; Rose p104-20; Seager p97-102; Seymour p136-8; Woods p57-77
35	Nail maker	Jenkins CI p110-2;
36	Peat Cutter	CToFY p32; Hartley CE p24-6, 85-6, 9; Jobson p84; Seymour p62-3, 164; TrBrCrafts p138-41;
37	Potter	Arnold AMH p57; Arnold SHELL p230; Arnold CW p105; Farleigh p44-51; Hartley LE p329; Hartley ME p172-5; HTAC p86-102; Hennell p37-41; Hill p222-32; Jenkins TCC p156-9; Jenkins CI p40-7; Norwood p135-142; RD p154-9; Seager p133-5; Seymour p142-7; TrBrCrafts p176-81; Woods p227-40; Wymer ECC p21-6; Wymer ETC p50;
38	Pump & Pipe maker	Edlin p56,126; Hartley LE p237-8; Hogg p135-6; Horsley p230-2; Rose p77-93; Seymour p61;
39	Quilt maker	Arnold SHELL p307-11; Arnold AMH p125-8;
40	Rake-maker	Arnold AMH p26; Arnold SHELL p91; Arnold CW p85; Edlin p31; Hill p40-8; Hogg p108-9; Jenkins TCC p63-72; Norwood p171-6; RD p160-1; Seymour p22-3; Woods p113-7; Wymer ECC p77-8;
41	Rope maker	Hartley LE p155; Hartley ME p76; Hennell p53-6; Hill p211-21; Horsley p192-218; Hughes p79-89; Jenkins TCC p184-9; Jenkins CI p14-24; Jobson p196-201; RD p162-3; Seymour p116-7; TrBrCrafts p306-11; Woods p92-101; Wymer ECC p101-3;
42	Saddler and Harness maker	Arnold AMH p78; Arnold SHELL p263; Arnold CW p25; Brill p152-6; CToFY p12-14; Edlin p37,55; Hartley CE p3; Hartley ME p192; Hill p148-56; Hogg p93-4; HTAC p296-307; Jenkins TCC p201-14; Norwood p96-103; RD p164-7; Seager p166-7; Seymour p122-8; TrBrCrafts p252-7; Woods p82-9; Wymer ECC p46-8;
43	Sail-maker	Norwood p104-114; RD p168-71; Seymour p114-5; TrBrCrafts p312-7;
44	Sawyer	Arnold SHELL p82; Edlin p15; Hartley LE p206, 209; Hennell p27-9; Horsley p74-97; Mass p59-63; Seager p102-5;
45	Scythe smith	Seymour p26, 74;
46	Shingles	Arnold SHELL p100;
47	Shipwright, Boat-builder	Edlin p142-6; Hogg p36-7, 136; Jenkins CI p54-9; Norwood p33-40; RD p26-9; Seymour p106-12; TrBrCrafts p294-9; Wymer ECC p98-100; Wymer ETC p96-100
48	Shoe maker	CToFY p25-6; Seager p167-70;
49	Soap Boiler	Hughes p183-92; Seymour FHC p88;
50	Spinner	Hartley ME p221-3; Farleigh p73-81; HTAC p248-9; Jobson p121-6; Farleigh p73-81; Hill p200-10; Seymour p167-8, 172, 174-9; Seymour FHC p144; Wymer ECC p27-31;
51	Spoon Carver	Edlin p78; Hartley LE p211; Hartley ME p22, 206;

		Jenkins TCC p60-3; Seymour p97;
52	Stone Carvers	Brill p51;
53	Stone Mason	Brill p26; Derrick ATC p21-30; HTAC p126-31; Jenkins TCC p159-69; Mass. P16-44; Norwood p41-7 TrBrCrafts p142-7;
54	Straw:- rope, hives, bee skeps.	CTofY p32; Hartley CE p25; Hartley LE p165-7; Hartley LE p194-5; Hogg p127-9; Jenkins TCC p144-8; Jenkins CI p25-33; Jones p7-12; Seymour p164-5; Wymer ECC p88-90;
55	Tanner	Hartley LE p254-6; Jenkins TCC p189-97; Jenkins CI p60-9; RD p194-7; Seymour p120-1; Woods p78-81; TrBrCrafts p70-5; Wymer ECC p68-70; Wymer ETC p76-7;
56	Thatcher	Arnold AMH p99; Arnold SHELL p181; Arnold CW p135; CTofY p5-6; Derrick CC p105-118; Hartley CE p83-5, 91, 29-30; Hartley LE p218; Hartley ME p50-71; Hennell p69-71; Hill p190-9; Jenkins TCC p35-6; Jenkins TCC p136-44; Jobson p164-7; Mass.p1-15; Norwood p181-5; RD p200-3; Jones p13-21; Norwood p56-64; Seager p67-79; Seymour p46-50; Tabor p95-102; TrBrCrafts p154-9; Woods p192-205; Wymer ETC p49-52;
57	Tinker	Hartley ME p158-162; Seymour p75;
58	Tree Conversion	Arnold CW p74-87; Edlin p5-15;
59	Trugger, Spelk & Spale basket-maker	Arnold CW p125; Edlin p113; Hartley ME p36-9; Hogg p23-9, 52-6; Jenkins TCC p47-50; RD p204-5; Seymour p38-9; Woods p140-2; Wymer ECC p75-6;
60	Walking Stick maker	Arnold SHELL p91; Edlin p49,66; Hartley ME p30; Hill p33-9; Hogg p110-5; RD p210-1; Seymour p139; Tabor p110; TrBrCrafts p127-31; Wymer ECC p61-3;
61	Weaver	Arnold AMH p61; Arnold SHELL p203; Arnold CW p45; Brill p163; Farleigh p73-81; Hartley LE p135-8; Hill p200-10; HTAC p250-5; Jobson p121-6; Jones p22-6 & 48-54; Seymour p167-82; Seymour FHC p149; TrBrCrafts p206-11 Wymer ECC p27-31; Wymer ETC p69-71;
62	Wheelwright, Wagon & Coachbuilder.	Arnold SHELL p149; Arnold CW p145 Brill p101; CTofY p27-9; Derrick CC p62-76; Edlin p140-1; Hartley LE p181, Hennell p49-52; Hill p123-34; Hogg p99-100, 133-4; Jenkins TCC p100-113; Jobson p146-51; Norwood p186-92; RD p58-9, 212--7; Seager p144-8 Seymour p78-85; TrBrCrafts p246-51; Woods p44-56; Wymer ECC p42-6; Wymer ETC p92-6;
63	Wood Carver	Arnold AMH p71; Arnold SHELL p190; Brill p85; Edlin p21,36,78; Hill p76-84 ; HTAC p132-6, 168-9; RD p220-3; Seager p138-40;
64	Wood Turner	Arnold AMH p75; Arnold SHELL p197; Arnold CW p65; Brill p116; Edlin p17-20,34; Hartley LE p210; Hill p68-75; Hughes p90-7; HTAC p170-2; Jenkins TCC p53-60; Norwood p65-72; RD p220-3; Seymour p96-7
65	Wool-worker, Knitter	CTofY p18-21; Hartley CE p18-9; HTAC p264-71; Jenkins TCC p176-84; Seymour p172-5; TrBrCrafts p52-7;

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- 1 Title Country Craft Tools Author Percy W. Blandford**
- ISBN 10; 0 7153 6487 1 Taths ----
- Date 1974 ** Publisher David & Charles, Newton Abbot, Devon hb
- Pages 240 Size 220 x 153 Plates 30 Figs 41
- Brief Review.* Comprehensive but fairly basic descriptions laid out by the tools used. Chapters cover Axes, Hammers, Knives (includes chisels), Saws, Planes, Making Holes, Holding, Measuring, Turning, Engineering, Agricultural, Fabric and fibrous, other tools. Lots of simple line drawings of tools by the author. I wish I had this book when I first joined Taths and was thirsting for basic knowledge.
- 2 Title Country Crafts and Craftsmen Author Gary Hogg**
- ISBN Not found Taths ----
- Date 1959 ** Publisher Hutchinson, London hb
- Pages 152 Size 220 x 147 Plates none Figs 45
- Brief Review.* Good descriptions of many tradesmen and their crafts, set out by the materials used (mainly wood). Chapters cover Willow, Oak, Hazel, Beech, Ash, Straw, Elm. Line drawings by Kathleen Dance show some tools.
- 3 Title Made in England Author Dorothy Hartley**
- ISBN 10; 0 7126 1705 7 Taths ----
- Date 1939 Publisher Methuen & Co. hb
- Date 1987 ** Publisher Century Hutchinson for National Trust pb
- Pages XIV + 255 Size 218 x 136 Plates none Figs many
- Brief Review.* A guide to many country skills covering Wood, Straw, Reed, Willow, Stone, Metal, Bricks and Pottery, Leather and Horn, Wool and Feathers.
- 4 Title All Made by Hand Author James Arnold**
- ISBN 10; 212 98381 4 Taths ----
- Date 1970 ** Publisher John Baker, London SW1 hb
- Pages 135 Size 255 x 196 Plates none Figs 67
- Brief Review.* Well known author and illustrator (Farm Wagons of England and Wales) here covers many trades and crafts by their location. Woodland or Workshop based, Site and Home Industries are covered with excellent illustrations of workshops and tools.
- 5 Title The Countryman's Workshop Author James Arnold**
- ISBN # 10; 0715812262, 13; 9780715812266 Taths 2108
- Date 1953 ** Publisher Phoenix House, London, first edition hb
- Date 1977 # Publisher E P Publishing, facsimile edition hb
- Pages 164 Size 191 x 127 Plates none Figs 42
- Brief Review.* Covers fourteen trades from Basket-maker to Wheelwright with the author's excellent line drawings of the tools, workshops and products made.

6 Title **The Shell Book of Country Crafts** *Author* **James Arnold**

SBN # 10; 0212998218 13; 9780212998210 *Taths* ----

Date 1968 ** *Publisher* John Baker, London, for Shell-Mex B.P. *hb*

Date 1970/1974# *Publisher* John Baker, London, for Shell-Mex B.P. *hb*

Pages XIV + 372 *Size* 208 x 135 *Plates* 12 colour, 64 b & w *Figs* 53

Brief Review. Covers thirty eight crafts and trades including the unusual, Coracles, Horn-work, Flint-knapping, Bagpipes and Briar pipes. Best for the numerous photographs and line drawings. Many tools illustrated.

7 Title **Traditional Country Craftsmen**

Author **Dr. J. Geraint Jenkins**, Drawings by Winifred Mumford

ISBN 10; 0710087268 13; 9780710087263 available on kindle *Taths* ----

Date 1965 ** *Publisher* Routledge & Keegan Paul, London *hb*

Date 2013 *Publisher* Amberley Publishing – Electronic ed. *pb*

Pages XIX + 236 *Size* 221 x 148 *Plates* 185 *Figs* 54

Brief Review. Prolific Welsh author covering Maritime, including Coracles, Woollen and Rural industries. Sometime Curator at MERL, Welsh Maritime Museum and St. Fagans. Comprehensive and well researched, covering Woodland and Village crafts, Metal and Straw, Stone and Clay, Textile and Leather. *See also Nicolle 19.11*

8 Title **Woodland Crafts in Britain** *Author* **H. L. Edlin**

ISBN # 10; 0715358529 13; 9780715358528 *Taths* ----

Date 1949 ** *Publisher* B. T. Batsford Ltd, London, first edition *hb*

Date 1973 # *Publisher* David & Charles *hb*

Date 1974 *Publisher* Country Book Club *hb*

Pages X + 182 *Size* 223 x 150 *Plates* 159 *Figs* none

Brief Review. Written by a Forester with emphasis on the timber and trees used in crafts. Noted for the excellent range of black and white photos of actual craftsmen at work. One of the best on the subject. (see also "What wood is that?" 1969) *See also Nicolle 19.8*

9 Title **The Land of England** *Author* **Dorothy Hartley**

ISBN # 13; 9780354043816 *Taths* ----

Date 1980 *Publisher* Macdonald & Janes *hb*

Date 1979 ** # *Publisher* Book Club Associates *hb*

Pages X + 374 *Size* 238 x 163 *Plates* 20 *Figs* many

Brief Review. A social history of rural life month by month from medieval times, with many quotations, poems and anecdotes. A good read.

- 10 Title Rural Crafts of England Author K. S. Woods**
- ISBN* # 10; 0 7 158 1075 8 13; 9780715810750 *Taths* 2416
- Date* 1949 *Publisher* George G. Harrap & Co *hb*
- Date* 1975 ** # *Publisher* E P Publishing / British Book Centre Inc. *hb*
- Pages* 267 *Size* 225 x 146 *Plates and Figs.* 166
- Brief Review.* Basic coverage of many trades, both utilitarian and artistic from Village and Woodland, Building (brick, plaster and thatching), and Pottery. Many good contemporary photos and illustrations. *See also Nicolle 19.9*
- 11 Title Cotswold Crafts Author Edith Brill**
- ISBN* # 13; 9780713402919 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1977 *Publisher* B T Batsford Ltd. *hb*
- Date* 1977 ** # *Publisher* Readers Union, Newton Abbot, Devon *hb*
- Pages* 184 *Size* 220 x 140 *Plates* 24 *Figs* 5
- Brief Review.* Regional study covering the history of Stone (quarrying, masonry, carving, walling), Timber (Carpenter, Wheelwright, Pole Lathe, Basket making), Metals (Memorial Brasses, Bell Founding, Blacksmith), Leather and Wool.
- 12 Title Medieval Craftsmen Author John Harvey**
- ISBN* 10; 0 7134 2924 8 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1975 ** *Publisher* B T Batsford Ltd, London & Sydney *hb*
- Pages* VII + 231 *Size* 223 x 145 *Plates* 159 *Figs* 8
- Brief Review.* A scholarly study from records of Artisans, their guilds, training, shops, materials and methods. The working conditions of Carpenters, Masons, Smiths and Painters. *See also Nicolle 2.15*
- 13 Title The Forgotten Arts Author John Seymour**
- ISBN* 10; 0 86318 052 3 *Taths* 3605
- Date* 1984 ** *Publisher* Dorling Kindersley for National Trust *hb*
- Pages* 192 *Size* 290 x 220 *Plates* many *Figs* many
- Brief Review.* Covering the crafts of the Woodland, Building, Field, Workshop, Textiles and Home; sixty one in all, briefly described and profusely illustrated with drawings and photos. The author has farmed in England, Wales and Africa, taught self sufficiency, written books, and can perform many of these crafts himself. *See also Nicolle 19.13*
- 14 Title The Countryman at Work Author Thomas Hennell**
- ISBN* *Not found* *Taths* 2104
- Date* 1947 ** *Publisher* Architectural Press *hb*
- Pages* 80 *Size* 290 x 230 *Plates* 1 *Figs* 50
- Brief Review.* The artist and illustrator Thomas Hennell has used his drawings as a basis for describing fifteen trades, mainly from personal visits in his home county of Kent. Sadly he was murdered in 1945 by terrorists in Java at the age of forty two. *See also Nicolle 19.6*

- 15 Title English Country Crafts, Author Norman Wymer**
- ISBN* Not found *Taths* 2158
- Date* 1946 ** *Publisher* B T Batsford, London *hb*
- Pages* XII + 116 *Size* 220 x 135 *Plates* 65 *Figs* 2
- Brief Review.* Brief descriptions of history and development of many trades, but little about the actual processes or tools used. Best for the many black and white photos of tradesmen at work
See also Nicolle 19.4
- 16 Title English Town Crafts, Author Norman Wymer**
- ISBN* # 10; 0 7158 1130 4 *Taths* 2162
- Date* 1949 ** *Publisher* B T Batsford, Ltd London *hb*
- Date* 1975 # *Publisher* E P Publishing, Wakefield. reprint *hb*
- Pages* VIII + 128 *Size* 220 x 140 *Plates* 65 *Figs*
- Brief Review.* Brief descriptions of history and development of many trades of the town. Clock-maker to silver smith, musical instruments to sporting equipment. A few are relevant to this bibliography. Many excellent photos of workers at their benches.
- 17 Title The Craft Industries Author Dr. J. Geraint Jenkins**
- ISBN* # 10; 0 582 12796 3 *Taths* ---
- Date* 1972 ** # *Publisher* Longman *hb*
- Date* 1972 *Publisher* Prentice Hall Press *hb*
- Pages* XXII + 128 *Size* 220 x 135 *Plates* 16 *Figs* 8
- Brief Review.* Thirteen industries covered including trug-making, boatbuilding, chair-making, clog-making.
See also Nicolle 18.3
- 18 Title Crafts of the Countryside Author E. J. Stowe**
- ISBN* # 10; 0854098879 13; 9780854098873 *Taths* ---
- Date* 1948 ** *Publisher* Longmans, Green and Co. *hb*
- Date* 1973 # *Publisher* E P Publishing facsimile edition.
- Pages* 128 *size* 223 x 145 *Plates* 54 *Figs* 28
- Brief Review.* Fourteen trades are described with some description of the processes and tools with line drawings. A good range of black and white photos of craftsmen at work. There is a useful glossary of terms and tools at the end.
- 19 Title Country Craftsmen Author Freda Derrick**
- ISBN* Not found *Taths* ---
- Date* 1945 ** *Publisher* Chapman and Hall *hb*
- Date* 1947 *Publisher* Chapman and Hall reprint *hb*
- Pages* 138 *size* 224 x 148 *Plates* none *Figs* 49
- Brief Review.* Covers Builder, Carpenter, Furniture Maker, Wheelwright, Smith and Thatcher. A very personal account of local tradesmen mainly in Somerset and the Cotswolds before the war with delightful and observant drawings by the author.

- 20 Title Household and Country Crafts Author Alan Jobson**
- ISBN # 13; 9781446504550 Taths 3550
- Date 1953 ** Publisher Elek Books Ltd hb
- Date 1970 Publisher Cedric Chivers Ltd. Bath hb
- Date 2000 # Publisher Brown Press, U.S.A. hb
- Pages 206 size 220 x 140 Plates Figs 100
- Brief Review.* The first part covers domestic skills, brewing and baking, dairy and laundry. The second part covers the Miller, Blacksmith, Shoemaker, Wheelwright, Hurdle-maker, Beesom brooms, Thatching, Roper, Bodger and Basket-maker. Good black & white plates showing tools and workshops. See also Nicolle. 19.10
- 21 Title Fifteen Craftsmen on their Crafts Author John Farleigh Editor**
- ISBN # 13; 9781446511923 Taths ----
- Date 1945 ** Publisher Sylvan Press hb
- Date 2010 # Publisher Jennings Press U.S.A. hb
- Pages VIII + 118 size 225 x 148 Plates 15 Figs none
- Brief Review.* Fifteen mainly artistic crafts, but including Pottery, Blacksmith, Spinning and Weaving, written by eminent practitioners of the day.
- 22 Title The Village Carpenter Author Walter Rose**
- ISBN # 10; 0 85409 836 4 ## 13; 9780713629194 ### 13; Taths 2565/6
9780854420650 ##### 13; 9780941533188
- Date 1937 Publisher Cambridge University Press hb
- Date 1938-52 Publisher Cambridge University Press, reprint hb
- Date 1973 ** # Publisher E P Publishing, from 1946 reprint hb
- Date 1987 ## Publisher A & C Black Publishers) Ltd., London hb
- Date 1995 ### Publisher Stobart Davies
- Date 1998 ##### Publisher New Amsterdam Books U.S.A.
- Pages XXVII + 146 size 223 x 142 Plates 31 Figs 11
- Brief Review.* A classic work describing the author's family business in the late 19th C. Sourcing and converting timber and the methods and folklore of the workshop are brilliantly captured. Crafts covered include undertaking, mill-work, fences and gates, pumps and building carpentry and joinery. See also Nicolle 2.10
- 23 Title Traditional Crafts in Britain Author Various, Readers Digest**
- ISBN 10; 0340285486 13; 9780340285480 Taths 2542
- Date 1982 Publisher Readers Digest hb
- Pages 312 size 311 x 236 Plates many Figs many
- Brief Review.* Brief descriptions of 67 crafts covering beverages, country and town, sport, musical instrument, building. Many illustrations, large format. A lot of information well presented. Good tool illustrations. The second part is a regional guide to museums and craft workshops, now rather out of date. See also Nicolle 18.8

- 24 Title** **Living Crafts** *Author* **G. Bernard Hughes**
- ISBN* *Not found* *Taths* ----
- Date* 1953 *Publisher* Lutterworth Press, London *hb*
- Pages* 192 *size* 206 x 143 *Plates* 53 *Figs* 19
- Brief Review.* Some more unusual trades, Wire-worker, Horner, Firework maker and Soap-boiler are represented. Brief descriptions of some 20 trades, both town and country are covered. Good b/w photos. *See also Nicolle 18.2*
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- 25 Title** **“The Countryman”
Book of Village Trades and Crafts** *Author* **E. Seager, Editor**
- ISBN* 10; 0 7153 7493 1 *Taths* 2105
- Date* 1978 *Publisher* David and Charles *hb*
- Pages* 176 *size* 226 x 142 *Plates* 27 *Figs* 20
- Brief Review.* A compilation of short essays from the Countryman between 1929 and 1977. many covering rural crafts. These are stories about individual craftsmen and characters, rather than the methods of their trades. A good read for students of social history.
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- 26 Title** **A Trinity of Craftsmen** *Author* **Freda Derrick**
- ISBN* *Not found* *Taths* 2551
- Date* 1950 *Publisher* Chapman & Hall *hb*
- Pages* 126 *size* 224 x 148 *Plates* none *Figs* 41
- Brief Review.* Concerns the Stone Mason, Carpenter and Smith. Discusses the loss of craftsmen and craftsmanship immediately post WW2 with concerns about training for the future. Each of the three section starts with a delightful poem.
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- 27 Title** **Tools of the Maritime Trades** *Author* **John E. Horsley**
- ISBN* 10; 0 7153 5280 6 13; 9780877421016 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1978 *Publisher* David and Charles *hb*
- Pages* 304 *size* 244 x 168 *Plates* 15 *Figs* 144
- Brief Review.* Primarily concerns shipbuilding, but includes sections on the Cooper, Blacksmith, Basket Maker, Pump maker, Rope Maker and Sawyer. Comprehensive line drawings of the tools used and the workshops. *See also Nicolle 20.3*
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- 28 Title** **Crafts from the Countryside** *Author* **John L. Jones**
- ISBN* # 13; 9780715370490 *Taths* 2115
- Date* 1975 # *Publisher* David and Charles *hb*
- Date* 1976 ** *Publisher* Readers Union *hb*
- Pages* 96 *size* 222 x 145 *Plates* 29 *Figs* nil
- Brief Review.* Covers a number of harvest crafts, including Rush, Straw, Flax, Teasels, Willow, all of interest. Also Laverbread, Hops, Pears, Herbs and Dewponds.

- 29 Title** **Craftsmen at Work** *Author* **John Norwood**
- ISBN* 10; 0 212 97019 4 13; 9780212970193 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1977 *Publisher* John Baker, London *hb*
- Pages* 207 *size* 243 x 165 *Plates* *Figs*
- Brief Review.* Detailed and personal accounts of trades by individuals interviewed by the author, mainly in Hampshire. Black and white photos illustrating the crafts and some tools. Includes Basket-maker, Blacksmith, Thatcher, Wood-turner, Farrier, Saddler, Broom-squire, Cooper, Hurdle-maker, Rake maker, Wheelwright and others.
- 30 Title** **The Complete Practical Book of Country Crafts** *Author* **Jack Hill**
- ISBN* 10; 071537706X 13; 9780715377062 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1979 *Publisher* David & Charles *hb*
- Pages* 254 *size* 253 x 180 *Plates* 71 *Figs* Many
- Brief Review.* A very practical book with many line drawings of the tools used and descriptions of the processes involved. Good black and white photos of crafts in practice. Comprehensive bibliography.
- 31 Title** **Country Relics** *Author* **H. J. Massingham**
illustrated by T. Hennell
- ISBN* # 10; 0854099492 13; 9780854099498 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1939 *Publisher* Cambridge University Press First ed. *hb*
- Date* 1974 # *Publisher* E P Publishing Ltd
- Pages* XV + 240 *size* 247 x 170 *Plates* none *Figs* 70
- Brief Review.* H. J. Massingham is well known for his books on the countryside, and this one covers stonework, timber, life in the fields, straw and basket work and the kitchen of yesteryear, with superb line drawings by Thomas Hennell q.v. A classic.
- 32 Title** **Traditional British Crafts** *Author* None, forward by Young, G.
- ISBN* 10; 0 86283 753 7 *Taths* 3808
- Date* 1989 *Publisher* Colour Library Books *hb*
- Pages* 320 *size* 305 x 235 *Plates* many *Figs* some
- Brief Review.* Good brief descriptions of some twenty four trades and many other subjects of the land and sea. Lots of good colour and black and white photos and drawings.
- 33 Title** **The Countryman's England** *Author* **Dorothy Hartley**
- ISBN* # 10; 0-906908-15-9 13; 9780906908150 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1935 *Publisher* B. T. Batsford *hb*
- Date* 1980 # *Publisher* Jill Norman Ltd ** *hb*
- Pages* xii + 116 *size* 223 x 144 *Plates* 34 *Figs* 39
- Brief Review.* A description of country life before the second world war from an observant countrywoman and artist's point of view. Excellent little sketches. The odd paragraph on crafts. Her best known work is Food in England, a classic.

- 34 Title** **Craft Tools of Yesterday**, Read about *Author* None, a *Colourmaster publ.*
- ISBN* 10; 0 85933 148 8 *Taths* 2113
- Date* 1979 *Publisher* Colourmaster Publications, St Ives *pb*
- Pages* 32 *size* 184 x 142 *Plates* 19 *Figs* none
- Brief Review.* Basic booklet describing fourteen trades. Very simple description of the trade with, in their day, good colour photos of the basic tools used. There are several uncorrected typesetting errors and wrongly named tools, but a useful little booklet.
- 35 Title** **Traditional Woodland Crafts** *Author* **Raymond Tabor**
- ISBN* 10; 0 7134 7500 5 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1994 *Publisher* B. T. Batsford Ltd. *pb*
- Pages* 160 *size* 250 x 189 *Plates* 29 *Figs* 145
- Brief Review.* A very practical book on coppice crafts. Two chapters cover tools and devices, followed by descriptions of crafts. These cover thatching wood, tent pegs, barrel hoops, besom brooms, gate and wattle hurdles, handles, walking sticks and charcoal burning. A glossary of terms and bibliography are also included. The author was a member of Taths.
- 36 Title** **Forgotten Household Crafts** *Author* **John Seymour**
- ISBN* 10; 0 86318 174 0 *Taths* 3809
- Date* 1987. repr. 1992 *Publisher* Dorling Kindersley Ltd. for National Trust *hb*
- Pages* 192 *size* 290 x 228 *Plates* many *Figs* many
- Brief Review.* Prolifically illustrated, this book covers mainly domestic skills from the Kitchen, Dairy, Laundry, Textiles, Decorating and furnishing. Soap making, dying, candle making, spinning and weaving are included in this study.
- 37 Title** **Hand Tools of Arts and Crafts** *Author* **Diagram Group.**
- ISBN* 0 245 53823 2 *Taths* ----
- Date* 1981 *Publisher* Harrap Ltd., London *hb*
- Pages* 320 *size* 288 x 224 *Plates* --- *Figs* many
- Brief Review.* This large volume is primarily about arts and town based crafts. It is comprehensively illustrated with line drawings of tools. Descriptions of the trades are basic. It does cover Potter, Candle-maker, Wood carver, Stone carving, Carpenter (cabinet maker), Wood turner, Weaver, Basket maker, Spinning, Knitting and Leather- work (Saddler). For sheer volume of pictures of tools, this takes some beating.
- 38 Title** *Author*
- ISBN* *Taths* ----
- Date* *Publisher*
- Pages* *size* *Plates* *Figs*
- Brief Review.*

Appendix 1 Books in the Taths library.

The following titles are in the Taths library, but I have not found copies available at the present time. They may be suitable for inclusion ?

Taths no.	Title	Author	Publisher
2099	Country Crafts and Industries	L Bodwell & C. Lines	Wayland Publishers 1987
2821	The Countryman Cottage Life Book	F. Archer	The Countryman1974, Readers Union 1975

Appendix 2 Other useful reference titles

Other useful publications that do not fit into the scope of this study.

Title	Author	Publisher & date	ISBN
The Woodworking Trades	Nicolle, George	1993 Twybill Press	0 9522285 0 5
Dictionary of Old Trades, Titles and Occupations	Walters, Colin	1999 Countryside Books	1 85306 601 X
Book of Trades, The	Amman, Jost	1973 Dover	0-486-22886-X
Rural Industries of England & Wales, 4 volumes	Fitzrandolph, H E & Hay, M D	1926, Clarendon Pr 1978, E P Publishg	---- 0 7158 1255 6
The True Book About Tools	Frank Giffin	1962, F. Muller Ltd	----
Rescuing the Past, The Countryman	Edited by Ann Cripps	1973 David & Charles	0 7153 6071 X
Book of Old-Time Trades & Tools.	Boys Book of Trades & Tools	Reprint from 1866 2005, Dover	978-0-486-44342-3 paperback

Appendix 3 What is an ISBN number?

ISBN is a unique numeric commercial book identifier. Here is a very brief overview.

Book numbering systems were developed between 1965 and 1967, as firstly SBN then ISBN. The original code was nine digits long. The ISO (International Organisation for Standardization) published the ten digit format in 1970 as ISO 2108. Britain however, continued to use nine digits until 1974. (The nine digit code is made into ten digits simply by prefixing it with a zero.) A new ISBN number is assigned to each new revised edition or variation of a book, but not to a straightforward reprinting. i.e. a paperback or e-book edition would have different numbers to a hardback edition.

In 2007, a thirteen digit system was introduced. (The current system)

The numbering is quite complex to understand, but is divided into five groups (four for the ten digit system). These are briefly i) a prefix element (13 digit only), ii) a language-sharing, country or territory group, iii) the Registrant element, iv) a Publication element, and v) a check digit. If you want to know more, go to <http://isbndb.com> . or see www.isbn-international.org

Appendix 4 Sourcing out of print books

A logical starting point is your local bookshop(s), and one should try to support these. They will often find books for you if you ask them, although you will pay a bit more if they have had to buy them in. If you are lucky enough to live near Hay-on-Wye or Wigtown, you have access to many excellent book sellers. There are also book fairs, street markets, and charity shops to mention a few other sources. For those who do not use the internet, these are the choices.

For those who use the internet, here is a list of the prominent book sellers on line. Prices can be very low, but it is worth comparing sites, some may list different prices for the same book from the same book seller. Also watch out for those who make high post and packing charges.

I personally use www.abebooks.co.uk for most of my purchases. I have always found their sellers reliable and delivery times reasonable.

I usually try to buy from UK sellers only, as overseas, particularly the USA, carry very high postage charges, and can take weeks to come.

	Name	Web site	Comments
1	Abe Books	www.abebooks.co.uk	Use the .uk site, as .com & .eu will bring up prices in \$ or euros and p&p for overseas. Easy to use site with good prices and reliability in my experience. Mixed reviews.
2	Alibris	www.alibris.co.uk	Some bad reviews
3	Amazon	www.amazon.co.uk	
4	Better World Books	www.betterworldbooks.com	Often picked up by Abe Books and Alibris
5	Biblio	www.biblio.co.uk	Good easy to use site (similar to abe books). Mainly good reviews, responds to and answers complaints efficiently.
6	Book finder	www.bookfinder.com	
7	Oxfam	www.oxfam.org.uk/books	
8	Used Book Search	www.usedbooksearch.co.uk	
9	World of Books	www.worldofbooks.com/secondhand	
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Mention of reviews in the comments column refer to www.trustpilot.com and www.consumeraffairs.com Reviewers are largely from the USA.

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