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The Shillelagh Makers Handbook



Synopsis

"The Shillelagh Makers Handbook" instructs the reader in the basic traditions and skills of the craft of shillelagh making. Readers will learn how to craft their own shillelaghs, for use as walking or fighting sticks.

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Customer Reviews

There are two reasons to read this book. I had really wanted to make one, or several, and had some experience making staffs for walking or display. The book will teach you what you want to look for in raw wood stock and how to go about, stage by stage, making a nice looking shillelagh. The second reason to read this book is to learn some history about shillelaghs as a weapon. Some heads were knocked over the course of history and it was a formidable weapon in the hands of a skilled shillelagh wielder. Very interesting stuff. Make one.

This book explains it all and even the part about the chimney. You just don't take a stick and call it a shillelagh. It explains when to harvest and the 3 year process that gives it the classic look, feel and

why it doesn't crack when used. The only problem is that they don't grow where I live so I can't make one. If you are Irish or want to be this is a great book on the history of the shillelagh that was outlawed by the English and then became the "Irish walking stick" ((Grin-Grin))

This serves as a great guide for looking into stick making. I highly recommend this book for anybody interested in making their own fighting sticks. Definitely worth the purchase!

Fun step by step for shillelagh making.

I just finished reading this handbook and have to give it five stars. It goes through the processes of making cudgels (shillelagh) and the variety of finishes and accessories it can incorporate. Very well researched, easy to understand, with modern alternatives to historical methods provided. Highly recommended to anyone wanting to make a well preserved, flexible and tough staff or stick. I also liked the weblinks provided at the back of the book for learning more on this topic. Very well done. Time to get busy applying the techniques!

Quick read. I want to read it again to see what I missed the first time through. Very interesting read.

Excellent Product and Seller. A+++++

Excellent history of the Shillelagh. I'm of Irish (and Scottish) descent and always wondered as a child about the various sticks my relatives carried. Now I know, to coin a phrase, "The Rest of the Story".

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