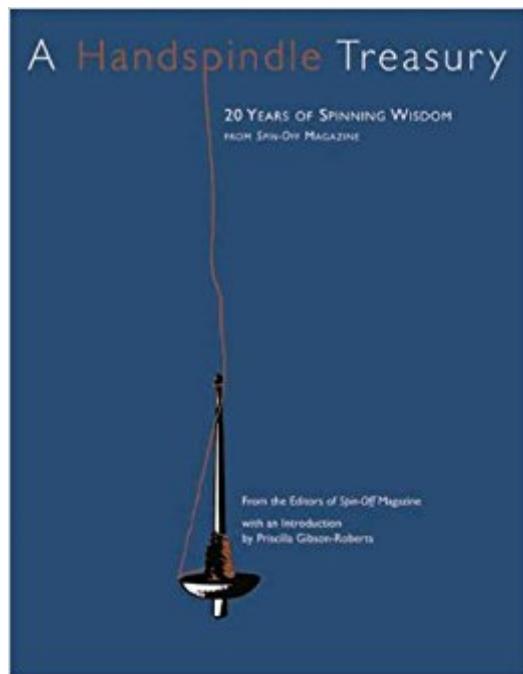


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# Handspindle Treasury



## **Synopsis**

The handspindle is the subject of the 28 articles collected here. Information is provided on history, ethnography, construction, and the uses of different types of spindles.

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## **Customer Reviews**

If you want to learn to spindle spin, this is an excellent book for beginners, and also for those who have been spinning for a while. Drop spindling is normally dealt with in a few short paragraphs and a diagram that doesn't really answer any questions, so a book devoted to the subject gets my nod of approval, and a permanent place in my personal library. I'm sure I shall be referring to it in time to come as it covers so many different aspects of spindle spinning that are normally ignored, and treats it as a legitimate spinning choice and craft form, instead of a technique we are obliged to learn before getting on with spinning on a wheel. I purchased this book by mistake, and I'm glad I did!

This book is great for the person who either wants to learn to spin with a drop spindle or who has just learned. There are several articles that give clear descriptions of how to use high and low whorl spindles, supported spindles and how to make your own. There are even drawings showing the spinner how to hold her/his hands to cut down on discomfort. The articles are written in a very conversational tone so that you feel like one of your friends is telling you about the craft. There are also stories by people who have used wheels for years and have recently decided to pick up a spindle. This is a great collection.

This is a collection of old spinning articles from the first days of Spin-Off Magazine. Some of the stuff in here is really outdated and smacks of the hippie years, like, making a spinning hook from trimmed branches, or a drop spindle from sticks stuck in potatoes. Not all that interesting or useful any more. Some of the articles seem unedited and quite amateurish. Some of the technique is timeless, but some has gone out of vogue. There are many great spinning books available now. I'd recommend you pass on this one.

Very good articles by long time spindle spinners. Very helpful!

I have been spinning for a few years now, however the drop spindle has always been my nemesis. This book is re-teaching me how to use the drop spindle correctly, and for that I think it is an excellent choice.

I have read several older books on spinning but this book was the first one that gave me all the information I needed to learn how to use the hand spindle and what to do with the yarn after I had spun it. I think this is a very good book to have for your spinning library.

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