

Turning Boxes with Richard Raffan, 55 minutes

Availability: NetFlix



This DVD is the companion to Raffan's book on turning boxes (©1998 Taunton Press.) In this video Richard Raffan turns two small boxes (one with a suction fit lid, one with a screw-on lid) and one deep box. In addition to a variety of gouges, scrapers and skewers Raffan uses the Klein threading jig.

This is a fast paced high quality instructional video with excellent close-ups and the turning is precisely what you would expect from Richard Raffan.

IMHO: For me the almost total lack of commentary made this video enigmatic at best and frustrating at worst. Why did he select this particular tool? Why this particular cut? What finish was he using, and why? Most of the answers are found, of course, in Raffan's book on turning boxes and in his more general work "Taunton's Complete Illustrated Guide to Turning". (An excellent book - available in the Sonoma County public library.)

As a "companion video" this is beautifully illustrative - as a stand-alone work it is extremely disappointing.