

Timbertops Spinning Wheels

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Dear Spinner

All our wheels are individually made at our workshop in a beautiful rural setting in South Wales, The Oak, Cherry or occasionally Lacewood (London Plane) that we use is specially selected from a local UK timber yard and preferably felled within 50 miles of our workshop. We commenced production with the Leicester, but now also make the Thurmaston, Beaver, Chair Wheel and also the Jubilee, Despite the major set back we had in 2012, we are still planning to progress to the Sherwood.

All our wheels feature:-

Both Double drive and Scotch tension fitted as standard 3,4 or 5 bobbins with 3-4 oz capacity (dependant on model) Threading hook.

They are excellent spinners and can produce yarns in a wide range of thicknesses. The tension is easily set and capable of fine adjustment. Additional bobbins and whorls are easily available

.Because each wheel is individually made, the flyer assembly can be made on the left or right, whichever You prefer. Some can be supplied with single or double Treadles.

A convenient feature of our flat and sloping bed models is the ease in which the wheel section can be removed for Transportation. if required.

When completed, all wooden parts are given protective coats of Melamine or Danish Oil. We do not use Varnish. No further treatment should be necessary. Then the wheels are thoroughly tested for smooth operation. If we are sending your wheel overseas it is then taken apart and carefully packed in a strong triple walled box, re-assembly is very easy and straightforward, using the instructions provided.

Please note that as the wheels are individually hand built the dimensions are approximate.

Every care is taken to build a wheel that is a joy to see and a joy to use.

Joan & Clive Jones

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The Leicester Single Treadle

This flat bed model is of a lovely line and proportion. It is the most popular model in the range being very compact for a 24" wheel. Rock steady with effortless treading, it has A double built In Lazy Kate & comes with five bobbins. Also a double treadle version is available. Overall size is 37" x 15" x 34" high. Orifice size 3/8", standard ratios of 8 and 10, Others are available. Weight approx. 16lbs



The Jubilee

This flat bed model is a larger 28" version of the Leicester and comes with a double treadle. The larger wheel gives it a lovely fly wheel effect, especially with the stubbies as shown (optional extra) Rock steady with effortless treading, it has a double built In Lazy Kate & comes with five bobbins. Overall size approx.is 40" x 15" x 36" high. Orifice size 3/8",



The Thurmaston 24" **(18" and 21" versions also available)**

This is the 24" member of the Timbertops sloping bed family. It is of beautiful proportions with excellent spinning qualities. Comes with 4 bobbins and a 3-in-line lazy kate.

(Also double treadle version available on the 24")

Overall size is 38" x 21" x 38" high. Orifice size 3/8",
Ratios available 6 - 20



The Beaver

This wheel is named after the Industrious worker the Beaver because it is just as busy. The Double treadle accelerating action makes for easy control over a large speed range. Like the chair wheel a robust worker. Comes with 4 bobbins and a 3-in-line lazy kate.

Overall size is 32" x 19" x 32" high. Orifice size 3/8",
ratios of approx. 10-30,



The Chair Wheel

The Chair Wheels are based on American models of the 1700's found mainly in Connecticut. They are double treadle accelerating wheels and are robust machines capable of a wide range of speeds with complete and excellent control. This model is supplied with a mother of all and maidens to each side making it very versatile.

Overall size is 20" x 18" x 34" high. Orifice size 3/8", Orifice Height is approx 28" Ratios available 10-30



The Sherwood

This 31" wheel with a double treadle based on the large Canadian wheels is a magnificent machine meant for serious work over long periods. The flywheel effect of its large diameter and weight ensures a smooth effortless action. Supplied with 4 bobbins and a 3-in-line Lazy Kate. Ratios are available from 10-25.



Thurmaston Suitcase

The ideal wheel for spinners who want a traditional wheel that is easy to transport. It will fit easily into a space no more than 18" square. Tilt tension designed to swivel for packing. Legs screw into the bed. Orifice Height approx .26" Orifice size 3/8", Ratios of up to 16-1 are possible with regular flyer and bobbins Supplied with 4 bobbins and a 3-in-line Lazy Kate. Weight approx. 12-13lbs

About Woodland Turnery & Timbertops Spinning Wheels

We started working with wood in 1983 & in 1993 it was decided to turn our hobbies into a small business (Woodland Turnery). In 1995 we added custom made spinning wheels to our catalogue. In 2001 we started to make replacement bobbins and also repair spinning wheels. In 2007 we expanded the spinning and weaving side of the business and in December 2008 we acquired Timbertops Spinning Wheels and moved the home of 'Timbertops' to South Wales combining it with Woodland Turnery. Our endeavour is to keep our Timbertops Spinning Wheels as similar to the original James Williamson ones as possible.

