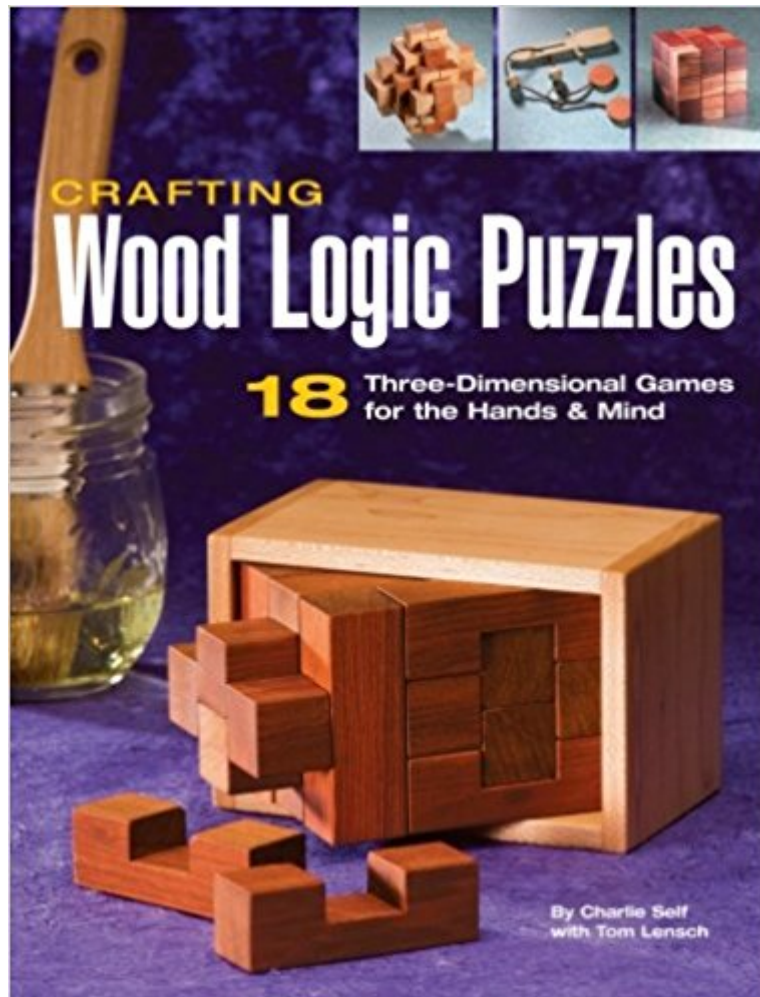


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Synopsis

For centuries, logic puzzles have entertained, inspired and educated kids of all ages. Studies show these engaging "brain teasers" provide unsurpassed benefits to the body and mind, increasing manual dexterity, mathematical abilities and overall intellectual agility. Crafting Wood Logic Puzzles provides plans and instructions for crafting 18 of the most popular manual puzzles. Projects range from traditional "put together/take apart" games like pentominoes and soma cubes to more sophisticated "unlocking" head-scratchers, such as the Burr and Heart Box puzzles. Readers will also learn specialized cutting, drilling, sanding, gluing and finishing techniques that make crafting wooden puzzles possible.

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An excellent book of puzzles ;whether you want to make your own,or just like puzzles. This would be an excellent choice for someone who would like to start making their own puzzles.It is reasonably priced,well constructed,the paper,printing and color photographs and detailed illustrations are top notch.The first 33 pages of the book cover tools,materials,techniques,and information on woods,finishing,jigs,,and other workshop hints.The next 82 pages give extremely well illustrated instructions on how to go about making 18, more or less classic wood puzzles.All the puzzles are all made of wood except for the first three which encompass cords and/or metal rings.The last 9 pages give excellent instructions along with detailed photographs for solving each puzzle.Dimensions are given in inches,but a conversion chart for metric is included. The book is

intended for people who want to construct these puzzles in their workshops and who are woodworkers. However even if one is not; most of these puzzles can be made with rudimentary tools and skills. A common element in several of the puzzles is a simple cube. These can be made simply, purchased from craft stores, etc. I, for instance, made several Soma Cubes using die sold in a package of 12 in the Dollar store, some glue, and clamps. The trays and/or boxes for other puzzles are likewise very basic and simple. The "Burr" puzzles are much more complicated and require more skills. Overall, this book is a great place to start. The only thing I would suggest about this book is that it should have had a page or so Bibliography for other books on making puzzles; of which there are many others.

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