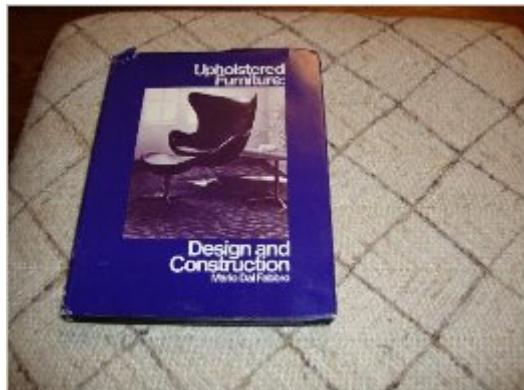


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# Upholstered Furniture: Design And Construction



## **Synopsis**

Created by a well known designer and furniture engineer, this book provides you with a unique pictorial approach to the design, construction, and upholstering of contemporary furniture. The book is profusely illustrated with a vast collection of photos of famous designs--many of them world renowned as well as hundred of technical drawings and special close up views. Step by step it details design and construction techniques for both custom and mass produced furniture...from building the frame, to choosing the most adaptable material and applying the final fabric....

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Woodworkers tend to be purists. They love the materialand look of wood as nature made it. While customers may ooh and ahh about the beauty of solid-woodfurniture, making it nice is a helluva lot of work, anddoing the finishing right is even more.Add to that this truth: Upholstered chairs and couches aremore comfortable than hard, expensive, labor-intensive,solid wood art furniture. While the public may appreciate your craftsmanship as awood artisan, few will pay you fairly for it if you chooseit as your career. Of course a niche may be carved-outwith relentless marketing, though many who earn theirliving building fine wood-furniture are backed intosupplementing their incomes through teaching or writing.So how, you ask, does this relate to modern upholsteredfurniture and making money at woodworking?Well, the public doesn't, in general, care how great andpure you are at woodworking. They care about whethertheir furniture looks good, in nice to live with, andmeets their needs.Upholstered furniture, while not necessarily easy todesign, is cheap to manufacture. Cheap in terms of labor,primarily, because there is no real need for joinery,nor sanding, nor finishing. Here and there of coursewood parts may poke out and need special treatment,but as a rule the wood parts in upholstered furnitureare sawn-out, quickly joined with the staples,

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