

Router Basics

Instructors: Gary Rippentrop

Prerequisite: None - this class is for beginners.

Schedule. Normally held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month, from 3 - 6 PM (verify dates and times using on-line wood club monthly calendar).

Enrollment: Limited to two students per class, with a minimum of one.

Student Materials to Buy & Prepare Prior to Class: None - instructor will prepare a total of 3 pieces of wood for each student. Two will be of a soft wood (ie: poplar) and measure 3/4 inch thick, and 4" W x 6" L. One will be Baltic Birch plywood, and measure 1/2 inch thick, and 4" W x 6" L. During class, the instructor will help students make and arc-cut on the plywood, using a band saw.

Description: A router can do a lot for your woodworking projects, but it can be intimidating and dangerous for the inexperienced woodworker. Hundreds of router bits are available on the market, to make outstanding decorative edges, slotting, surfacing, cutouts and more. With its high speed and heavy torque, it can be a challenging tool for inexperienced users. This hands-on class is loaded with tips and procedures designed to improve your confidence and creativity while emphasizing safety. The wood club board is seriously considering making this a required class prior to members being allowed to use the club's routers, so if you have interest in routers, sign up soon!!

Fee: \$15 - this includes class and pre-purchase / preparation of material by instructor.

Tools: Table-mounted routers and router bits are provided.

Pre-Class Study Material:

Videos: [Router 101](#): Router basics for absolute, total beginning woodworkers.

Documents: [How to Use a Router](#)

[17 Router Tips](#)

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