

# Guide to basic home workshop

Owning a home usually means tackling your own repairs, be it out of interest or necessity.

Fortunately for today's home handyman, there's a wealth of do-it-yourself information available on everything from fixing a leaky faucet to building a patio deck.

Little consideration is given, however, to the importance of the basic home workshop. "Using the right tool and mastering the technique it requires can make any repair or renovation job easier to handle," says Michael C. Hammar, a home improvement consultant.

Start your home workshop with just the essentials... buy quality products and buy them in stages.

The first tools purchased should include a claw hammer, 13 to 20 ounces in weight, for general carpentry, a nail punch to sink nail heads, and an assortment of nails.

Saw selection should include a combination hand saw with eight teeth to the inch for ripping and cross-cutting, a hacksaw and blades for metal cutting, and a backsaw mitre saw to use with a mitre box.

Screwdrivers are matched to size and type. You will probably need two or three sloheads for general use, two Phillips, three Robertsons and a wide variety of screws.

Your supply of wrenches should include a combination open-end box wrench for both tightening and removing bolts, a multi-purpose 8 inch adjustable crescent wrench and a socket wrench and sockets.

For measuring and marking, you will need a retractable 12-16 foot steel measuring tape and a metal ruler calibrated in both inches and centimetres, a 6 inch long try square for testing squareness and marking studs, and a carpenter's level for checking vertical and horizontal surfaces.

Your workshop should also include a jack plane, 12 to 15 inches long, for trimming and smoothing wood, a crow bar or pry bar for wrecking work, a set of three chisels for paring wood, slip joint pliers and a combination plier-wrench, two or three C-clamps and a vise.

For power tools, Hammar advises you begin with a variable-speed 3/8 inch reversible drill with a wide selection of wood and metal bits. Then add a 7 1/4 portable circular saw with a combination blade that is light enough to use comfortably but heavy enough to stay in place.

Odds and ends that will complete your basic kit include: glue, masking tape, double-faced tape, sanding block and paper, and a toilet plunger.

The proper use of many home workshop tools will be demonstrated by Michael Hammar at the 1978 Do It Yourself Exhibition, September 28 to October 1 in the Industry Building, Coliseum, Exhibition Place, Toronto.



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