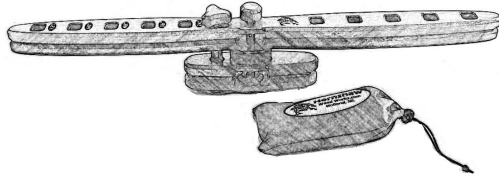




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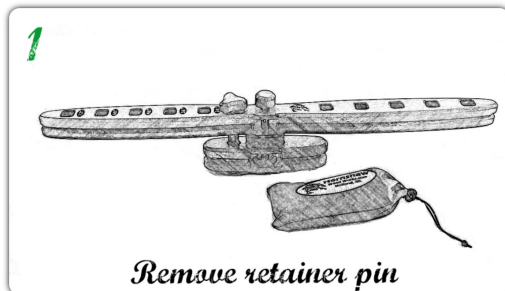
Thank you for choosing the DIY Swift / Skein Winder from Hornshaw Wood Works, LLC. You have many choices for knitting tools and I appreciate you trusting me with your business!



A little about the DIY Swift. It comes fully assembled with all the rough sanding and hand fitting completed. All you, as the customer, have to do; is the final sanding on all the wood pieces, mask off the metal parts and then apply your favorite finish and or stain. Whether it be Lacquer, Polyurethane or some other wood finish, sealing the wood of your new fiber tool is **very** important.

Finishing is the final step of the manufacturing process that gives wood surfaces desirable characteristics, including enhanced appearance and increased resistance to moisture and other environmental agents. Finishing can also make wood easier to clean and keep it sanitized, sealing pores that can be breeding grounds for bacteria.

To Disassemble the Swift:



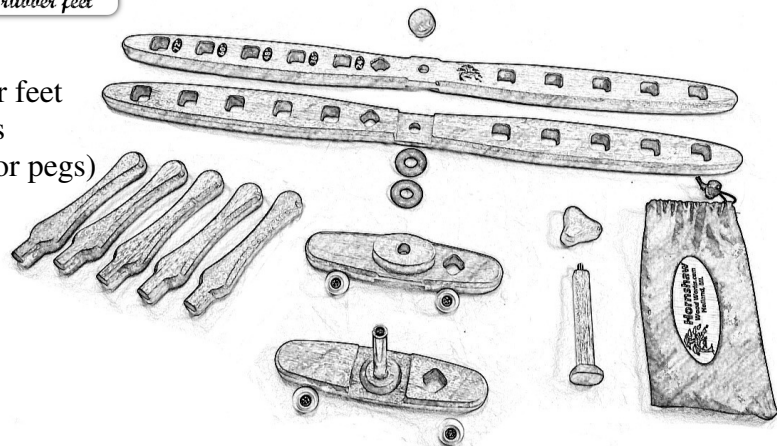
First remove the retainer pin that holds the swift together while not in use. Next remove the center pivot cap from the center post as shown in step (2). Pull the parts apart and then use a Phillips head screw driver to remove the rubber feet.



When complete you should have something like the image below. Please take care to not misplace any parts!

Parts List:

- (2) Swift arms
- (1) Bottom leg
- (1) Top leg
- (2) Nylon Washers
- (1) Pivot cap
- (1) Retainer knob
- (1) Retainer pin
- (4) Rubber feet
- (4) Screws
- (1) Bag (for pegs)
- (5) Pegs

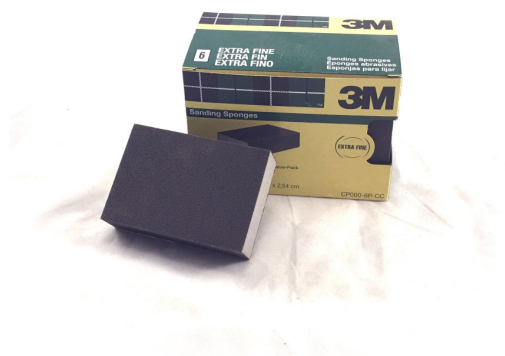


Sanding and Finishing your Swift:

(Please note, once you start the finishing process, the swift is **no longer** returnable to Hornshaw Wood Works! Please make sure you are happy with the swift before starting!)

While I won't tell you how to finish your swift, I am providing a few tips that will help you get professional looking results.

1. When deciding whether or not to apply stain to your new swift, you can get an indication of what the color of the wood will be when a sealer/finish like Lacquer or Polyurethane is applied. Use a damp cloth with the excess water wrung out to lightly dampen the surface of the wood. The damp wood will be indicative of the color after finish. If its too light, consider applying a stain. For Cherry, remember that the color will darken over time with exposure to UV light. I don't normally recommend stain for the Cherry swifts as the color can deepen to a wonderful color on its own.
2. Always, always read and follow all safety instructions from the finish manufacturer!
3. Use masking, or painters tape to cover any metal parts prior to finishing. Don't get any finish on the metal or plastics parts of the swift. And if you do, use an appropriate solvent to clean it off as soon as possible so the metal is not discolored.
4. Always sand **with** the grain of the wood. Sanding cross-grain can (and will) leave scratches that will be visible once the finish is completed.
5. I use 3M sanding sponges, available in most home improvement stores, to do the finish sanding on my wood parts. The "Extra Fine" grit will give you approximately a 180 - 220 grit sanding finish on your parts. And the sponges can wrap around edges to give you quick, consistent results.



6. Most finishes (Lacquer, Polyurethane, etc.) will require 3 to 4 coats to attain good sealing for your wood. Please read the manufacturers instructions for your finish to determine how many coats are required.
7. To get a smooth finish, let each coat dry per manufactures instructions and then lightly sand the parts smooth prior to adding the next coat. After a couple of coats you will hopefully see how much smoother your swift is getting.

Good luck finishing your new DIY Swift / Skein Winder.
Thank you so much for choosing Hornshaw Wood Works!