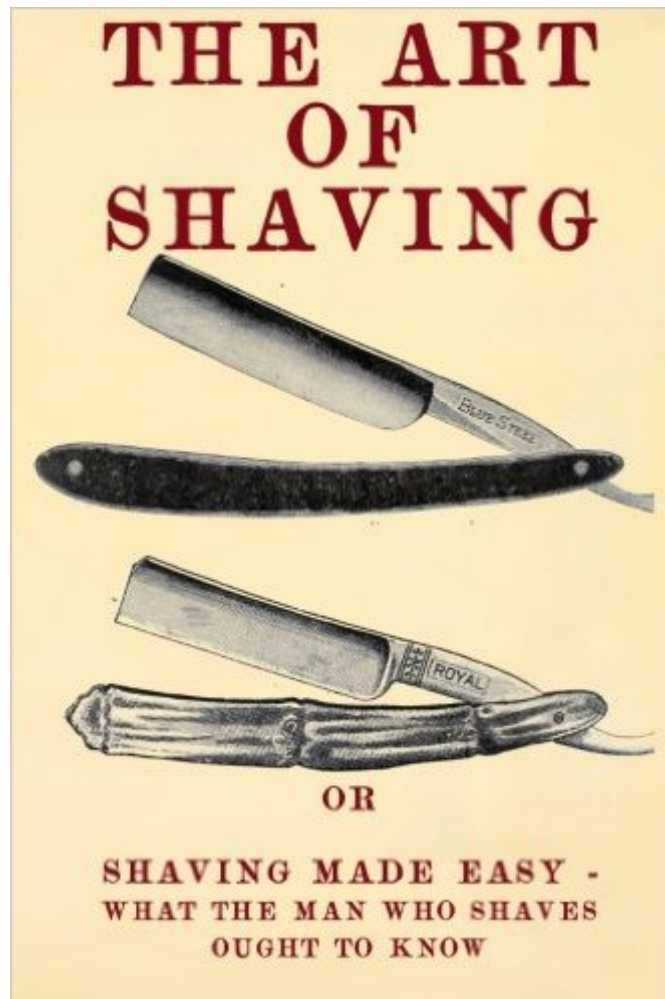


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The Art Of Shaving: Shaving Made Easy - What The Man Who Shaves Ought To Know.



Synopsis

From the Preface... "The object of this little book is to furnish clear and full information about the art of shaving. There are few men who do not experience more or less difficulty in shaving themselves with the straight razor, and many who, after a few unsuccessful attempts, give it up in despair and go to the barber shop. We believe most of these would much prefer to shave themselves if only they could do as well as a barber. The advantages, indeed, seem to be wholly with the man who shaves himself. In the first place the shaving is done in the privacy of his own room. He has his own razor, cup, soap, brush and towels, which can be kept scrupulously clean and sanitary, thus avoiding the constant danger of infection. There is no long wait for the call of "next". After the first cost of the outfit there is nothing to pay, either for services or "tips." Thus in point of time, money and health the man who shaves himself is a decided gainer." These early years of the 21st century have seen a resurgence in the use of the straight razor, the dreaded "cut-throat". Where once lathering up in front of a mirror with a brush of badger was seen as something "old guys do", appreciation of the straight razor shave has come full circle. Almost universally known to give a far better shave than the modern cassette style safety razors, and resharpenable to boot, the straight is seen by many not just as a nostalgic piece of personal grooming equipment, but as an integral part of the daily morning ritual. This book, first penned in 1905 by an unknown writer for an obscure correspondence course company in the United States, has finally found its place. It has found itself to be the Great Manifesto of the Shaving Renaissance. Get back to basics, learn the manly art of shaving.

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An interesting look at the basics of straight razor shaving, but not enough depth to make it

worthwhile. The book only spends about a page on each subject and often tells you something important about a tool, like how to judge the quality of a razor, but doesn't tell you what that difference is you are looking for, i.e. use a microscope to determine quality, but not what a good or bad razor would look like with a microscope. Since it is a century old it doesn't tell you anything about current brands and products on the market today. Gives a nice description of the steps to a straight razor shave with pictures. Overall more interesting for historical value than to help a beginner get a good grasp on straight razor shaving today. I think the book "Leisureguy's guide to Gourmet Shaving" is a better book for someone interested in wet shaving. It gives up to date info and in-depth knowledge for wet shaving, however it doesn't cover straight razors in depth, only safety razors. That book is also about twice as big and a few bucks cheaper.

Great book. As a noob to wet shaving, this book has helped me immensely with my technique and with razor care and maintenance. It was written for the wet shaving noob of the early 1900s so it's perfect for a hundred years later where wet shaving is almost a lost art. Ditch the cassette razors and get thee a straight razor. Best shave you'll ever have. Just make sure you read this book first or else have a big packet of bandaids ready. Wet shaving turns your morning ritual into an adrenaline sport. This book will help save you from needing corrective cosmetic surgery later. I'm kidding of course. Wet shaving is perfectly safe as long as you know what you're doing. This book will help with that. I took off one star because the writing is a little hard to read in one or two places. Nothing earth-shattering.

Excellent information for the new straight razor shaver. My first shave with my new straight razor was great and got worse after stropping. After reading this book, I believe I inadvertently dulled my razor due to improper stropping. Great general info.

Best book I've read about the subject of shaving. I'm new to straight razor shaving so I need all the info I could get. This book delivered! Shows you the ins & outs from top to bottom. How to buy a razor, straight shave, lather, strop, hone. Very informative, easy to read. Practical information. I would recommend this book to anybody looking to straight razor shave for the first time.

Great book that shows the technique to use a straight razor to shave but I mostly got it as a novelty item. I enjoy reading older text with the different writing style that was used around the turn of the century. You may find a video more useful but it was neat to read some of the information that is lost

today with \$5 - 4 blade disposable razor cartridges.

This book is short and easy to read, but as a newby to straight razor shaving, I found it really helpful. It is packed full of good tips on everything. Essential equipment, honing and sharpening, face prep, how to shave, and post shave care for your face and equipment, with lots of helpful pictures and illustrations. A must have for the new straight razorist!

This book was first published prior to 1923, so it's in the public domain. I can understand charging a couple of bucks for printing costs, but \$15 is outrageous when you don't own copyright to the text. Just google the title and you can find the text fairly easily.

One of the best books I ever bought. It told me exactly what I needed to know. If you are going to shave with a straight razor, (get a GOOD one) don't buy cheap. Get a good quality razor! You won't regret it. Thank you.

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