

Planing with the grain tools



Overview

Knowing how to work with the grain ensures that your planing is efficient and leaves a clean surface, while proper sharpening keeps your tools sharp and effective. Improper grain orientation can cause chips, tear-outs, and/or additional damage. Planes are used to "shave" thin, uniform strips from a piece of wood, creating a smooth, level surface by removing "high spots." Efficient planing can't be done without a good bench and a vise or two to hold the work while you concentrate on controlling the plane. In the video above, This Old House general contractor Tom. Q We have small shop, and the person running the planer talks about planing, with rather than against the grain. Claims it is smoother with less chips. True or false?

How do we determine if the first time we plane a piece of lumber, what direction is the grain?

A True indeed. Definition of grain. Before you even touch the end grain: Ensure the face and edge are flat and square — any twist or skew will amplify errors on the end grain.

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To ensure a fair and unbiased comparison, I selected two distinctly different wood species: cherry, a close-grained hardwood, and mahogany, a more open-grained variety. I carefully cut each ...



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Learning to plane with the grain

So, when planing against the grain, the cutting split actually follows the grain into the piece of wood we want to save. As this split gets longer and deeper, the knife finally breaks out a

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Keep in mind that, as with a hand plane, you'll want your planer to cut along the grain of your wood to prevent tear-out. Repeat the planing process as needed until your wood is a desired ...

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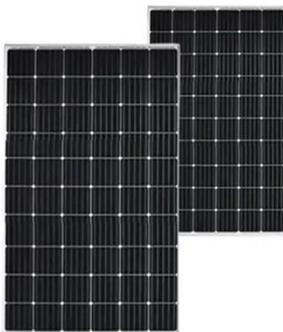
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To flatten boards and create smooth surfaces with hand planing, focus on working with the grain to prevent tear-out and achieve a fine finish. Keep your blade sharp and properly adjusted for ...

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How To plane end grain

With the techniques explained in this tutorial, you'll find planing the end grain of a piece of wood easy. You will need:
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