



the handweavers studio & gallery

catalogue & pricelist - equipment

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spinning wheels

Ashford "Traditional"

This is a strong, sturdy wheel that is easy to use and an excellent wheel for beginning spinners and for all-round use as it is capable of spinning a wide variety of fibres and thicknesses of



yarn, from fine to novelty. It is made of kiln-dried silver beech that you can finish with teack oil, varnish or stain as you choose. The wheel diameter is 56 cm (22"), the orifice is 10 mm (3/8"),

and it stands 85 cm high. It has three ratios: 7.5, 10.1 and 14:1. It comes with four bobbins and a lazy kate. Its assembled weight is 6 kg (13 kg); the shipping weight including the accessories is 8 kg (18 lbs).

£315

Ashford "Traveller"

Like the Traditional, the Traveller is made from kiln-dried silver beech that you can finish as you choose. But although its weight is similar to the Traditional, it has been designed to be easier to transport in a car boot for workshops and spin-ins. It comes



with a double treadle as standard, and has double drive and scotch tension. It is supplied with four bobbins, a threading hook, and a built-in lazy kate. The wheel diameter is 46 cm (18"); the orifice 10 mm (3/8"). It has three ratios: 5.5, 10 and 14:1.

£320

Ashford "Kiwi"

A great value spinning wheel that is also light and easy to use. The wheel is made from solid medium density fibreboard; the frame is Silver Beech. The double treadle makes spinning more comfortable and also makes it easier to start and stop, and the wheel is fitted with ball bearings for smooth and easy treadling. The wheel diameter is 45 cm (17.5"), the orifice is 10 mm (3/8"), and it has two ratios, 5.5 and 7.25:1. It weighs 5.5 kg (12 lbs).



£240

Ashford "Joy"



This ultra lightweight wheel is the ultimate in portability, folding up to fit inside a carry bag. Made from furniture grade plywood, it comes ready assembled and lacquered. It has scotch tension and four flyer ratios (6, 8, 11 and 14:1) for fine to chunky or novelty yarns.

Single and double treadle options are available. It comes with three bobbins which fit into the frame, and weighs 5.5 kg (12 lbs).

single treadle - £415
double treadle - £450



charkhas

Charkhas - most famolusly associated with Mahatma Gandhi - are one of the oldest forms of spinning wheel and are ideal for spinning short staples such as cotton. Our box charkha come in two sizes: the book charkha is 25 x 17 x 5 cm when closed, and the journey charkha is 33 x 19 x 7 cm.

book charkha - £50
journey charkha - £52.50



above: book charkha;
below: journey charkha



spinning wheel accessories

bobbins

Ashford standard bobbin £8.50
Ashford double drive bobbin £9.50
Ashford jumbo bobbin £11.20

lazy kates

Ashford 3 rod lazy kate £14.50
Ashford horizontal lazy kate £19.25
Ashford "Competition" (tensioned) lazy kate £32.25

spindles

basic bottom whorl drop spindle
7.5cm (3") diameter whorl, weighs 35 gm
£3.50

standard top whorl drop spindle
23 cm shaft, 7 cm diameter whorl, weighs
36 gm
£11.50

exotic wood spindle
Beautifully crafted and finished to show off
the grain of the wood. Various weights and
lengths are available - contact us for details.
from £32.00

Turkish drop spindles

The arms that form the whorl slide out so
these spindles are the easiest possible to
carry around. Removing them also enables
your yarn to be removed to give a centre-
pull cop.

£40 - 80mm
£45 - 110mm
£50 - 130mm



Ken Ledbetter drop spindles

Exotic wood drop spindles that combine beautiful form
with perfect functionality. The "standard" spindles typical-
ly use one wood for the whorl and another for the shaft;
the "special" spindles are decorated with a wide variety
of inlays.
£52.50 - standard
£75 - special



Wildcraft drop spindles

Clear resin with leaves, wildflowers, seedcases and
other beautiful fragments of nature embedded in them
£35



other spinning equipment and accessories

carders

With flat plywood backs and tapered varnished
handles set three-quarters of the way across
the back at an angle. Pin area 18 x 9 cm (7" x
3.5"); overall area 21 x 12 cm (8" x 5");
weight 555 gms.

£42.50 per pair

flick carders

Silver beech with a comfortable turned handle,
stainless steel wire with rubber backing, 72
point cloth with stainless steel wire and rubber
backing.

£13.50 each

mini carders

Mini flat-backed carders with shaped, angled
handles set across the back. Small and light-
weight with a pin area of 9.5 x 5.5 cm (3.75" x
2.25"). Sold singly or as a pair.

£7.50 each £14.50 per pair

drum carder

72 point (fine), 2 speed
£305

niddy-noddy

Wooden, with tapered ends for easy skein
removal

£17.50