

THE OLD KENNELS

THE OLD KENNELS, STENTWOOD, DUNKESWELL, DEVON, EX14 4RW

Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th May 2026
SHAKER BOXES



with Andrew Spilsbury

Hand craft one, two or even three beautiful shaker boxes in Cherry and Maple using Shaker materials and methods. A relaxed and gentle process using veneers, the copper tacks that hold the bands and the wooden pegs that pin the bands to the lids and bases are imported from America. Each stage and process closely follows the traditions. The Shaker lifestyle required a practical flexible storage system for household and workshop use. They adapted an English design of box which was almost round, and changed the proportions to the now classic oval design. The distinctive swallow tails of the joint were designed for practical purposes and with the bevelled detail give a stylish hallmark to the finished box.

£195 (plus materials approximately £10 - £40 per box dependant on size)

Requirements List

Bring an apron, tie long hair back and wear unbest clothes, you will get dusty. Stout shoes are important in case you drop a hammer or other tool!

Courses run 10am - 4pm, we will be glad to welcome you from 9.45am.

A boxed lunch may be ordered in advance (see website for details) or you are welcome to bring a packed lunch. Hot and cold drinks will be served throughout the day.

We also offer 4 B&B accommodation please enquire or see the website for full details*

Directions to The Old Kennels can be found on our website (sat nav will not bring you to the door!)