

Richard designed this wheel for his mother Joy, who with her husband Walter brought Ashford spinning wheels to the world in 1935

The Joy is light weight (only 5kg/11lb) and portable with folding treadle, built-in lazy kate and carry handle. Fold and go – it can be carried easily in cars, as carry-on luggage in planes (check with your airline first as this varies from aircraft to aircraft) and takes up little space at home.

The central flyer is convenient for right and left handed spinners. Spin a variety of yarns using the four ratios. The stretchy drive cord does not require any adjustment as you change from one ratio to another and always maintains the correct tension. The wheel and flyer are mounted on ball bearings for effortless spinning. Smooth and quiet with treadles mounted on polyurethane hinges to allow a comfortable heel-toe action. The wheel comes assembled and lacquered, ready for spinning. This spinning wheel is made from strong furniture-grade plywood, ideal for this compact portable wheel. Spinners tell us it is a “joy” to use!



The Ashford Book of Hand Spinning by Jo Reeve

This new book published in 2010 is by fibre artist Jo Reeve. Jo, the author of the very popular Ashford Book of Carding, has twenty-seven years of spinning experience and will show you how to spin from the beginning through to advanced techniques. Learn how to spin unique yarns using different techniques and fibres and make five easy projects using your handspun yarn. Full colour and step by step instructions will take you on a new journey of creativity. 116 pages.



Models

- Single or Double Treadle
- Joy Single or Double Treadle Combo - includes Carry bag

Specifications

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| Wheel diameter | 40cm (15¾ins) |
| Orifice | 10mm (3/8in) |
| Bobbin capacity | 130gm (4.5oz) |
| Ratios | 6, 8, 11, 14 |
| Weight | 5kg (11lbs) |
| Folded size | 64 x 40 x 14cm (25 x 15¾ x 9½ins) |
| Timber | Lacquered plywood |
| Ball bearings | |

Included accessories

- Built-in Lazy Kate
- 3 x 90mm bobbins
- Learn to spin booklet
- Threading hook

Optional accessories available

- Carry Bag – padded protection when travelling with handy pockets
- Joy Freedom Flyer – enormous 25mm (1in) orifice and hooks
- Competition Lazy Kate – for bobbin control when plying at speed
- Spinning Chair – for comfortable spinning
- Niddy Noddy – wind yarn directly from the bobbin into 1.5m (5 ft) skeins

- Sampler Niddy Noddy – make small, sample 90cm (1yd) skeins
- Maintenance Kit – spare parts and lubricating oil
- Ashford Teak Wax - protect and restore the wood
- Yarn Gauge – ascertain the yarn gauge

Maintenance

Apply Ashford spinning wheel oil to moving parts as shown in the assembly guide, every two to three hours of spinning. Wax your wheel regularly with Ashford Teak Wax, furniture oil or polish.



The Ashford Book of Learn to Spin with Ann Field

With easy-to-follow, step-by-step directions, Anne guides the novice spinner through all they need to know to get started. She explains the spinning process and techniques. A wide range of fibres suitable for spinning are featured with details on the characteristics of each fibre and the best spinning methods to use.

Also included are many great projects with full instructions on how to use your newly spun yarns.

Spinning and Weaving the Ashford way DVD or Video. Assembly, spinning, plying, carding, warping and weaving.

