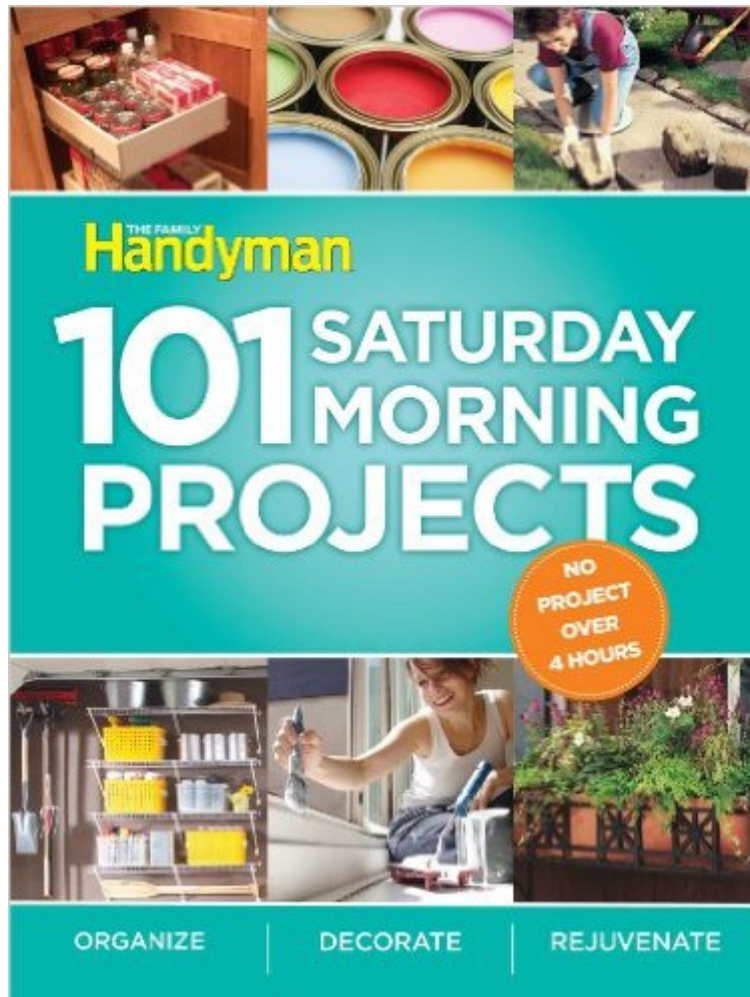


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# 101 Saturday Morning Projects: Organize - Decorate - Rejuvenate No Project Over 4 Hours!



## Synopsis

Choose from over 130 practical solutions for maintaining your home or apartment. These sensible projects are the easy-to-follow answers to keeping your home and yard in tip-top shape-and all can be done in less than 4 hours. From the editors of the #1 home improvement magazine, The Family Handyman's and written in their dependable, very accessible, conversational tone, the detailed project instructions are straightforward and user-friendly. Plus there is expert advice for every home or apartment repair, project, or improvement from adding extra storage space to building a summer lounge chair, from repairing a damaged screen to installing a dimmer switch. Inside you will find over 130 easy-to-build projects that will enhance your home; practical fixes for all annoying problems including a running toilet, dull mower blades, and how to replace a sink sprayer and hose. Find quick and inexpensive ways to improve the looks and functionality of your home by decorating with stencils, make over your kitchen cabinets, critter-proof your home, and stop drafts around windows and doors. Plus bonus sections that highlight Healthy & Efficient Home, Painting & Finishing, and Using Tools. Throughout this books are expert hints and tips that will have the handyman, or woman, enhancing, repairing, and maintaining a home or apartment in less time than it takes to play a Saturday morning round of golf.

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## Customer Reviews

I like this book, but the "No project over 4 hours" emblazoned on the front cover is a bit of a stretch,

as is the "101...projects" part of the title. The larger woodworking projects (anything with a materials list and a cut list) might only take 4 hours of your time to cut and dry-fit, but some of them assume you have a fully-equipped woodshop, complete with table saw, jointer, nail gun, a dozen or more clamps, etc. They also don't account for the time you spend finishing (sanding and staining/painting), so several of the woodworking projects are more likely to take you an entire weekend. If you have exactly the right tools, you can cut all the parts and dry fit them, but don't expect to start any of the larger woodworking projects and be completely finished in 4 hours or less. At the other extreme, I'd say some of the "projects" don't qualify as projects at all--like pressing the reset button on your garbage disposal or GFCI outlet--and belong in a "Homeowner's Guide" type of book instead. I'd rather see these listed as tips, but I guess then there wouldn't be nearly 101 "projects" in the book. Then again, maybe it's not so bad if I just have to press a reset button and my wife thinks I spent half the day rewiring the kitchen outlets or rebuilding the garbage disposal. ;) For many of the projects, you need to know what size fitting, pipe, connector, fastener, etc., is already installed. The most time-consuming part for most of my repair projects is figuring out the size of the part I need to replace, especially if I can't easily remove the part and take it with me. Most of the time it requires multiple trips to the store. It would be nice if the book provided some helpful hints on how to only make one trip to the store. Despite these faults, I still think it's a good book, and I think everyone is sure to find a use for at least one or two dozen tips or projects.

The authors of this project book have made things easy for those of us who are not expert handymen or women. They've given unintimidating directions to hundreds of projects in ways that nearly anyone can understand and follow. Plenty of explanatory photos are included and the use of tools is thoroughly explained for those who are inexperienced. Included in the book are a large number of repairs, projects and improvements as diverse as installing a keyless door lock, wall mounting a quilt, sharpening a mower blade, rejuvenating kitchen cabinets, drilling into glass, installing a light dimmer, making a coat rack, fixing minor furnace problems, making a home healthier and much much more. There are certainly WAY too many for me to list here, but I would think that everyone would find more than a few projects that they would consider tackling. While I don't quite believe the "no project over 4 hours" claim on the book's cover, the vast majority of the hundreds of projects here would very likely fall into that category and there's even a section of "15 minute fixes" that seems achievable by most of us who are less than handy or, possibly, lacking in either attention span or motivation. On those "too tired to tackle much of anything" days, at least we'd feel like we'd accomplished something! In addition to projects for every room in the house, a

few minor car care projects are included, as well, a couple of which I may even try myself.

Great book - but in truth, many projects can be done in a day, not 4 hours - stuff like refinishing cabinets, probably the weekend. Still it has several great ideas and has enough to keep most homeowners busy for a very long time. Sometimes I wish more people would spend more time on these types of projects that sitting on the couch and watching a game with a bag of chips. Most of the stuff in this book really would increase the value of one's quality of life and home. Recommend it

First of all, had this book had a better description I wouldn't have bought it. That being said-it isn't a bad book. I got it for my girlfriend because she's very much into DIY projects and I thought these would be nice little quick things for her to do. Wrong! They are quick projects for someone who has semi advanced skills and are more of repairs than projects. It looks like a great way for a honey-do list to get started! Haha

I loved this book from building the butterfly house to converting one of my cabinets to a roll-out! I really liked resetting the GFCI, because I did not know how to do that. Lots of good maintenance and storage ideas. Good, Good book!The book was in excellent condition and I would use this vendor again.

I thought this would be some really nice step by step instructions for a novice person. Nope it is literally a page with all sorts of drawings that you have to figure out. It is probably great if you know all of this stuff, but if you are a novice stay away.

I have not tried any of the projects yet but I will. This book says a person could do these projects on a Saturday morning but I am much slower and some would probably take me a couple of days. But there are lots of innovative & interesting ideas. I have read the book and the instructions are clear & concise with good pictures. Well worth every penny I paid.

This book has a few new tips and tricks that make you wonder why you didn't think of it, and there are also many in there where I was already familiar with the process and have no intention of trying in my house. The book has easy-to-follow instructions, and the color photos throughout help you visualize the projects as well as wish you could make it look as crisp and good in your home as well as they are illustrated in the book. For \$10.99 here on , you're going to get more than in

terms of entertainment value as well as know-how for a project around the house.

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