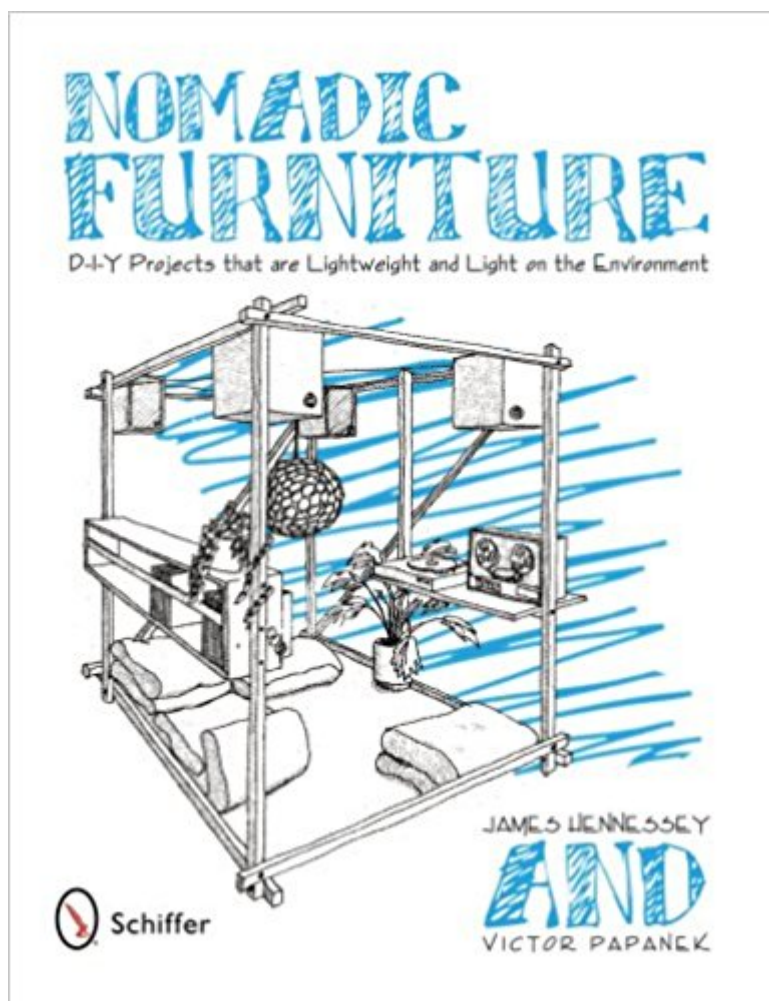


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# Nomadic Furniture: D-I-Y Projects That Are Lightweight & Light On The Environment



## Synopsis

Victor Papanek and James Hennessey set out to change the world in the mid-1970s, empowering the people to create their own inexpensive furnishings. Their books, *Nomadic Furniture 1* and *Nomadic Furniture 2*, are reprinted here in their entirety. In their vision of home design, everything is lightweight, folds, inflates, knocks down, stacks, or is disposable. They offer simple instructions for making beds, chairs, sofas, stools, and tables, using inexpensive and recycled materials. Their ideas open up channels for creativity, as well as for saving money and lightening a household's footprint. This practical, lighthearted approach to living is certainly worth a revisit, in a world where environmental consciousness is quickly evolving.

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## Customer Reviews

Victor Papanek was a UNESCO international design expert who studied at Cooper Union, MIT, and with Frank Lloyd Wright. James Hennessey was assistant dean at the School of design at the California Institute of the Arts at Valencia.

Fun stuff. If you haven't seen this book first-hand, it's worth the purchase. The handwritten "font" that the book is written in is over the top: kinda hard to scan/skim and not enough white space on the pages. But the furniture and living space designs are fun, and the book is very informative on designing load-bearing furniture. It'll definitely give you some new ideas about elegant/efficient design. It'll also make you say: My gosh, they've been doing this same type of furniture for how

many years, now? (some of the "new" designs are old as the hills, it turns out.)

I first met this book about 40 years ago, and it still holds me fascinated. Through the magic of eBay (and now ) I have replaced my lost or worn-out copies once or twice, and I never tire of re-reading it and recommending it. My husband and I have followed the instructions and plans for many of the items in the book, and now that we're old empty-nesters, it's time to start over with the minimalist household furnishings. This is a gem that DIY people NEED!

S source for ideas but not likely to be directly implemented from reading. It also requires more than just a fundamental skill level to achieve some of the projects.

My 22 year old has thanked me many times for sending her off to college with one of my favorites from the late 60's, early 70's, Nomadic Furniture. This is the one that tells you how to gather and build all those necessities for your home/dorm/room/place/crib from next to nothing. I sent her with this one and "Champagne Living on a Beer Budget".Nomadic Furniture is very practical, even though she lives a few miles from an IKEA. A lot of the ideas in this book ended up in the IKEA inventory. Get it and share it for a generation or two. Nothing like a little recession to bring out the value of this one.

Yes, the illustrations and text are all hand drawn (how cool is that!?) and the focus is not on HowTo with lots of instructions. Instead, this is an idea book, and does so successfully if you have a bit of imagination to run with the inspiration. I'm glad I have it.

I love this book of wonderful, inexpensive ideas for furniture that comes apart and sets up easily. I think this is no longer in print? Anyway, the used copy arrived in good shape, on time

I bought this book after reading a blurb in New York Magazine. The handwritten font is a bit hard to read, but I could get through it. I might not make anything from the book, but it inspires me.I like the measurements given in the book, and the idea of measuring your family before buying furniture like tables and chairs. Now I know that height of our dining room chairs are perfect for my husband.No wonder he LOVES those unsightly shabby chic junkers!

I found that this publication is just a two books put together as I have one each of Nomactic furniture

1 and 2 and this is a combo of those two publications.

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