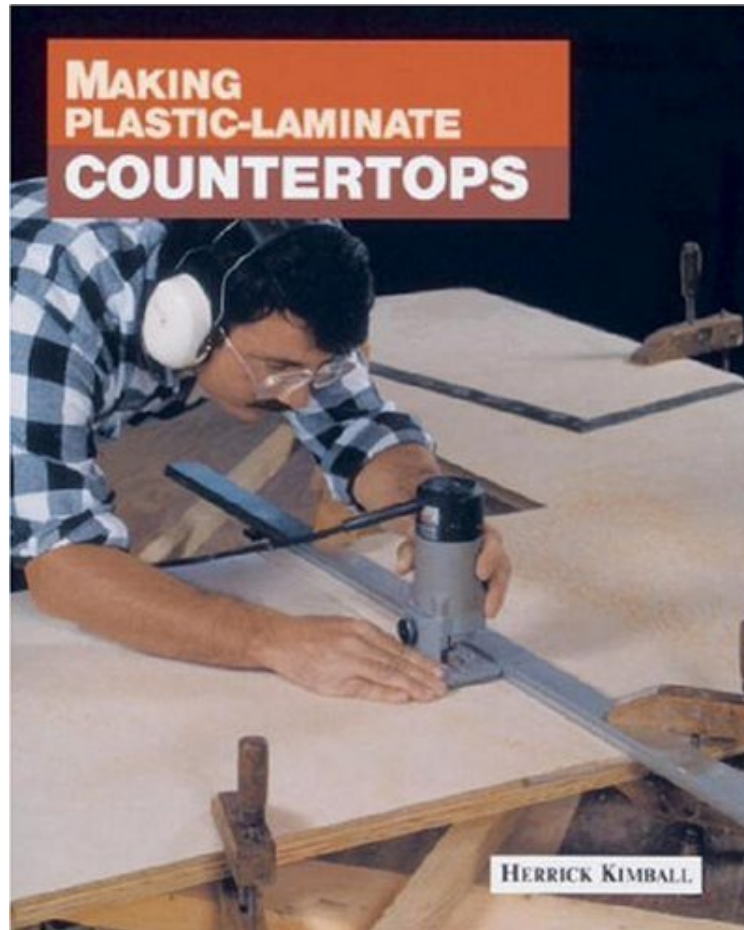


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Helped me, great tips By Mark SI decided to do my own countertop. It was a difficult shape with inner 45 degree corners, plus a 4 outside 45s. There were videos on Youtube but just basic instructions, like, roll on glue, then apply laminate. Well no kidding. So I decided I needed to read up on the topic. This book gives many little pointers on how to do the job right. He covers glue choices, wood material, fasteners, etc. Gives tips in how to cut perfectly straight. Reasonably easy to read. My countertop turned out incredible. The book is written in 1996, before the big granite trend started. Im giving 4 stars because there were a few difficult details not covered, like when a router runs up to a wall, or trimming the laminate ears on the inner 45s. Also hes a big advocate of the waterbased contact cement, and everyone I talked to who actually makes counters says that stuff is worthless. The place I work at used the water based for a while, and we had many complaints from customers. I stuck with the tradition flammable type. 23 of 23 people found the following review helpful. Easy to read and very comprehensive By

Mike I've taken several hands-on classes on laminate installation, and this book covers everything I saw there plus more. Worth every penny. Mr. Kimball knows his craft better than most of the "pro" teachers I've had, but the real bonus is he can communicate what he knows. No prior knowledge is assumed, and he covers everything from how laminate was invented to how to make a completely invisible seam and the tools you need to do the job easily. If you're unsure of whether to do the job yourself, this is your book. Great stuff! P.S. He also has a great book on cabinet refacing!
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