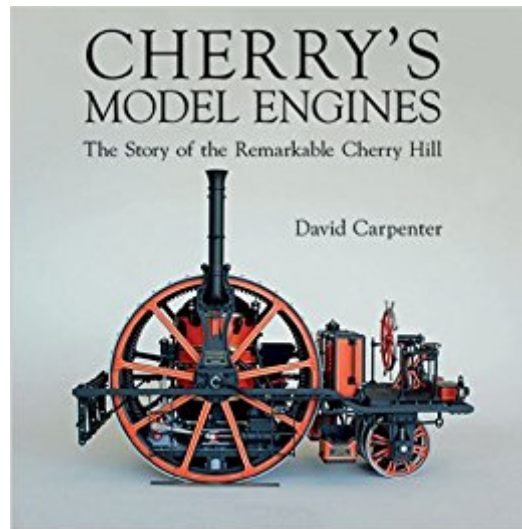


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Cherry's Model Engines



Synopsis

A celebration of the work of the world's greatest model engineer—although the word "model" hardly does justice to the intricate, fully functioning glories that she produces. For the past several decades Cherry Hill has created scaled-down versions of traction engines—and not just run-of-the-mill types, but elaborate Victorian flights of fancy. Extensive research and meticulous design are the secrets of her success. She has created almost 20 models over the 60-year period since her father gave her an old lathe from his agricultural machinery business. One of the most impressive aspects of Cherry's work is that all her engines are fully working, and what comes out of her workshops in Worcestershire and Florida is perfection, both in terms of design and craftsmanship. Every last part, even tiny chain links, is made in the workshop from metal stock. No parts are bought in. Once completed, all her models are given away: early ones to friends and family and later ones to the Institution of Mechanical Engineers. Each model typically occupies 7,000 hours' work, and Cherry's staggering efforts have been rewarded with the highest honors, including nine gold medals and an MBE from the British Queen for Services to Model Engineering. Here, for the first time, the fruits of her illustrious career are displayed in all their intricate glory.

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I had seen an article with photos in Live Steam Magazine on Cherry Hill's models and found more about her work on the Internet. When offered this book months ago I bought it even though it took more than half a year to get. It was more than worth the wait. It is a wonderful book with outstanding

photos and text. It gives insight to a level of craftsmanship that really becomes a form of art. My thanks and congratulations to Mr. Carpenter and of course to Cherry Hill.

For those who love the presentation of exquisite models, this is your book. I have seen some of Cherry's work in Model Engineer Magazine, but David Carpenter has done the model fraternity a tremendous service by recording the work of Cherry Hill in detailed descriptions and up close photographs. These unusual models are all one of a kind and show the life work of this famous British builder. Not only is this a collectable book that exhibits the highest level of craftsmanship, but the beautiful colored pages emphasize the achievements of Cherry and her work. Love the book!

Very well written with excellent photographs

Pictures of Ms. Hill's virtuoso work have been few & far between. This collection is finally available, and it does not disappoint.

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