

The Pattern Collection - a supplement to our textbook: Uppermaking for Bespoke and Orthopaedic Shoemakers - Volume I

In textbook Volume I, the individual steps for obtaining well-fitting patterns are explained in detail; formes, standards and sectional patterns are all presented and explained. However, complete sets of patterns couldn't be included in a book. The Pattern Collection fills this gap.

This collection contains a complete set of patterns for nine popular shoe styles. Containing over 100 drawings, all lovingly provided to illustrate important technical details like the location of the seams and all auxiliary lines. The patterns were designed on original Spenlé lasts and then slightly reduced to scale.

The patterns are designed to help you understand the construction principles of the upper designs explained in detail in Volume I and put them to use. They are also a great tool for developing a feel for lines and pleasing proportions in shoemaking. The importance of allowances, e.g. for an underlay or seam allowance, is clarified and the springing of upper elements that cannot be designed along a fold line are also explained. How the sectional patterns fit together is made clear and the colour coding of the lines makes it even easier to understand the designs as a whole. For technically correct cutting, arrows on the detailed models indicate the optimal pulling direction in the leather. Proper pattern placement for cutting is indicated by arrows on the sectional patterns, giving optimal layouts according to the inherent stretch characteristics of the leather.

The contents of this collection, combined with the many self-explanatory instructions in our books, make it possible to make well-fitting uppers even without extensive previous patternmaking knowledge. The patterns also contain all the necessary considerations when designing their many variations, and other related patterns, yourself, and for converting them into well-fitting upper styles. The templates can also be used to produce 3D models of the uppers.

For all the designs presented in the booklet, you will find tips on how to use them in your own work, as well as a special chapter on making uppers for pumps and high heels.

Contents:

Nine complete pattern sets:

- Derby Plain Shoe
- Derby Boot Cap Toe
- Singlemonk
- Oxford Full Brogue
- Sneaker
- Lace to Toe
- Pump / High Heel
- Chelsea Boot
- Penny Loafer

- templates for Velcro fastenings
- four Templates for sewing exercises
- stitch density template
- booklet with design tips for use in your own work
- special chapter on making uppers for pumps and high heels.

Our pattern collection is available with identical contents, in attractive cardboard packaging or in a box made of laser-cut plywood, including an engraved Shoemaker-double-headed eagle and printed dust jacket. Both versions matches the textbooks perfectly in design and size.

!The wooden version can only be delivered within the EU, to the UK, Switzerland and Norway!