

THE POTTERY

A HANDBOOK FOR POTTERS



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Krukmaakeriet

En handbok för krukmakare

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You don't really need much to make your first pot, just a piece of clay and an idea. At the same time it's a craft one develops over a lifetime.

The pottery is a handbook both for the beginner and more experienced potter. Basic skills are taught along with a background explanation of the rich history of pottery. Step by step the potter Stefan Andersson guides us on the potter's wheel, glaze manufacture and firing, generously sharing his recipes, techniques and know-how. Stefan also describes how with humble means one can set up one's own workshop, make one's own tools and, stone by stone, design and build one's own woodburning furnace.

The book is founded on Stefan's own enterprise and production of wood-fired ceramics and is richly illustrated with photos and diagrams describing the tasks and techniques. For each section there are solutions to common problems which we may encounter. What to do for example if there are pocket of air in the clay? If the potter's wheel slips when you centre the clay? Or if the pots fall apart as you decorate the slipware?

About the author



Stefan Andersson is a potter based in Leksand. His wood-fired products are to be found in restaurants and with collectors all over the world. In Sweden you can eat from his plates in restaurants such as *Frantzén* and *Hantverket*. In 2010 and 2015 Stefan was awarded the Arts and Crafts Foundation's much sought after grant for his work and he is today one of our leading potters. He is also a much appreciated teacher in ceramics and every year arrangers the biggest ceramics event in Sweden – *Keramiksymposiet* in Leksand.



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