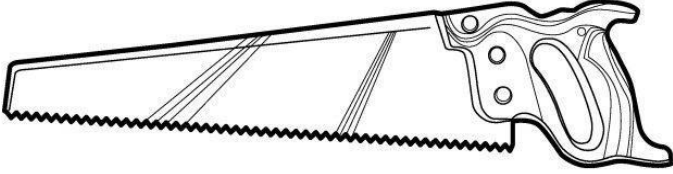
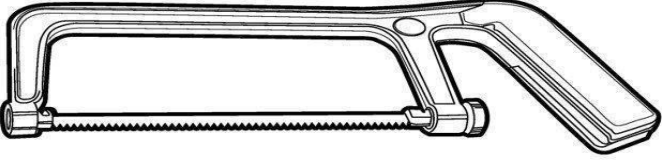
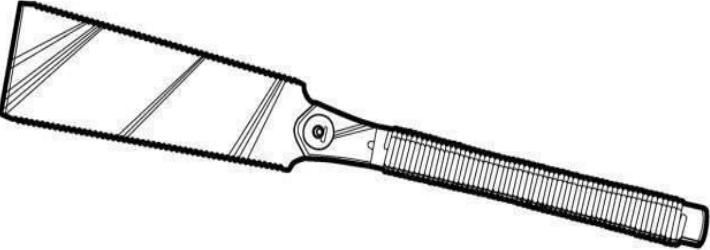
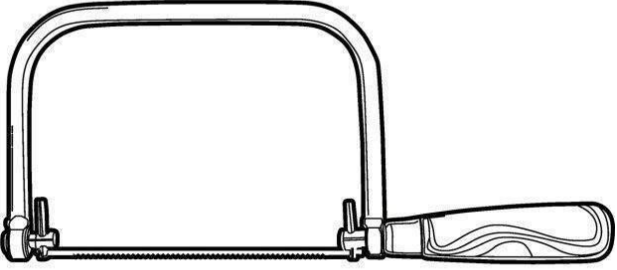
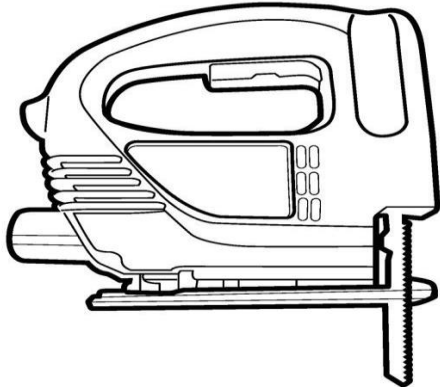


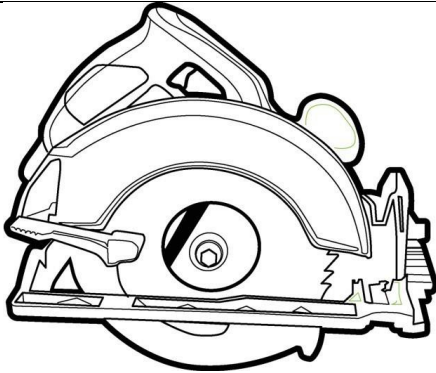
Common Saw Types

	<p>“Basic” Handsaw</p> <p>This is the most recognizable and the simplest to operate of all of saws. It works on wood of all types but is best for “soft” woods. Can be used for all types of cuts.</p>
	<p>Hack Saw</p> <p>This type of handsaw features a fine-toothed replaceable blade on a C-frame. Commonly used for cutting metals and plastics.</p>
	<p>Japanese Saws</p> <p>A saw type with a thinner blade with crosscut teeth on one side and rip teeth on the other. These saws are more often found in a fine woodworking or furniture making situation.</p>
	<p>Coping Saw</p> <p>Popular with artists, this simple but useful cutting tool consists of a thin replaceable blade in a C-shaped frame that uses interchangeable blades for both metal and wood. It can cut tight radiuses but perhaps its most useful feature is the ability to remove the blade and thread it through a drilled hole to cut inside profiles.</p>



Jigsaw/Reciprocating Saw

If you've ever needed to cut a custom shape out of a sheet of plywood or even plastic, this is a great saw. If a perfectly straight line is what you need, then leave this tool on the shelf. Even in the hands of a skilled operator the blade will drift easily.



Circular Saw

This saw is the standard for making cross and rip cuts. If you can only have one powered saw, this is the one. When it is paired with a saw guide it can make surprisingly accurate cuts.

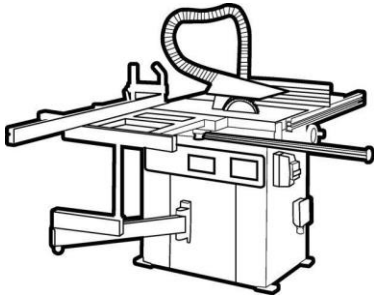
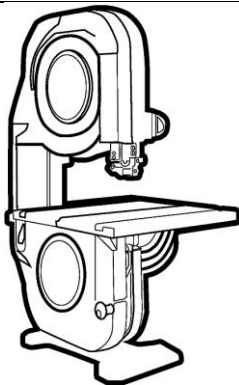


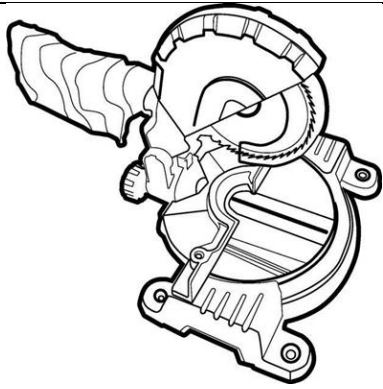
Table Saw

Ripping and beveling are the things the table saw does best. It can be safely used to miter and crosscut with jigs and other accessories. Usually not very portable, but its versatility makes this one of the most useful tools in a shop.



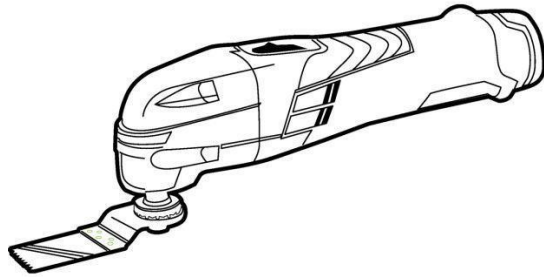
Band Saw

This is the best saw for cutting shapes in wood, metal or plastics. The bandsaw is a work horse for props and furniture making. Like jigsaws, band saws can drift if you're not paying close attention to the line.



Miter Saw

The best saw for cutting precise angles and simple crosscuts. Miter saws are great for cutting custom angles, making these ideal for molding and trim work.

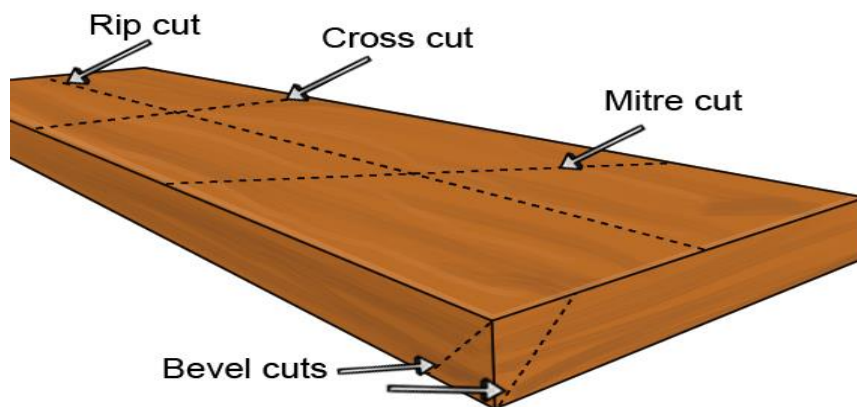


Oscillating Saw

Its vibrating blade is useful for precise cuts within limited space.

Remember, few saws are specifically designed for cutting flesh and bone but most will do it if given the opportunity. Keep it safe!

Types of Saw Cuts



- Rip** cuts in the direction of the grain of the wood
- Cross** cuts across the grain of the wood at 90 degrees
- Mitre** cuts across the grain of the wood at other than 90 degrees
- Bevel** cuts at an angle other than 90 degrees along the thickness of the material