

TIP SHEET

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\$28 JAPANESE SAW

Most woodworkers, especially beginners, should consider owning one Japanese pull saw like this ryoba. This **Vaughn Ryoba** saw can rip and crosscut as well as flush-cut. The saw comes sharp and well-set out of the package and needs no set-up or tuning. The saw can handle coarse or fine cutting and breaks down for easier storage and transport. Pull-stroke cutting is easy to learn and with a little practice, most of us can switch effortlessly between Western and Japanese saws.

Agressive rip teeth cut fast but can be difficult to start.

Ultra-thin saw plate needs tension from pull-stroke to stay straight. Can also bend to flush-cut.

Fine cross-cut teeth cut more slowly than Western saws, but leave a very smooth finish. Can also be used to start rip cuts.

Quick-disconnect knob allows blade to be detached without tools. Vaughn is one of the few makers to use this feature. Most saws require a tool.

Long handle can be gripped one or two-handed.

Watch the video here



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