**Inspiration for the weekend: Kevin Winsor**

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A woodworker since he was 8 years old, our interviewer, [Tobias Lochner](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339829/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) is no stranger to the workshop.  Find out more about him [here](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033982a/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2).  We are extremely grateful to Kevin Winsor, who has very kindly offered to be our first interviewee for The Woodworker Sessions USA!  Read some excerpts from the interview below or click "Read More..." to get it all. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Read More...**](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033982b/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Question #1**  **Tobias:** Welcome to The Woodworker Sessions and thank you for joining us! Please would you tell us a little about yourself?  **Kevin:** I am 67 years young, retired, with a wide range of interests and have been very happily married for 37 years. Besides being a woodworker, I am a registered Maine Guide specializing in fly fishing. In my early years, I worked with metal and built custom fire trucks. That knowledge and experience transferred perfectly to the welding supply industry where I spent 35 years before retiring. | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Bookmatched Boire Top | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | *My wife is entirely responsible for instigating my woodworking adventure. She wanted a cherry dining room set. The beautiful table and chairs that she wanted cost $8000 at the time! I figured that much money would buy the equipment that I needed to build the set myself.*  *25 years later I am still at it, loving spending 4 to 6 hours a day working in "the salt mine"* | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | *I am most proud of my sculpted rocker. Also, I am extremely proud of 2 original design benches that I made with curved stretchers.* | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Walnut Sculpted Rocker | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [*Cherry*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033982f/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*was my first love (not her real name). I still do a lot with*[*Cherry*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339830/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*.*[*Black Walnut*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339831/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*is also high on my local species list. I can't leave out*[*Bird's Eye*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339832/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*and*[*Quilted Maple*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339833/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*. If I could build everything with*[*Wild Olive*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339834/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*, I'd be a happy boy, really love that wood.*[*Bubinga*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339835/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*,*[*Wenge*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339836/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*,*[*Katalox*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339837/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*,*[*Ebony*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339838/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*,*[*Mahogany*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339839/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*,*[*Cocobolo*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033983a/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*,*[*Padauk*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033983b/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*,*[*Satine*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033983c/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*and*[*Chechen*](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033983d/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2)*are in my larder.* | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | *I'm really spoiled by having Rare Woods USA in my neighborhood. I've had the pleasure of buying some exquisite exotics for accent pieces. There doesn't seem to be a lot of appreciation/knowledge of exotic wood in my local customer base. It's harder to sell a jewelry box made of ebony than the same box made of grain filled Wenge.* | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Curvaceous: Wild Olive + Resin Top, Cerejeira and Figured Walnut Legs | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Question #20**  **Tobias:** What is the next piece you are going to build and why?  **Kevin:**A jewelry box with drawers is next on my list. I have some beautiful quilted maple that will make nice drawer fronts.  **Tool Wishlist:**  I probably have a greater need to reduce the number of tools on hand. The Jet oscillating drum sander is intriguing. I hate the linear scratches my current drum sander makes.  **Timber Wishlist:**  I am getting rather low on [Black Cherry](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033983f/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2), [Basswood](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339840/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) and Poplar for secondary components. [Highly figured Maple](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339841/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) and [Black Walnut](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339842/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) are always on my list. [Wild Olive](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339843/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) is always nice to have, as is high figure [Bubinga](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339844/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2), [Ebony](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339845/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) and [Crotch Mahogany](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339846/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2).  Many thanks to Kevin Winsor for sharing his talent, creativity and enthusiasm with us at Rare Woods USA. If you are or know of interesting woodworkers in your area that would enjoy being featured in the Rare Woods USA Woodworker Sessions series, please drop us an email at [info@rarewoodsusa.com.](http://webmail.gatctools.com/?_task=mail&_caps=pdf%3D1%2Cflash%3D0%2Ctiff%3D0%2Cwebp%3D1&_uid=13358&_mbox=INBOX&_framed=1&_action=preview#NOP) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Read More...**](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339847/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Jewelry Box - Figured Walnut and Padauk | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Read More...**](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae5530339849/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Covid-19**:  We are open to walk-in customers again.   Please do respect each other and our employees by wearing masks, sanitizing often and keeping your social distance when visiting. | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Free shipping on all orders over $100. | | | Valid for**lower 48 States**  Length limit of**46"**  **Does not** apply to custom orders. | | |  | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**SHOP BY SPECIES**](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033984a/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**SHOP TURNING WOOD**](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033984b/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) | | | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**SHOP SALE ITEMS**](https://ngt.soundestlink.com/link/5ed1318d4c41ae553033984c/5ed0f1f94c7fa403e0d2dce4/5e5fbc49bac16e19791c4c30?signature=b1db30baab4b763777762e8551e66e8e77a4206d57c01299458659d5b0b97ab2) | | | | | |