

WOOX

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FORTE



MANUAL & INSTALLATION GUIDE

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WOOX HERITAGE

When it comes to outdoor products and explorer accessories, some are made in a factory by scientists, and others are born on the workshop of an artisan with sawdust under his fingernails.

We are the creation when that artisan builds a lab. Drawing from over 100 years of Italian tradition and cutting-edge global technology, we are driven by a passionate group of enthusiasts who have made it their mission to bring the outdoor industry forward. This is the heritage of WOOX!

We are dedicated to providing advanced products and personal assistance that will transform your adventures - heirlooms to pass down to generations and stories to tell your grandchildren.

This is what we do.

Your Fellow Outdoorsman

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kendall Reep". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'K' and 'R'.

Kendall Reep

AX1 PRODUCT OVERVIEW

An inspired hybridization of classical American and Italian axe design, the Woox FORTE draws from the best of both schools to strike a perfect balance of features for the modern hand tool user. With a silhouette inspired by traditional Italian woodworking axes, the broad and mildly curved bit makes accurately connecting blows a snap, with a beard to assist in choking up on the handle for precise work when carving or crafting. It's unique blade is made of high quality German C60/1060 steel. deeply penetrating bit geometry makes chopping a breeze, while a concave high centerline helps act as a chip-breaker and smooths the bit-to-eye transition when splitting. A prominent hardened poll serves as an effective hammer face and optimizes the balance of the head to place the center of gravity inside the hand when choked up under the head for truly sublime control of the tool whether doing single-handed precise cuts or full two-handed chopping strokes. Last but not least, the large slip-fit eye allows for easy wedge-free handle replacement while preserving some effective amount of swell to the knob of the handle for a secure grip in relaxed hands. Compact and light enough to be easily packed but heavy enough to tackle big tasks, FORTE is sure to make for a constant companion, no matter the circumstances.

KEY FEATURES

- AXE HEAD: Manufactured from tempered carbon steel (C60/1060).
- Ground-breaking exclusively designed bit and head shape
- Hybridization of classical American and Italian axe design
- C60/1060 steel is a carbon engineering steel which has 0.57%-0.65% Carbon. It has characteristics similar to that of other carbon steels but it has high hardness and high strength after hardening. C60 has a tensile strength of 70-95 kg/mm² maintaining an excellent tenacity.
- Introduction hardened hardness over 57 HRC.
- Perfect balance of features for the modern hand tool user
- Silhouette inspired by traditional Italian woodworking axes,
- broad and mildly curved bit
- Real American Appalachian Hickory Handle
- Beard to assist in choking up on the handle
- Concave high centerline
- Prominent hardened poll serves as an effective
- Large slip-fit eye

SPECIFICATIONS

To view the detailed product specifications visit <https://wooxstore.com/products/axe-forte>



BENJAMIN BOUCHARD

Based in the coastal Down east region of Maine, A lifelong student of edged and agricultural hand tools, Benjamin Bouchard has worked for years within the industry as a designer and consultant. With a specialization in axes, fixed blade knives, machetes, and scythes, he has built a reputation for performance- and value-driven design. His constant guiding philosophy is that a good tool should be more fun to use than it is to buy.



CLEANING AND CARE

To clean the ax head:

- To clean your axe first make sure that the head is thoroughly dry. Use a WOOX bamboo cloth or a towel to remove excess water or moisture from the axe blade.
- If there is stubborn dirt or wood sap on the head, scrape it off with a wire brush. Large pieces can also be scraped off gently with a knife.
- If necessary, remove any remaining grime on the axe head with a WOOX degreaser or solvent or paint thinner.
- If you spot rust, scratch it off using sandpaper or steel wool and clean any particles with an oiled cloth or paper towel.
- Once the axe head is clean - you're ready to sharpen it.

For the handle:

- Clean any dirt and debris with WOOX bamboo cloth or a clean dry cloth.
- Once clean, rub a small amount of boiled linseed oil to help preserve the wood.

CLEANING AND CARE

How to Sharpen

Most axes don't need to be razor sharp.

With axes, your goal should be to get a clean, workman-like edge.

- Axe sharpening works best when the axe is locked in place. This way, both your hands are free to use the file for sharpening. turn the axe or blade flat so that it's parallel to the ground.
- In most circumstances, lubricating your stone is going to be a the right choice.
- AX Forte has a 15° scandi edge. In general, you want to aim for keeping the angle as similar as possible to what the edge is currently.
- Begin by spritzing the surface to keep a puddle of water on top. This helps lubricate the sharpening stone and move the metal and stone particles away as you sharpen.
- Start at the top edge of the blade, apply pressure downward while moving the blade back and forth over the top of the stone, with a slight rotation. A great way to make sure you sharpen the entire bit is to move in small circles and not long strokes.
- Sharpen each section in overlapping phases, applying an equal number of back-and-forth round sets to each section.
- Flip the blade over and repeat the process to the other edge of the Axe.
- To further hone the blade, flip the stone over, and repeat the process on both sides of the blade.
- When done sharpening, rinse the surface of the stone again with water let air-dry.

WARRANTY

We hope you are happy with your WOOX products. However, if you have experienced problems with your WOOX product, we encourage you to seek information in our FAQ section. You are also welcome to contact our Customer Support if you need assistance to troubleshoot any problems you are experiencing.

IMPORTANT: BY USING YOUR WOOX PRODUCTS BRANDED ITEMS, YOU ARE AGREEING TO BE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF OUR TWO-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY (“WARRANTY”) AS SET OUT BELOW.

Limited Hardware Warranty

Subject to the limitations set forth below, WOOX, LLC. (“WOOX”) warrants that its products will be free from defects in materials and workmanship, under normal use and service for two years from the date of purchase from WOOX or its authorized resellers.

You may return any new hardware product purchased from WOOX that arrives in damaged condition, for a full refund within 30 days of purchase. WOOX reserves the right to test these damaged returns and impose a customer fee equal to 15 percent of the product sales price if the customer misrepresents the condition of the product. Any returned product that is damaged through customer Any replaced or repaired product or part has a ninety (90) day warranty or the remainder of the initial warranty period, whichever is longer. This warranty does not apply to equipment that has been damaged or rendered defective,

- as a result of accident, misuse or abuse;
- by the use of parts not manufactured or sold by WOOX;
- by modification without prior written consent from WOOX;
- damage resulting from transit, neglect, power surge or failure, or operating environment;
- any event not due to normal wear and tear; or for -
- discontinued items;

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- periodic inspections for maintenance;
- failure of the product arising from incorrect installation or use not consistent with the instructions and technical or safety standards prescribed in the product user manual; or
- failure of any item as a result of not following the proper care instructions provided in the product user manual.

This limited warranty only applies to the original purchaser of the WOOX product with original proof of purchase.

Warranty and return service may be obtained by contacting WOOX Support within the applicable warranty period for a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number. Once an RMA number is issued, the defective product must be shipped back to WOOX prepaid, insured and wrapped in the original or similar shipping package to ensure that it will not be damaged during shipment. When returning defective product to WOX for service, the RMA number must be marked on the outside of the shipping package. Any product received at WOOX not packaged properly may be refused as out of warranty. Physically damaged products due to improper packaging will not be processed for warranty.

Any product returned without an RMA number may be rejected and sent back to the Customer at WOOX' discretion. WOOX disclaims any obligation to pay for the shipping of any such returned product, it being understood that the Customer shall bear the cost of returning such products.

This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights and does not, in any way, affect the rights given to you by law.

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