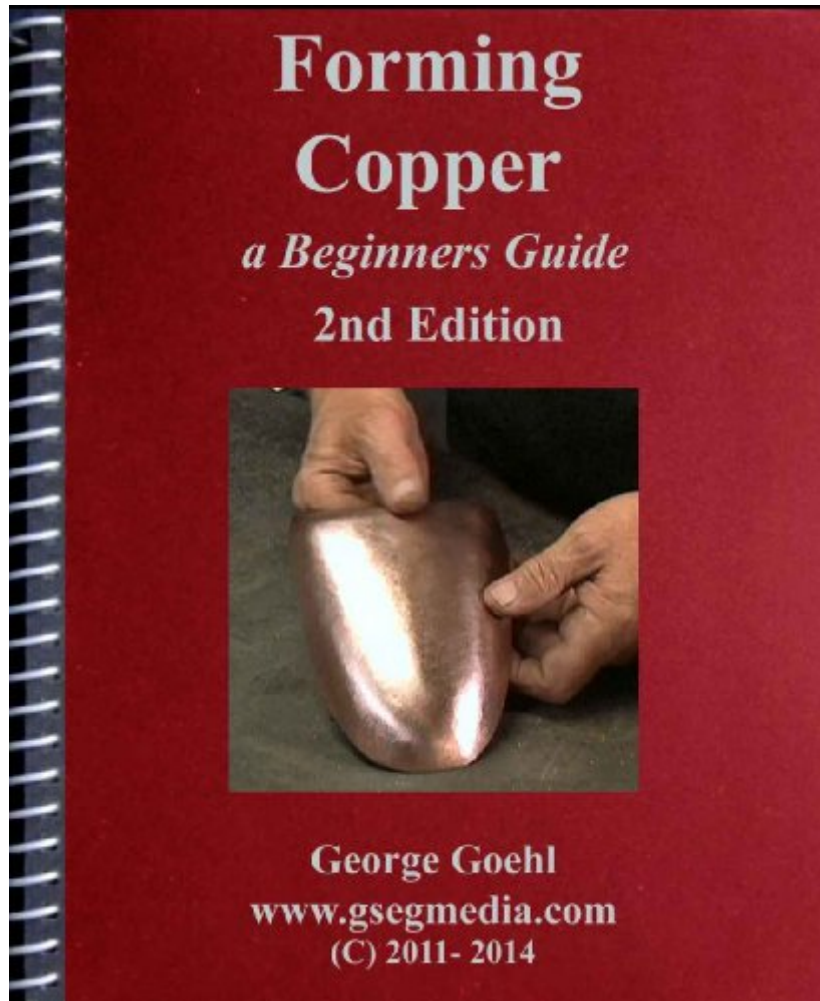


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# Forming Copper - 2nd Edition: A Beginner's Guide



## Synopsis

Since 1973 I've made my living designing, crafting and selling metal sculpture. I've taken what I have learned and produce instructional videos. One of the most popular of the DVDs is "Forming Copper". When it became possible to turn this into an eBook, I wrote the 1st edition in 2011, using some of the information in the DVD along with over 40 photos. Since 2007 I have been uploading short videos to YouTube. The total now stands at over 125 videos and growing. This 2nd edition includes over 80 photos. You will also find links to over 30 YouTube videos that relate to the text. This is still a beginner's guide. I am not a coppersmith. What's described and shown are the techniques I use to form copper. Included are simple copper forming tools that the average person can easily make at little or no cost. The book starts our talking about copper and where I buy copper. If you already know where to buy copper, then this part is rather boring and you will want to skip ahead. This book is easy to navigate. At the end of each subject there a "Back to Contents" link to take you up to back to the Table of Contents. The final line in the book is the most important: "Get your hands on some copper and begin working with it".

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This e-book, *Forming Copper - 2nd Edition: A Beginner's Guide Kindle Edition* by George Goehl is a wealth of information for one who does not know the ins and outs of getting copper to use for projects. I won't give the details, but this book will help you locate and use copper in many forms, sheet, rod, tubes and plate. From metal dealers who sell non-ferrous and other products that are useful to 's own offerings, you should be able to make many useful pieces of jewelry and your own designs, as you will. Good luck in your searches for used copper and make something nice. I like it.

George tells you the basics and more about beginning with metalsmithing. The book has many links to his very good videos as well. I was in a hotel that offered wifi and give that a chance for the first time. I got hooked on these expanded parts of an ebook! He even tells how to make some of your own tools in some sections. I have read this book a couple of times already. An A+ in my book!

I liked this quick overview and was perfect for the price. I especially enjoyed material that covered the different ways to obtain copper that did not involve retail purchase. Would like to see more from George Goehl on step by step projects for beginners-advanced.

Being a copper artisan with 16 years plus experience, I may be the wrong guy to critique this book. But, you knew I was going ahead anyway didn't you? ... From my perspective, it fell short in terms of giving sufficient information to truly launch a deeper involvement with copper. It will not hurt the beginner, but knowing that a few simple tools might get you started may lead to frustration when a reader finds how many more tools, chemicals, supplies, disposables, etc, etc. are truly a part of creating a fine finished item. If purchased, make it a part of your library, not THE library. The author is laudable in trying to do something that is difficult at best. I take nothing away from him ... I simply know that I now have a quarter of million dollars worth of tooling, equipment, supplies, etc. and ya know whut, it ain't enough.

This book, along with the videos made by George Goehl, are exactly what I needed to get started on making copper Jewelry. I love copper and all of the shades of colors one can get from it. This is a 'must read' book and his videos are 'must watch' for anyone who wants to gain an excellent base for Copper Metalsmithing.

This is a short, but informative manual for forming copper. I've watched numerous YouTubes with George Goehl and he's a great teacher. That same attention to detail and clear explanations are reflected in this book. I would recommend this book.

Simplicity, experience, and knowledge are the perfect words to define this book. I've found that every lesson from this author is totally useful, practical and non pretentious. I enjoyed every page and tested with great results. I strongly recommend it.

This is a very easy read with good photos. I finished it in an hour, feeling confident I can make some projects under consideration. As a wood & stone sculptor myself, all the tools and techniques were similar to what I have used but the author kept these very simple and easy to make or obtain for beginners.

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