

Alaia Workshop Term 3 2020

The Alaia is the original solid timber board used by the Hawaiians for hundreds of years before Europeans ever walked on water. These have made a recent resurgence with lightweight Paulownia timber that is buoyant and no fibre glassing needed. Now you have the opportunity to make your own custom Alaia decorated with your own pyrographic artwork. Shaping wood is a great analogy for shaping life as we get to share time together. Parent/child or partner combo welcome



Dates: Friday July 24, July 31, August 7, August 14 6.30-9.30pm (come as you are able after work and dinner) takes a min of three sessions to complete.

Cost: \$500 includes all materials including sustainable farmed Paulownia payment to Bsb 012482 Acc 222092326 includes non refundable \$50 deposit if cancelled within two weeks prior to class.

Who: Minimum of 3, Maximum of 6 people, no previous woodworking experience necessary. Parent/child combo welcome (hand surfer project added for kids for \$20 per child) a "paipo" bodyboard is also an alternative to full sized Alaia.

Location: Illawarra Woodwork School York Pl. Woonona (east side of distributor, far north end, head down north end of silos to workshop) Call me 0421399484 if lost

Content:

Week 1 – Introduction, safety, design, templates, gluing up

Week 2 – Marking out, cutting out, artwork layout, planer

Week 3 – Sanding, adding fittings, applying finish, pyrographic artwork

Pre Class Research:-

Article <http://www.theinertia.com/surf/your-weekend-diy-project-how-to-shape-an-alaia/>

video <https://vimeo.com/91584814> and they can be ridden...but barely by mere

mortals! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vnmH5eyr7pg>

If you can't make a class to make your own, buy one completed for \$500

About BD. Brett originally trained as a Design and Technology teacher. He enjoys salvaging his own timbers, woodturning, alaia timber surfboards and treehouse construction. He lives locally in Coledale.



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