

## Biography:

# Roy Underhill



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Roy Underhill was born in **1950** in the United States. He studied theater at the University of North Carolina and finished in **1972**. Later, he studied forestry at Duke University.

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Before working on television, Roy lived in New Mexico with his wife. They lived in simple houses and used hand tools for their work. This life helped Roy learn about traditional woodworking.

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In **1979**, Roy became the first master housewright at Colonial Williamsburg. In the same year, he started his TV show *The Woodwright's Shop* on PBS. The program teaches people how to use hand tools and work with wood.

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Roy also opened **The Woodwright's School** in Pittsboro, North Carolina. Here, he teaches students how to make things from wood without machines. People call him "Saint Roy" because he is kind and knows a lot about woodworking.

