

The Carving of a Canoe:

selected photographs from David Neel's

The Great Canoes: Reviving a Northwest Coast Tradition



Reprinted by Permission from the Author.



Elbow adzes are used to hollow the log. The straight sides of the canoe will be steamed and shaped into arcs, widening the canoe by a foot.





Pegs of a premeasured size help the carvers to achieve the correct thickness for the canoe's sides and bottom.



A young boy holds the canoe in place during the welcoming ceremony.