

FIRST PLACE - DAVID WATTERS Zionsville, Indiana

- . LT15 Sawmill (with 33' track)
- DoubleHard Blades
- · Project Size: 6,250 sq ft
- 62% of lumber cut on the mill: 30,00 BF
- · Estimated savings in lumber: \$80,000
- Wood species used: white oak, antique beech, sugar maple, black walnut, white pine, white cedar, hickory, antique walnut/maple, poplar, red oak, antique chestnut
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The Beamery's Barn

hen an organic farm needed a structure to serve as an office and equipment barn. David Watters had no problem making that happen. When the client saw old round barns around Indiana and wanted one of his own, David pushed timber framing to its limits by including two round barns in the design. "I tell people that if it has anything to do with timber, we'll try it at least once."

After nine months of hard work, the employees of The Beamery and their subcontractors created a building that is beautiful as well as multi-functional. The client wanted a design that was unique and had historical elements. Not only did the design incorporate historic lumber, but the mortise and tenon timber frame construction method used throughout the building adds extra historic value. Keeping in line with the organic nature of the farm, the building also includes several green elements, including a full geothermal heating system, structural insulated panels, and a wind generator. It's truly a one of a kind building.

David's LT15 and 33' bed length have proved invaluable in his business, allowing him to cut up to 18', he now can cut 24' white oak beams himself. He also

Dedicated to David's son, **Maximillian Watters**

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uses his LT15 to resaw reclaimed wood that other mills won't touch. For this project, he was able to cut the antique timber down to the sizes he needed and used 95% of the reclaimed lumber in the construction.



Watch a brand new video about how David Watters uses his LT15 for his timber framing company. Visit the Business Spotlight Video section of woodmizer.com.



HONORABLE MENTION - ROBERT LONG Tecumseh, Ohio

- LT40 Hydraulic Sawmill
- DoubleHard Blades
- Project Size: Varying sizes of approx. 28" x 18" x 6"
- 100% of lumber cut on the mill
- Estimated savings in lumber: \$2,000
- · Wood species used: oak, walnut, cherry

Five Clocks for Five Brides

hen five of his nieces and nephews got engaged in the same year, Robert Long made each couple a unique clock as a wedding gift. The clocks became an exciting feature at the family weddings as everyone began to look forward to seeing what the next one would look like. These clocks exhibit true craftsmanship and attention to detail. Robert used

mortise and tenon joints exclusively without using a single nail. He also did all of the work on his own, from milling all the wood on his LT40 to building boxes for each clock and gift wrapping them. These classic, hand-crafted timepieces will surely be cherished by Robert's family for years to come. W