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This comprehensive guide presents time-tested techniques for using and maintaining vintage crosscut saws. It

includes descriptions of different types of crosscut saws, saw handles, and wedges, as well as instructions for bucking logs with crosscut saws. Numerous illustrations and photos explain the key points.

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