

Wheat Flour Milling from Millstones to Rollers

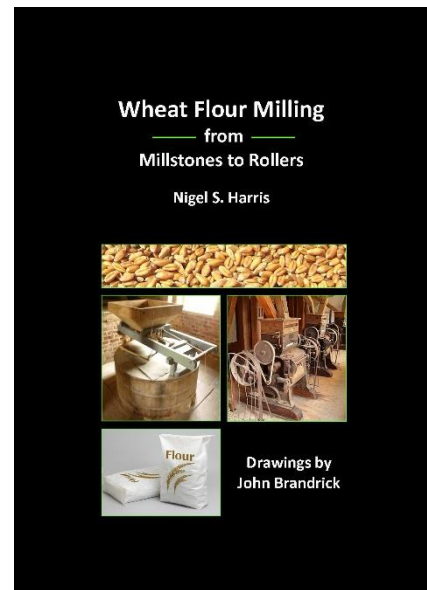
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Wheat flour milling underwent a radical change during the 25 year period from 1875 to 1900. The drive for the change came from continental Europe and the United States, where new flour mills had been built containing sophisticated machinery developed in an attempt to extract as much flour as possible from the wheat grain.

For a period the UK flour industry was resistant to change and unable to compete with the foreign competition. In the new mills metal rollers replaced traditional millstones which had been in use for more than 2000 years. Wind and water powered mills gave way to steam and eventually electricity as the mill's energy source. Traditional water and wind powered millstone mills could not compete and very quickly fell into serious decline.

This book overviews the roller mill revolution, its development and the milling industry today.

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