

Antique Wooden Kitchen Items

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Antique wooden kitchen items like scrapers, scoops, spoons, and bowls have a rich history dating back centuries. Wooden spoons and bowls were among the earliest kitchen utensils. They were used for a variety of purposes including food preparation and serving. Today these vintage items are cherished antiques.



Noggin pitcher, Cherry, American, circa 1830–1860
fashioned from a single piece of wood. The term “noggin” dates to the mid-17th century and historically referred to a small wooden cup or mug used as drinking vessel.



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Scoop Spoon, maple,
American, 19th century



Butter Mold, Cherry, lathe turned,
factory produced, American, circa 1895



Piggin Bucket, pine,
New England, circa
1830–1860, *used for
dipping liquids; also used
on whale boats for bailing
out the bilge*



Scraper, tiger maple dough
bowl scraper, Tennessee, circa
1800



Anna Safley Houston, pioneering
businesswoman and antiques collector,
curated a remarkable collection of over
15,000 items, spanning glassware,
pottery, textiles, furniture, and
much more.

