

Shell Shocked Abalone Pen Blank Instructions



1. Using a band saw or sanding table set at 45 degrees, cut or sand off the four corners of the blank until it looks like a stop sign. This will help keep from catching and cracking the blanks.
2. Place on the lathe using WoodPenPro bushings, two blanks can be turned at a time, and get ready to sand.

3. Start sanding with 60 or 80 grit sand paper to remove the excess material until you are in close proximity to the finished diameter. Switch to finer grits and sand until the blank matches the bushing size. Wet sand as much as possible to help reduce heat buildup. Excess heat is your enemy, so don't get too aggressive or spend too much time in one area. Finish sand as you would other acrylics by wet sanding as high as 400 to 800 grit.
4. Polish wet with Micro-Mesh[®] pads available under the Bushings and Supplies section at WoodPenPro.com.
5. Final polish using a high grade plastic polish and assemble using the appropriate pen kit instructions (available in the Instructions section at WoodPenPro.com).

If you have any problems, feel free to contact me at your convenience.

