

Instructions for the Panda Inlay Kit

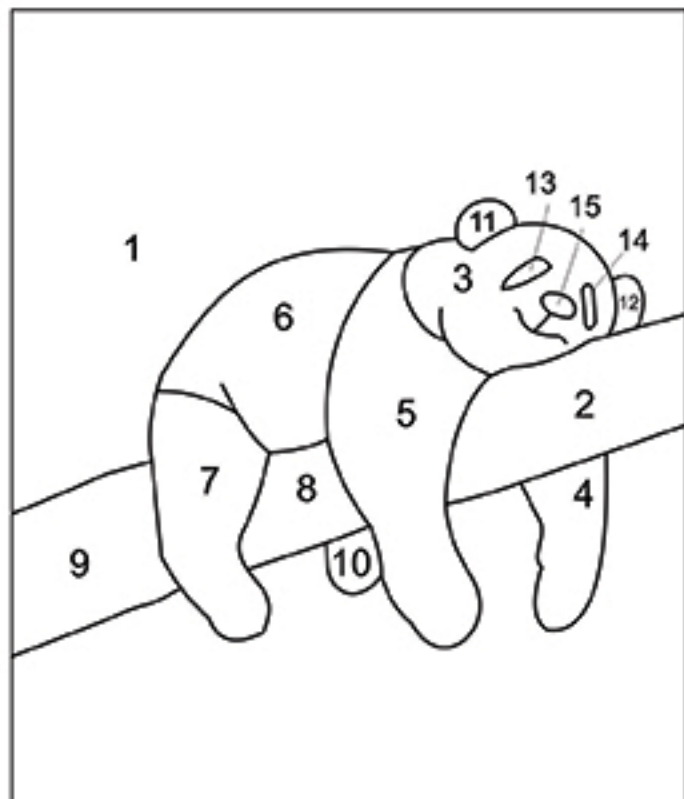


We're going to start by making sure all pieces are included and none are broken. If there are any missing or broken pieces, call or e-mail Ken at (702)523-9236 or kallenshaan@cox.net to get replacements. Even if you didn't purchase your inlay kit directly from Kallenshaan Woods, use this contact info as our vendors don't carry replacement parts.

To start assembly, temporarily slide the brass tube from your pen kit into the green dyed basswood barrel. Do not glue at this time as this is just for support and alignment while pressing in the other pieces. Assemble the pieces in numerical order starting with #2 (tree branch) using the supplied elastic bands to hold the pieces in place as needed.

Once all pieces are in place and secured with the elastic bands, carefully remove the brass tube. Using a disposable artists paint brush, apply thin CA glue to all of the seams on the inlay blank.

Once the thin CA glue has completely cured we're going to glue in the brass tube. Check the fit to see if you need to sand the inside of the barrel for the brass tube to fit smoothly. We use our sanding



mandrel for this but if you don't have one yet you can wrap a piece of sandpaper (100G-150G) around a small dowel and sand the inside until the brass tube fits smoothly. Scuff up the brass tube with 100G sandpaper before gluing. We strongly suggest using 2-part epoxy (definitely not CA glue or Polyurethane (Gorilla) to glue the brass tube in place. Position the brass tube so everything aligns to the center. Once all glue has cured, sand the ends flush to the brass tube (don't use a barrel trimmer) and mount on the lathe for turning and finishing. We use a CA glue finish on all of our inlay kit pens but any other finish you prefer will work well.