

Instructions for the Honeybee Inlay Kit



The first thing we have to do is to make sure that you've received all of the pieces in the kit and that none are broken. If there are any missing or broken pieces, call Ken at (702)523-9236 or e-mail at kallenshaan@cox.net to get replacements. Even if you didn't purchase your inlay kit directly from Kallenshaan Woods, use this contact info as vendors do not carry replacement parts.

There's a total of 9 black rings, 3 black hexagons, 6 yellow rings and 1 yellow hexagon ring. Stack the rings on each barrel using the brass tube from the pen kit to align the pieces. When properly aligned, carefully remove the brass tube and (while pressing both ends of the assembly with your thumb and forefinger) brush the seams with thin CA glue using a disposable artists brush.

Once the thin CA glue has completely cured we're going to glue in the tubes. Check the fit to see if you need to sand the inside of the barrels 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 tubes fits smoothly. Scuff up the brass tubes with 100G sandpaper before gluing. I prefer 2-part epoxy to glue the tubes in place. Position the brass tubes so they align to the center of the patterns. Once all glue has cured, sand the ends flush to the brass tube (don't use a barrel trimmer) and 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.

