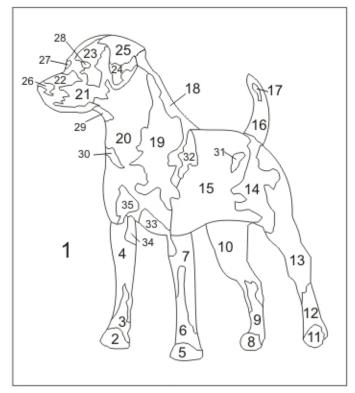
Instructions for the Black Labrador Inlay Kit



The Black Lab inlay kit has a total of 35 pieces. The best way to start is to lay out the pieces on a clean work area. Using the drawing at the bottom of this instruction sheet as a guide check to make sure all the pieces are accounted for. We'll be assembling and gluing the pieces as we go using thin CA glue and also using spray accelerator to speed up the drying process. Slide the brass tube from your pen kit into the maple background barrel and position the paws and legs in place in numerical order starting with piece #2-7. Once #7 is in place, slide out the brass tube and use a drop or 2 of thin CA followed by a quick shot of accelerator to secure these. Slide the brass tube back in and repeat with pieces #8, 9 and 10. Use the same gluing procedure and then procede to pieces #11-14. Wrap these tightly with one of the supplied elastic bands (double wrap if necessary to close any gaps), remove the brass tube and secure with thin CA. Next comes the body #15, tail #16 and tail accent#17. Position and glue these 3. You might want to press the #15 body piece tight toward the rear of the dog while your gluing this for a tight fit. Now, position and secure pieces #18, 19, and 20 with a couple of elastic bands, remove the brass tube and carefully apply a small bit of thin CA glue to these pieces making sure everything is properly aligned. Put the brass tube back in and fit the head and muzzle pieces #21 and 22 in place, followed by #23, 24 and 25. Before gluing this up, insert pieces #26, 27, 28 and 29. That should be all of the pieces in the head/face area. Remove the brass tube and flood this area with thin CA. You can now glue in the remaining 6 pieces and then flood all the seams with thin CA glue.



Now we'll glue the brass tube into the blank. Check the fit of the tube as you might have to lightly sand the inside of the blank for a good fit. If you do, wrap a small dowel with 100G sandpaper and sand the inside of the barrel until the tube fits smoothly. Use 2-part epoxy to glue in the brass tube. Make sure the tube is perfectly centered so there's the same amount of space on either end. Once the glue has cured, sand the ends flush with the brass tube using a belt or disc sander. Don't use a barrel trimmer. Now you can mount the blank on the lathe for final turning and finishing. Apply whatever finish you're comfortable with as they all work well with these inlay kits.

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