Assembly Instructions for the Fall Leaves Inlay Kit



We're going to start this kit by inserting the brass tube from your pen kit into the curly maple barrel supplied with the inlay kit. This is just for support while you press in the leaves. Refer to the drawing and chart so you'll know what leaf goes with each of the recesses. Secure with the supplied elastic bands as you go. Once they're all in place remove the brass tube and flood with thin CA glue. Don't worry about the elastic bands as we'll turn them away later on the lathe.

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, use a small dowel wrapped with 100g sandpaper. Use 2-part epoxy to glue in the brass tube. 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. Apply whatever finish you're comfortable with as they all work well with the inlay kits.



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