Instructions for the Short Haired Kitten Pen 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 <u>kallenshaan@cox.net</u> 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.

The Short Haired Kitten inlay kit has a total of 20 pieces. We're going to start by inserting piece #2 into the curly maple background. Use a pair of needle nose pliers to break the hind leg off at the location shown in the drawing. Start with lining up the tail first. Once the main body is in place, insert the broken leg piece. Temporarily slide the brass tube into the barrel for support when inserting the remaining pieces. Secure the pieces with the supplied elastic bands as you go. Also, when you get a few pieces in place, remove the brass tube and carefully brush some thin CA glue using a disposable artists brush dipped in your CA glue bottle. Spray the area with activator to speed up drying time.

From here continue in numerical order. You'll notice the centers of the blue eyes don't have pieces to fill. Fill these little dots with thin CA glue using a pin or needle and you'll be good to go.

Now we'll glue the brass tube into the blank. Check the fit of the tube as you might have to sand the inside of the blank for a good fit. If you do, wrap a small dowel with 100G sandpaper or purchase our sanding mandrel (specifically designed for this) from our website for \$7.00 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 for this.

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. E-mail me at kallenshaan@cox.net with any thoughts or ideas regarding this or any of our other kits.



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