

Assembly Instructions for the Soccerball Inlay Kit



This kit is made with green dyed basswood, Holly and African Blackwood. There are 3 recesses in the maple for the soccerballs. We'll start by sliding the brass tube into the basswood barrel and then fitting the holly soccerball sections into position. Secure these with the supplied elastic bands. There are 4 blackwood pieces that will now be fit into each of the 3 soccerballs. Once all of these pieces are in position, remove the brass tube and flood the footballs with thin CA glue. Allow to dry.

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 for this. Now you can mount the blank on the lathe for final turning. Although we prefer a CA finish for these, you can apply whatever finish you're comfortable with as they all work well with the inlay kits.

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