

Instructions for the Edelweiss Inlay Kit (Sierra Pen Kit)

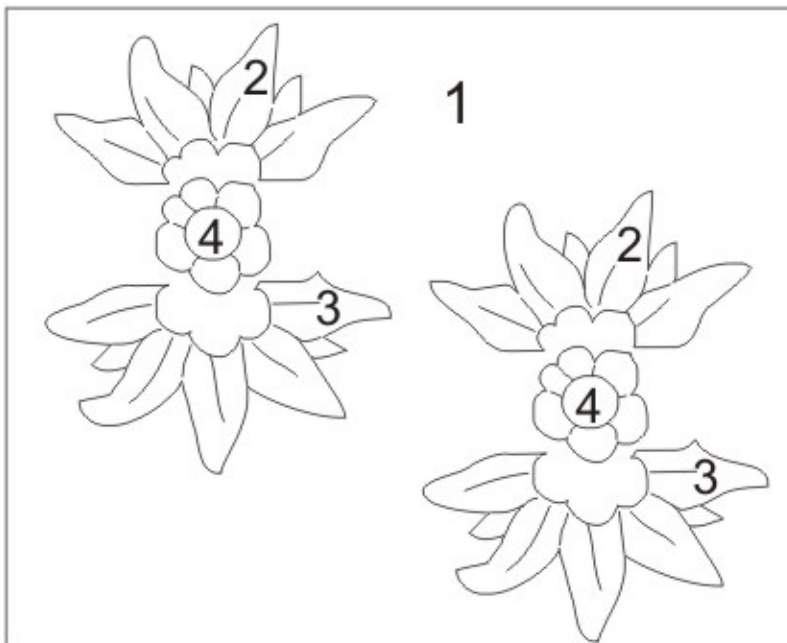


We're going to start this kit by inserting the brass tube from your pen kit into the dyed Maple Burl background barrel (#1) from the inlay kit. Do not glue anything at this time. Now we can insert the flower pieces into that barrel. Secure both flowers with the provided elastic bands and remove the brass tube. Now you can flood all of the seams on both flowers with thin CA (cyanoacrylate) 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.



By the way, the woods used in this kit are dyed Maple Burl, American Holly and yellow dyed Basswood.

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