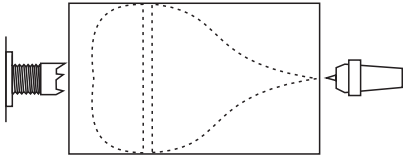


TEARDROP BOX

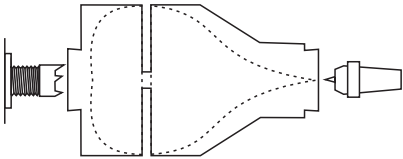
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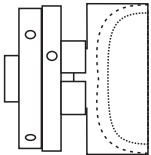
This box was made using African Blackwood to produce a wonderful smooth glossy black teardrop. Other woods may be used and decorations may be added.



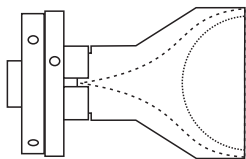
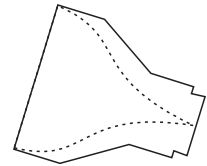
Mark up the wood for between-centres turning. Mount it between centres and round it off.



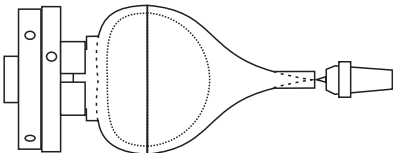
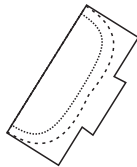
Cut a chuck bite on both ends. Roughly shape the block. Part the block. Set the top part aside.



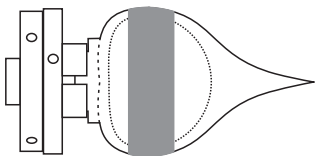
Mount the bottom part in the chuck. Hollow it and cut the rim to accept the top part. Finish all these surfaces. Remove the finished bottom from the chuck.



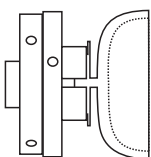
Mount the top part in a chuck. Hollow it and cut the rim with a lip to accept the bottom part. Finish all these surfaces. Take this top part out of the chuck.



Mount the box bottom in the chuck. Fit the box top onto the bottom. Bring up the tailstock to hold it firmly in place. Cut as much as possible of the box outside to shape. Sand and finish this area.



Tape the top securely to the bottom. Take the tailstock away. Carefully finish the top of the box.



Remove the tape and set the top of the box aside. Finish the curve of the bottom and part off the base of the box. Hand finish the under side or remount the box bottom on a jam chuck to finish it.

