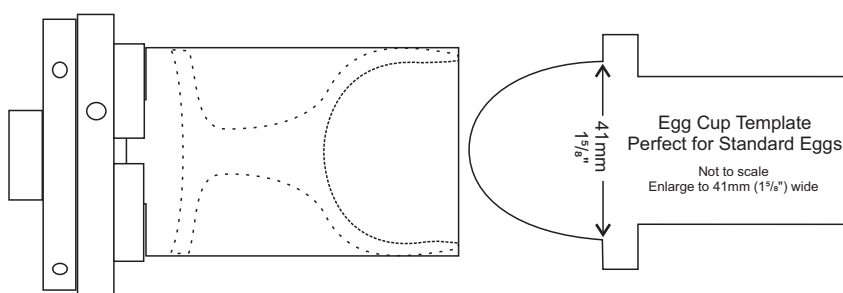


EGG CUP

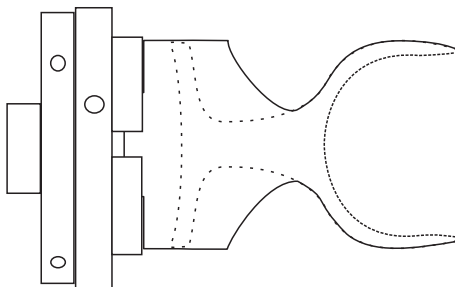
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Before starting to make your egg cup you should make an egg cup template - see page 3 of this project for a scale plan of this template.

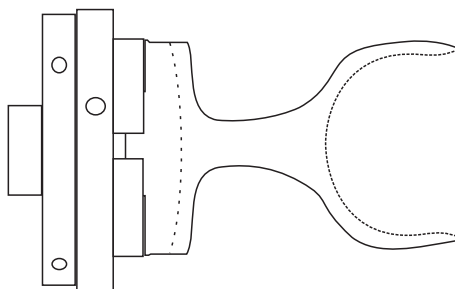
For the egg cup use a block 50 x 50 x 100mm (2 x 2 x 4 inches) to make the egg cup size to match the template shown. Mount this in a scroll chuck. The grain should be lengthwise - running between head and tail of the lathe. After mounting, thin the block down to almost the desired outside diameter for the cup.



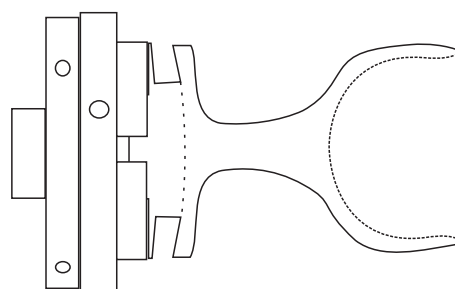
Hollow the cup to exactly the width and depth of the template. The curve between the width of the top and the bottom may be wider than the template curve, but not narrower. Sand the inside.



Shape the outside of the cup. The wall thickness does not need to be even or thin, and may be thicker at the bottom of the cup.



Cut the foot to its finished diameter. Be generous with foot size for the egg cup to be stable on the table or plate. Cut the stem down to size - this is better if it is reasonably thick.



Start of the parting off cut. Sand and finish all surfaces of the egg cup. Part off and hand finish the bottom.

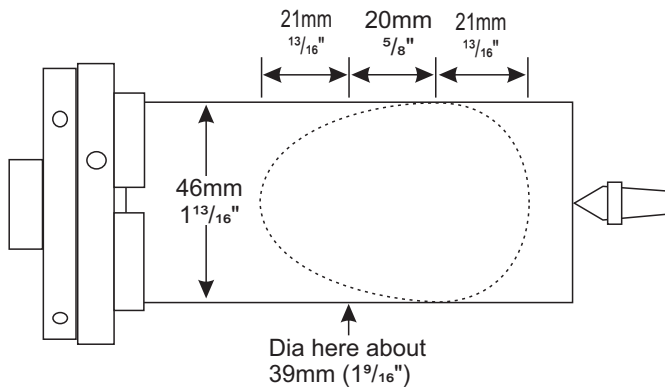


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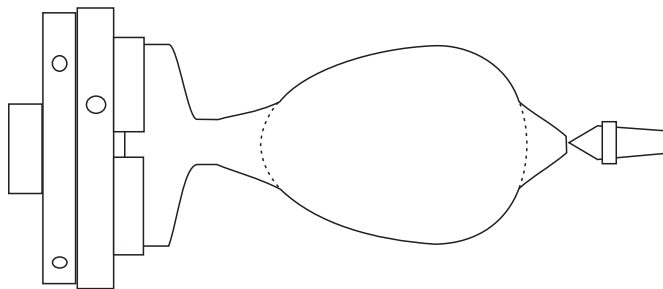
As shown by Phread Thurston

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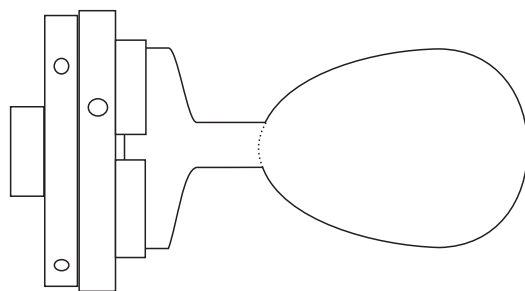
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Bring up the tailstock if you require greater security. Turn the wood down to 46mm (1¹³/₁₆") diameter. Measure and mark the widest point of the egg with a soft pencil. Note that these measurements follow the 'Rule of Thirds' but supermarket eggs have their widest point a little closer to the narrow end of the egg.



Turn the outside shape. Use part of the egg template to get the curve right. For the early cuts leave the tailstock in contact and the wood between the egg and chuck a little thick.



Finish the shape apart from the attachment to the chuck, and cut that part as thin as possible. Sand and finish the egg surface. Part it off with the long point of a sharp skew. Hand sand the end.

Decorate, or enjoy the natural grain.



EGG AND EGG CUP TEMPLATES

This is a suggested egg shape and size. Store bought edible hen eggs do not vary greatly from place to place around the world, but the size names used for marketing do. These drawings are to a size similar to an egg purchased in a supermarket. Print this page and check by measuring the scales at the lower left that your printer has not changed the size. Glue the paper to card or thin metal and make templates to work from.

