

SINGLE TOOL HANDLE

This is the making of a handle for a woodturning chisel, or similar tool. Before putting any wood on the lathe you need to decide what size of handle you like. Look at and measure your most comfortable chisels. Different chisels can be better with differing handle sizes so know what tool you are making the handle for. With these data in hand you can plan the length, diameter, and shape of handle to make. Measure the tang of the chisel you plan to put in the handle and obtain a suitable ferrule.



In a chuck mount a length of straight-grained wood that is your required size, plus the additional part needed for holding it in the chuck. Bring the tailstock up. Turn this wood to round.



Drill a hole of the diameter and depth required to take the tang of your tool firmly into the wood.



Bring up the tailstock again. Turn the ferrule end to take your ferrule firmly. Do not fit the ferrule. Cut the handle to shape, sand, and finish. Part it off and hand finish the parting cut.

