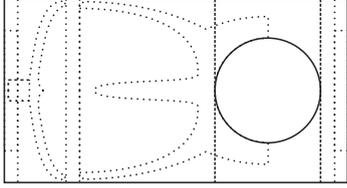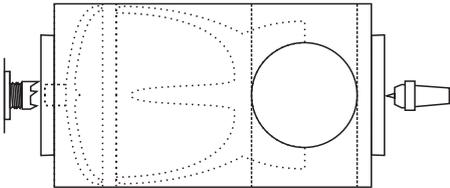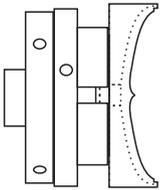# Ring Box

A Garry Jones design

This is a box for the storage of rings, and other small jewellery, with additional space for frequently used rings to be on the outside of the box.
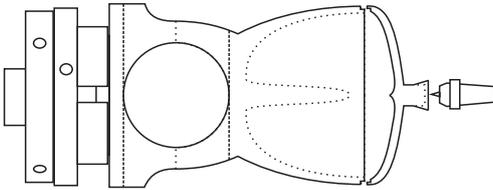
Start with wood that is 70 square and 130mm long. For best results the square should be perfect. Mark a line around the block 30mm from one end. Mark the centre point on that line on each side. Drill a 40mm hole from each centre point to the middle of the block.
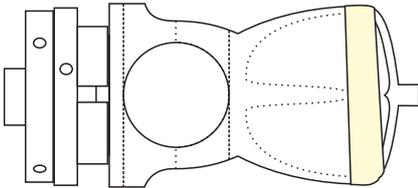
Mount the wood between centres on the lathe. Make it round and turn a spigot on both ends.
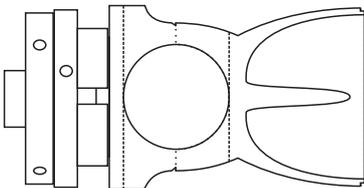
Mount the wood by the box lid end in a chuck. Part the box body from the lid. True up the face. Cut a recess at the edge of the lid for later fitting to the box body. Hollow the box lid. Sand and finish all these surfaces.
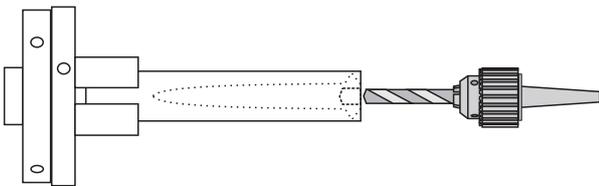
Mount the box base on the chuck. True up the face. Cut a recess to fit the box lid. Fit the box lid on and bring up the tailstock to hold it. Turn as much of the outside as you can down to the finished shape. Sand and finish this area.
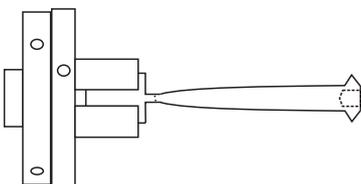
Tape the lid securely to the base. Remove the tailstock. Finish cutting the spigot that is to hold the finial to 8mm high and 8mm diameter.

Remove the lid. Hollow, sand and finish the inside of the box. Part off the legs at exactly half way down the drilled holes. Do this gently by first marking the cut-off point with a skew tip and then sawing each leg. Sand and finish the legs.

For the finial mount a 25mm square x 100mm long piece of straight-grained wood. Turn it round and drill an 8mm diameter hole 9mm into the end of the wood.

Turn the finial to shape. A bold element at the bottom keeps rings off the box lid. A smooth spire allows rings to be placed and removed with ease.

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