



New to Pen Turning?

Here is a list that we've put together of tools and materials required for pen turning:

- Lathe
- Turning tools/chisels
- Pen Mandrel
- Pen Kit - This will include all the hardware required to make the pen including end cap, brass tube, nib, pen refill, centre band
- Drill Bit - To drill the hole to fit in the brass tube/s (*Different for each pen kit*)
- Bushes - To use as a guide to turn the material to size to fit the brassware of the pen (*Different for each pen kit*)
- Pen Reamer - To square off the pen blank at the ends for a nice clean cut (*Different for each pen kit*)
- CA Glue / Super Glue - To adhere the brass tube into the pen blank
- Sand Paper - To rough up the brass tube before adhering to the tube to the pen blank
- Finish - To polish and finish the pen blank (this can be a variety of waxes, shellac polishes) we would suggest not to worry about this until you have practiced a few times with the turning

We would strongly suggest for you to have a look at our pen turning videos. This will give you a better idea of what is required, and it's a lot easier to see it happening in front of you.

<http://www.timberbits.com/page/videos/>

Another suggestion we would make is for you to visit or join a Woodworking Club - just have a search online for your nearest club. There are always people who are willing to lend a helping hand and show you the fundamentals of turning, you'll also be able to have access to lathes and other machines (saves you from having to spend on a lathe since you're only a beginner).

Good luck with it all. Be warned, pen turning will get addictive after a while!