

How to add Bands to Your Caps

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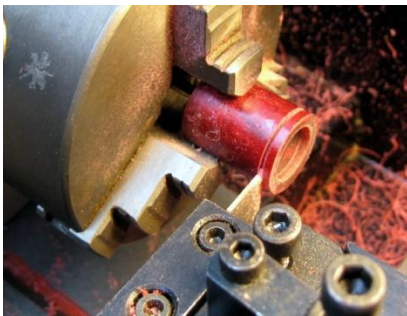


Adding Bands to your Caps

I have been asked many times how I add the decorative bands to the pen caps I make. This short tutorial should give you a pretty good start.



For a 12mm Triple Start tap & die, I use a 13mm drill bit. Drill deep enough to part off whatever thickness you want your material band to be. You can use this same method for your metal bands, or use flat washers.



Cut a tenon 12.96mm diameter long enough for your bands, and some extra, to slide into your blank, after drilling. (see below)



Glue your bands onto the tenon. I use two part 5 minute epoxy, but usually have time to let it set overnight .



I usually have another metal band, not shown in the photo. Part the tenon, and bands off behind the metal band however thick you want it to be.



Measure the length of your tenon now, then drill your blank that same depth.



Glue your tenon, and bands onto your blank. 5 minute epoxy for me, and again, I wait til next day.



Now you're all set for drilling, tapping and turning.

Hope this helps!