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Changing the way you think about wood... one piece at a time.

Mini Workshop / Demo: **Getting to Know Your Bowl Gouge.**

Overview

Primary Audience: Beginner (Experienced turners may also learn a thing or two.)

Time: 1 hour

Prerequisites: None.

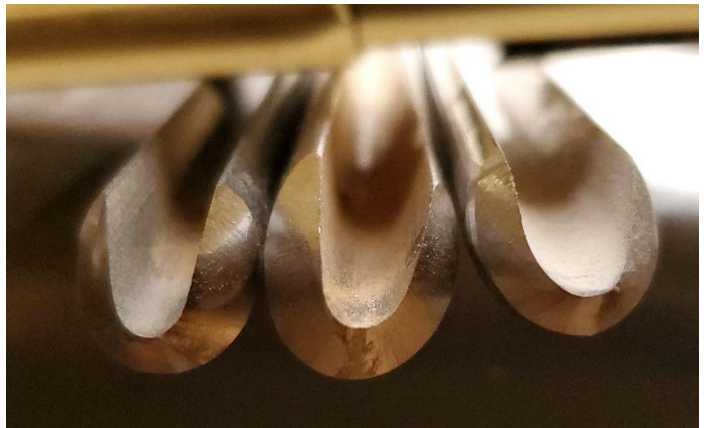
Note: Those participants able to stream video of their lathe may receive immediate feedback on their technique. Class size is limited to maximize the interactive learning experience.

Objective.

Deeper understanding of the bowl gouge, how to use it, and how not to.

Introduction.

The bowl gouge, in my opinion, is one of the most versatile tools in the woodturner's arsenal. If I could have but one tool, this would be it.



In this lesson I will turn a bowl to show you...

- How to use the bowl gouge to safely start turning a bowl from irregular blank.
- What cuts you can use to shape the bottom and sides.
- How to present the gouge to avoid serious catches.
- The ABCs of tool control.
- Several ways to hold the gouge for best control.
- Different ways to grind the gouge, why and when it matters.
- Why you may want to have more than one gouge, each with a different grind.
- Why it is important to grind a primary and secondary bevel.
- How to get rid of ridges and grooves to prepare for sanding.
- Why you may have problems cutting in the transition area between the side and bottom and how to fix them.
- How to begin a plunge cut without skating.
- Techniques to make bowl gouge geometry work for you, not against you.

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