

Make a Jemima Puddleduck



Oak body with sun bonnet in yew.
Finish : Sander sealer and wax

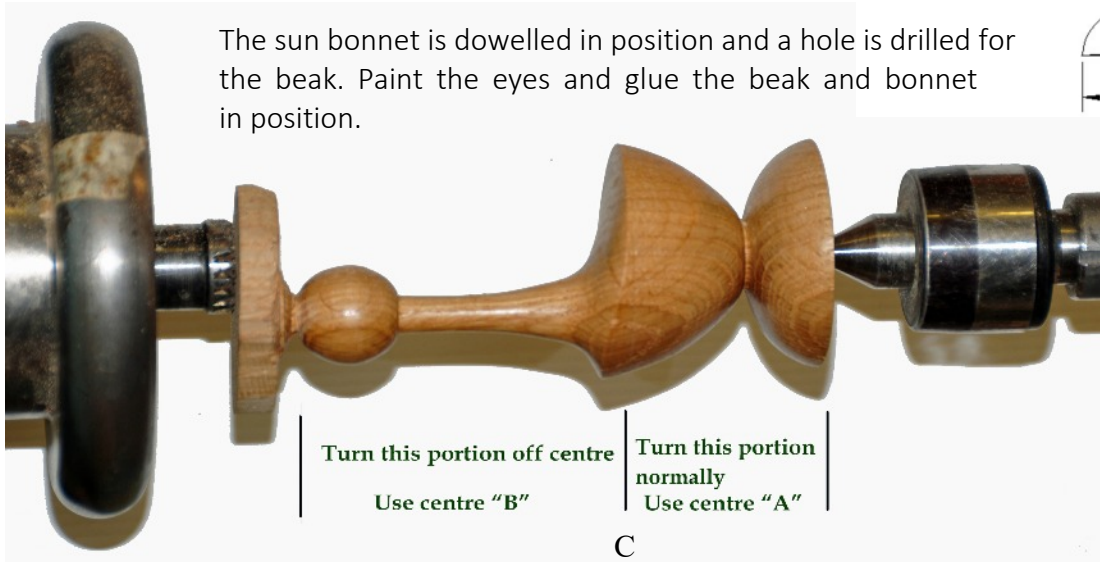
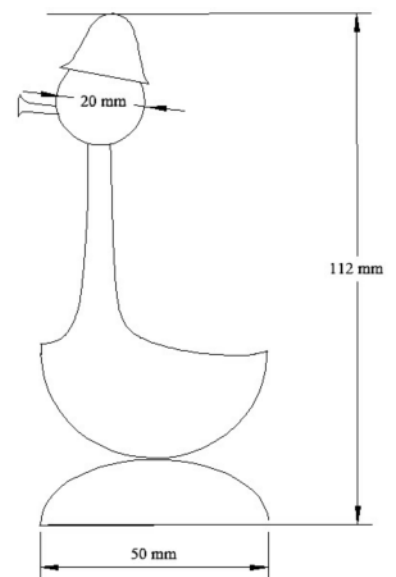
If you fancy doing some off centre turning this could be a good project. As off centre projects go it is fairly straight forward although it would best suit someone who has done some turning rather than a complete beginner.

A piece of timber about 125 mm long by 55 mm wide makes a suitable blank for the body. At the end of the blank mark the centre as normal and then mark a second centre 15 mm from the first. (See diagram bottom right). Mirror these two points at the other end of the blank.

Mount the timber between centres at "A" and turn the base and the lower body. Make sure when turning the base you do not make it so small you compromise the centre at "B". Next mount the timber between centres at "B" making sure the work clears the toolrest. Turn the off centre section.

There may be a tendency for the lathe to vibrate as the timber will now be out of balance so reduce the speed to just below the level it begins to vibrate. It is often helpful to use a heavier tool to tackle the off centre part of the project.

Try to avoid tear out at point "C" by making gentle cuts especially with the final cuts. Sand and Finish.



The sun bonnet is dowed in position and a hole is drilled for the beak. Paint the eyes and glue the beak and bonnet in position.

Turn this portion off centre
Use centre "B"

Turn this portion normally
Use centre "A"

C

