

Novice Turner Project

I know you will all be busy making 'woodpeckers' for the Christmas competition so you have until January for this challenge.

This too should be a bit of fun.

Model Pig.

Rough a piece of timber down to a cylinder 40mm in diameter. Slightly dish the middle to give the body some shape. Sand and finish. Drill 4mm (or similar) hole to accept a dowel to attach the head.

The head is almost a sphere, about 30mm in diameter with a slight protrusion for the nose. Drill a similar hole to allow a dowel to attach the head to the body. Sand and finish.

The nostrils, eyes and tail can be added using pyrography, wire, fabric or other material as appropriate - your choice. The legs, around 30mm in length can be turned from commercial dowel or timber of your choice. Drill holes into the body at a very slight angle to fit. Sand and finish.

Glue the head, body and legs together.

It is surprising how many different shapes can still be recognised as 'pig'. If you have time try making different shaped heads and see!

NOTE: As there are strict rules regarding the manufacture of 'toys' this is a model not a toy. If you have young children be careful that pieces of the model don't become detached and a possible danger.

This is a very rough sketch to get you started;

