

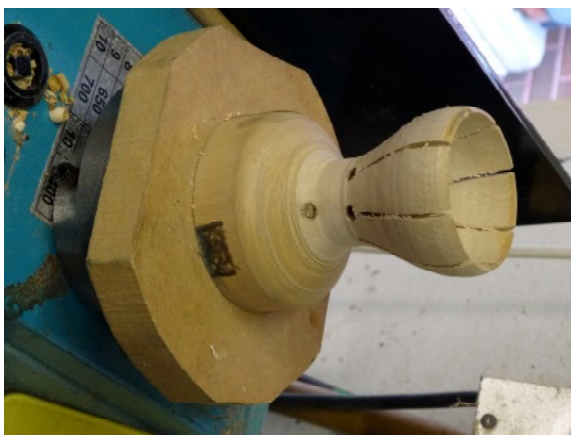
Egg and Egg Cup



Egg and cup are shown here in Yew wood

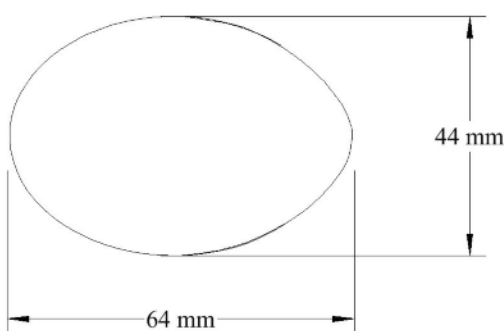
What came first the egg or the egg cup ? Without getting philosophical lets just say it is up to you . So lets start with the egg.

Mount a suitable blank in a scroll chuck and reduce down to the maximum diameter (44 mm). Mark the centre line and shape either side of the line with a 10 mm spindle or bowl gouge. Use the template to check the profile and spot flat sections. Sand and finish but do not part off yet at the headstock end.



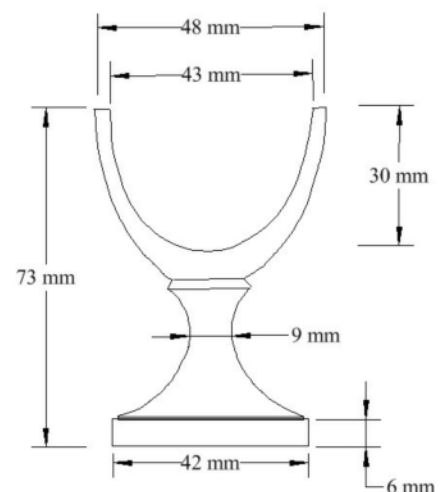
This home made jig (left) can be used to part off the spigot on the egg. It makes it easier to get a clean finish

This jig is featured in Keith Rowley's book "Woodturning Projects"



Full size templates for this project are available at www.gaw.org.uk

Egg Cup



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Some tissue paper helps protect the surface of the egg. Carefully remove the waste and sand and finish just before the finally parting off



Now for the egg cup. Mount a suitable blank in a scroll chuck and rough down to size and drill a hole about 1 inch deep in the centre. When hollowing out start from the centre using a 10 mm spindle or bowl gouge



I kept an eye on the inside profile with the full sized template provided. The inside of the cup was then gently sanded and finished



Now shape the outside of the cup still using the 10mm spindle gouge. The template confirms we are on track with the shape.



Complete the turning of the cup using the same gouge

Turn the speed down to sand. The plan calls for some fine detail to the base and stem and I find it is advantageous to add these after sanding so that the finished detail remains crisp. When you are happy part off.

