

Mill Body

Turning an Artisan[®] Crank Top Pepper Mill

Supplies Needed

- 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" Blank •
- Sandpaper/Finish 1-1/2" Forstner Drill Bit Drill or Drill Press •

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• Eye and Ear Protection

- 1-1/16" Forstner Drill Bit
- 15/16" Drill Bit

Selecting the Blank

1. Select a 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" x 3-1/2" blank with the grain running lengthwise.

Mounting the Blank

- 1. Mount the blank between centers and rough turn the blank to round.
- 2. Square the ends of the blank. Cut a 1/4" long dovetail tenon on each end for mounting in a 4 jaw chuck. (See Figure. 1)

Figure. 1



Drilling the Mill Body

- **1.** Mount the Mill Body in a chuck gripping the dovetail tenon.
- 2. Drill a 1-1/2" dia. hole 3/8" deep.
- **3.** Drill a 1-1/16" dia. hole 3/32" deep.
- 4. Now drill a 15/16" hole half way through the blank.
- 5. Reverse the blank in the chuck and check it to make sure it runs true and tighten it.
- **6.** Drill a 1-1/2" hole 1/8" deep.
- 7. Drill a 15/16" hole through the blank until it meets the existing hole leaving a 15/16" hole through the entire blank.

Precaution:

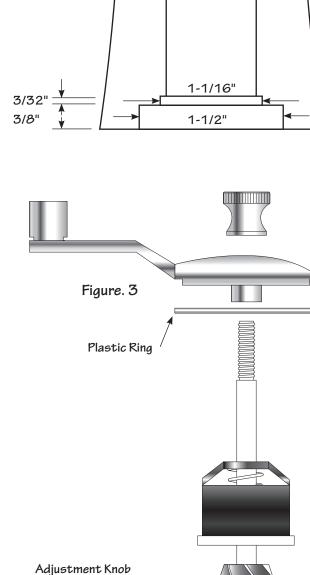
• The hole depths must be accurately drilled or the mechanism will not work.

Turning the Mill Body

- **1.** Mount a 2" to 3" diameter by 2" long waste block on the lathe using a chuck or faceplate.
- 2. Turn a 1-1/2" long tenon to fit very snugly into the 15/16" dia. hole in the Mill Body. Leave a small shoulder at the base of the tenon. Test the fit of the tenon to the hole until you have the right fit.
- 3. Mount the blank onto the tenon and turn to your desired shape. Support the blank using the tailstock whenever possible.
- 4. Sand and finish the blank.
- 5. Assemble the pepper mill according to figure. 3.

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Top View

Figure. 2

1 - 1/2"

15/16"

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2-7/8"