

Aston Pen Kit Instructions

Required Materials

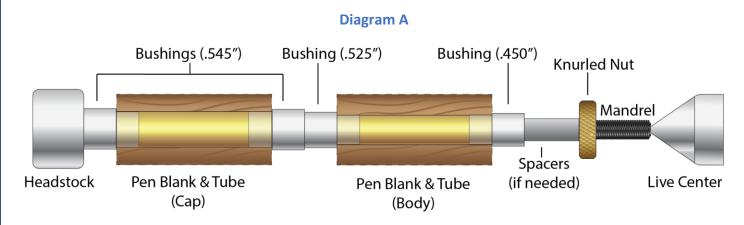
- 7mm pen mandrel
- Set of Aston Pen Kit bushings
- 10mm and 15/32" drill bit
- CA (cyanoacrylate) glue or two-part fast-drying epoxy
- Pen blank
- Pen press, vise, or clamp
- Sanding supplies and finish

Blank Preparation

- 1. Cut blank to length of brass tubes, plus an additional 1/16" on each end for squaring off
- 2. Drill a 10mm hole lengthwise through the longer blank and a 15/32" hole through the shorter blank
- 3. Rub the brass tubes with low-grit sandpaper to roughen them
- 4. Apply a line of glue to the brass tubes and insert each tube into the middle of the blanks with a twisting motion to spread the glue throughout the blanks
 - Ensure the inside of the tubes are free of any glue
- 5. Square off the ends of each blank with a barrel trimmer or sander to be flush with the brass tube

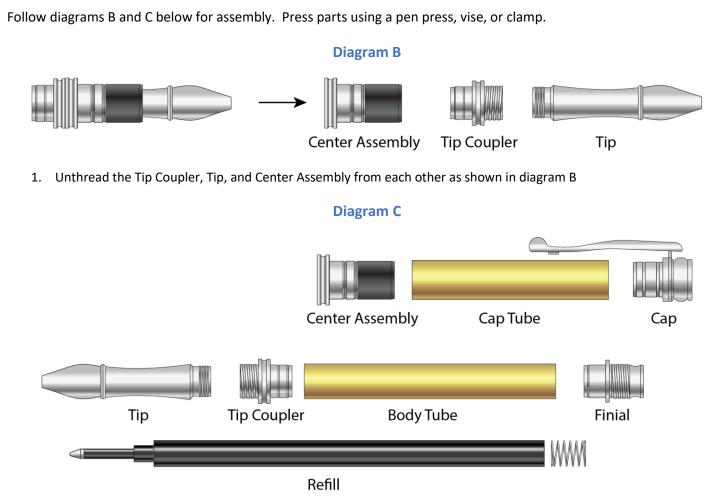
Turning the Blank

Follow diagram A below to set up the blanks on the mandrel for turning.



- 1. Turn down the blanks to the desired shape using lathe chisels, ensuring each end is flush with the bushings
- 2. Sand the blanks, progressing from coarser to finer grits
- 3. Finish blanks with choice of polish

Assembly



- 2. Press the Finial onto the thinner (.450") end of the Body Tube (longer tube)
- 3. Press the Tip Coupler onto the thicker end (.525") of the Body Tube
- 4. Insert the spring then Refill through the Tip Coupler
- 5. Thread the Tip back onto the Tip Coupler
- 6. Press the Center Assembly onto one end of the Cap Tube (larger diameter tube)
- 7. Press the Cap with clip onto the opposite end of the Cap Tube

Additional Information

- The cap will thread onto both ends of the pen
- Pen uses a standard rollerball refill (such as the Schmidt 5888)
 - \circ ~ To replace refill, unthread the Tip