# CROOKED MILL

### **Ivy Twist Pen Kit Instructions**

#### **Required Materials**

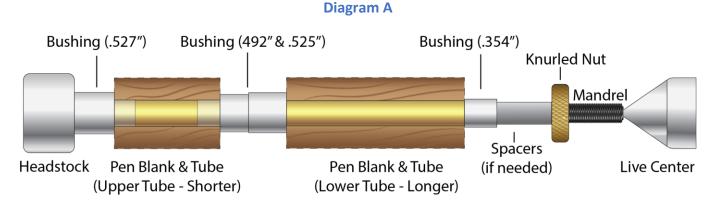
- 7mm pen mandrel
- Set of Ivy Twist Pen Kit bushings
- 7mm and 8mm drill bits
- CA (cyanoacrylate) glue or two-part fast-drying epoxy
- Pen blank
- Pen press, vise, or clamp
- Sanding supplies and finish

#### **Blank Preparation**

- 1. Cut blank to length of brass tubes, plus an additional 1/16" on each end for squaring off
- 2. Drill 7mm hole lengthwise through the long blank, and an 8mm hole lengthwise through the short 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 tubes into the middle of the blanks with a twisting motion to spread the glue throughout the blanks
  - Ensure the inside of each tube is free of any glue
- 5. Square off the ends of each blank with a barrel trimmer or sander to be flush with the brass tubes

#### **Turning the Blank**

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



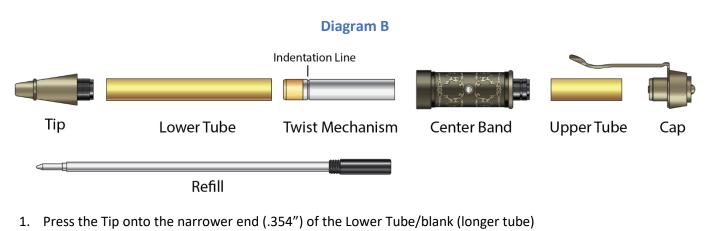
- 1. Turn down the blanks to the desired shape using lathe chisels, ensuring each end is flush with the bushings
- 2. Sand the blanks, progressing from coarser to finer grits
- 3. Finish blanks with choice of polish



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#### Assembly

Follow diagram B below for assembly. Press parts using a pen press, vise, or clamp.



- 2. Press the brass end of the Twist Mechanism onto the opposite end of the Lower Tube up to the Indentation Line
- 3. Insert refill into Twist Mechanism (thread into place) and test for extension
  - a. Press Twist Mechanism in further as needed (with Refill removed)
- 4. Press the narrower end (.492") of the Upper Tube/blank (shorter tube) onto the Center Band
- 5. Press the Cap onto the opposite end of the Upper Tube
- 6. Press together the two assembled halves until snug

#### **Additional Information**

- Pen uses a Cross<sup>™</sup>-style refill
  - To replace refill, pull the two assembled halves apart by hand (reverse of assembly step 7)