

Project Notes – Icicle Xmas tree decoration



top

bottom

about 5" long, 5/8" max. diameter , example above made of Holly

1. Mount blank between centres, turn to a parallel cylinder using a spindle roughing gouge.
2. Mark length of finished icicle, part in at both ends, leaving sufficient wood to support the work.
3. Decide which end is going to be the lower end of the icicle, then turn a taper towards that end using roughing gouge, skew chisel or spindle gouge.
4. Turn an interesting series of shapes using a spindle gouge.
5. Use abrasives to smooth the work.
6. Apply a coat of sanding sealer. Allow to dry then rub down with fine abrasive. Apply polish and buff on the lathe.
7. Part nearly through at both ends, then saw the rest. Clean up the ends if necessary.
8. Make a small hole in the top and insert a small screw eye, with a short length of cord as a hanger.