

SHORT COURSE DETAILS

3D7251 WOODTURNING BOWLS FROM WET AND SEASONED WOOD

Tutor: DAVE REGESTER

Dates: 3 DAYS TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER – FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

ABOUT YOUR COURSE:

If you are relatively new to woodturning, or have been woodturning bowls on your own and have reached the point where some sympathetic help and advice from an experienced woodturner tutor would save you a lot of time and wasted effort, this course will help you.

To start you are allocated your own lathe to use throughout the course, be instructed in its safe use and all the accessories and given a list and diagram of the parts of the lathe and the tools needed to make bowls.

The bowls produced will be based on several different designs, functional or non-functional, depending on aptitude and inclination but can include a salad bowl, a platter, an incurved bowl and a wet turned bowl with natural edge. Time will be spent exploring bowl design, the treatment and sourcing of timber and the process of roughing out bowls from unseasoned wood. You will also be taught to master sharpening a bowl gouge.

The method of teaching will be explanation, demonstration and practice. The tutor is very happy to repeat these as often as you need and encourage you to ask questions.

LEVEL: SUITABLE FOR ALL

A subject focused course that is delivered to suit any level of experience from beginner to advanced practitioner. A structured start is followed by guided independent practise.

ABOUT YOUR TUTOR:

Dave Regester began turning as a full-time professional in 1974. He supplies his work to kitchenware shops and galleries. He teaches and writes on his craft and demonstrates worldwide.

TIMETABLE:

Arrival day: Tuesday 19 September

From 4.00pm Arrival for residential students

6.45pm Non-residential students please arrive by 6.45pm for welcome chat and dinner

7.00pm Dinner

8.00pm — 9.00pm First teaching session — attendance is an essential part of the course.

Other days: Wednesday 20 and Thursday 21 September

9.15am Morning classes start

10,30am Coffee

11.00am Morning classes continue

12.45pm Lunch

2.00pm Afternoon classes

3.30pm Tea

4.00pm Afternoon classes continue

5.00pm Classes finish From 6.30pm Dinner

8.00pm Evening working – workshops are available until 10pm for those wishing to work on

providing this has been discussed with the tutor. These sessions are untutored.

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Departure day: Friday 22 September

(Residential students to vacate rooms by 10am)

9.15am Morning classes start

10.30am Coffee

11.00am Morning classes continue

12.45pm Lunch

2.00pm Afternoon classes3.00pm Classes finish3.30pm Tea then departure

MATERIALS FOR YOUR COURSE:

We have a generously stocked craft shop, which opens daily from 8.30am-2pm.

For any materials you need to purchase from the shop, we suggest you do so during the first morning of your course, after having discussed with your tutor.

Materials included in the course fee:

A piece of greenwood and one bowl blank.

Available from the Shop:

Pencil

A selection of timber blanks – costing around £8.50 each Finishing oil

80, 100, 150, 180, 240, 320 grit, cloth backed abrasive

Please bring any of the above, if you have them, and in addition:

Overall, boiler suit or smock to protect your clothes from wood dust and shavings

Comfortable, sturdy footwear (sandals are not permitted in the workshop)

Woodturning tools (marked with your name) if you have any

Wood for turning, if you wish (Seasoned English hardwoods such as Ash, Sycamore, Beech for bowls i.e. 50-100mm thick 150-250mm diameter. Unseasoned wood is also useful and lengths of trees such as any of the above timbers or fruitwoods 200mm diameter approximately 500mm long.)

Thin super glue

Your favourite finishing product

HEALTH AND SAFETY:

The tutor instructs students in health and safety issues relevant to this course. Students may work unsupervised on agreed projects once they have satisfied the tutor as to their competence. There may be restrictions on the equipment available to students in the tutor's absence. All Personal Protection Equipment, apart from footwear, is provided by the College.

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