Basic Instructions for the Flame Pen Inlay Kit

The first thing we're going to do is lay out the 12 black dyed wood pieces. Next we're going to slide the orange flame barrel over the brass tube from the pen kit. Fit the blackwood pieces in place one at a time. Don't use any glue at this time. Once all the pieces are in position, carefully wrap as many of the included elastic bands around the barrel as you need to secure. Double wrap the bands to make really tight if necessary. Once the bands are attached, slide out the brass tube. Shift the pieces as needed to ensure that the black wood end isn't out of round. Now you can apply CA to all the seams. Don't worry about getting glue on the rubber bands as you will turn them away once the barrel is on the lathe.

Now we’ll glue the brass tube into the blank. Check the fit of the tube as you might have to lightly sand the inside of the blank for a good fit. If you do, wrap a small dowel with 100G sandpaper and sand the inside of the barrel until the tube fits smoothly. Use 2-part epoxy to glue in the brass tube. Once the glue has cured, sand the ends flush with the brass tube using a belt or disc sander. Don’t use a barrel trimmer. Now you can mount the blank on the lathe for final turning and finishing. Apply whatever finish you’re comfortable with as they all work well with these inlay kits. E-mail me at kallenshaan@cox.net with any thoughts or ideas regarding this or any of our other kits.

If you've purchased this inlay kit for the Baron pen or any other pen kit using 2 barrels there'll be a blank matching the flame color included in this kit. This blank is for the lower barrel or body of the pen.

Drill to fit the brass tube from your pen kit, then turn and finish to complete your pen.