

## Two-Part Urn

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1. *Cut block approximately 9" to 10" long and round off on lathe. Between centers, cut tenons at each end to fit your chuck.*
2. *Cut basic Shape of urn.*
3. *Part into urn with parting tool about 1/3 of the way down of what is to be the top of the urn (or longest diameter of urn).*
4. *Put bottom-half in chuck and cut most of the outside shape. Hollow the inside, leaving the wall thickness approximately ¼" thick. Slightly taper the face edge of urn, where the top half will be rejoined. Remove from lathe and set aside.*
5. *Put top part in lathe. Cut basic outside shape. Cut tenon to fit bottom part where urn is to be rejoined. Drill small hole (approx. ½") completely through the top of urn.*
6. *Hollow the inside of the top part (do not go completely go through). Remove from lathe and replace with the bottom part (be sure to re-align grain to match). Glue top and bottom together. Return to lathe and use a clamp until glue dries.*
7. *True-up shape of urn between centers. Sand, burn rings (with wire) on both sides of glue joint. Texture area between rings to hide glue joint (you can also burn glue joint with wire to hide).*
8. *Remove tail stock, cut off tenon, cut recess for lid to sit (you can hollow hole slightly to give appearance of hollowing – leaving a flat recess for lid to sit upon).*
9. *Remove from lathe – reverse urn – use jam chuck to clean up and finish bottom.*
10. *Make lid to fit to desired design – making sure I will fit the recess on urn.*

