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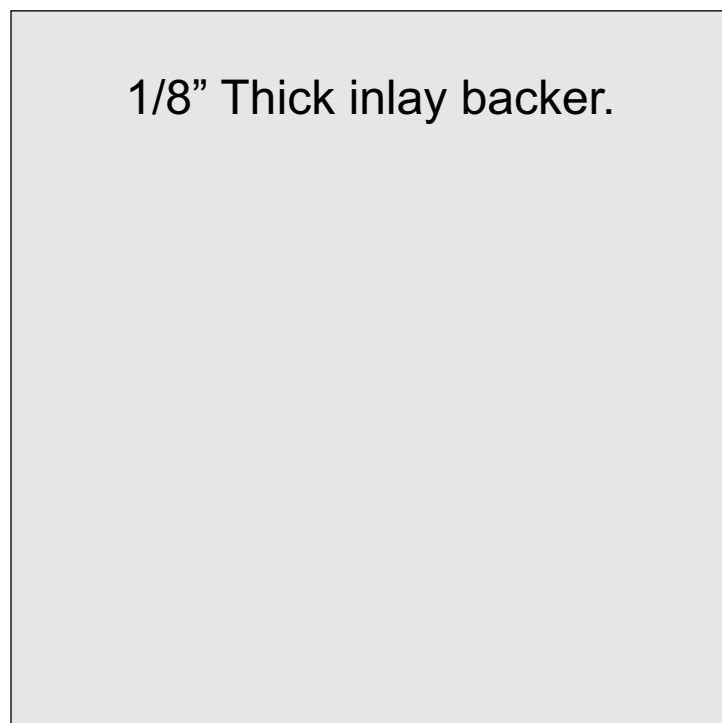
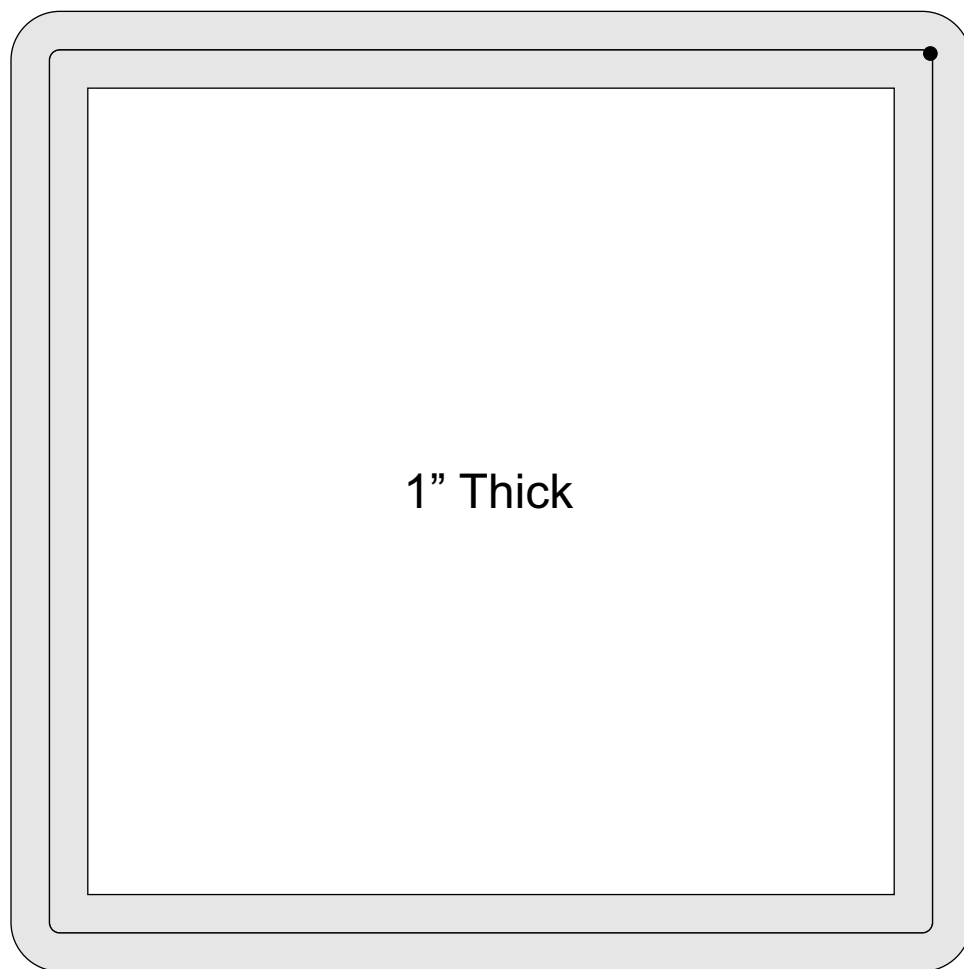


Scroll Saw Fish Inlay Box With FIMO Clay

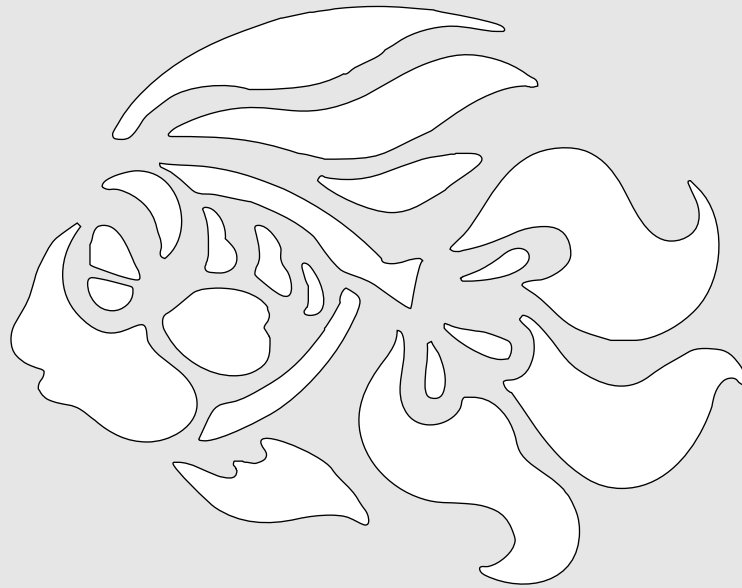


FIMO clay can be purchased at most craft stores.





Top 1/4" Thick



Bottom 1/4" Thick



Prepare the patterns and your wood blanks.

Cut all the parts. Glue the inner walls to the bottom.





I'll be using FIMO clay for the inlay material. It bakes in the oven to a hard inlay that can be sanded.

You need to knead the clay to a soft consistency.





Begin to fill all the cutouts. Insert a little at a time and fill completely. Flip the piece over as you go to make sure the cutouts are filled.

You want to over fill the clay. We will sand it flush later.





This is how it should look when you are finished. Notice I over filled it a good bit.

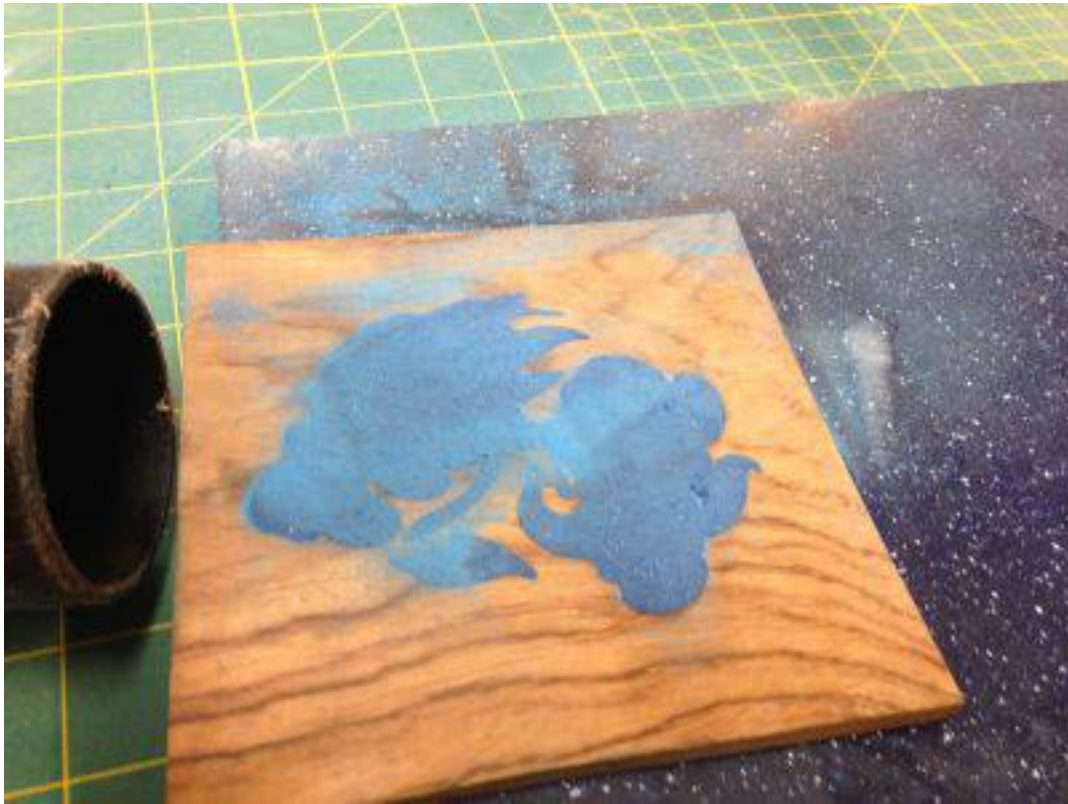




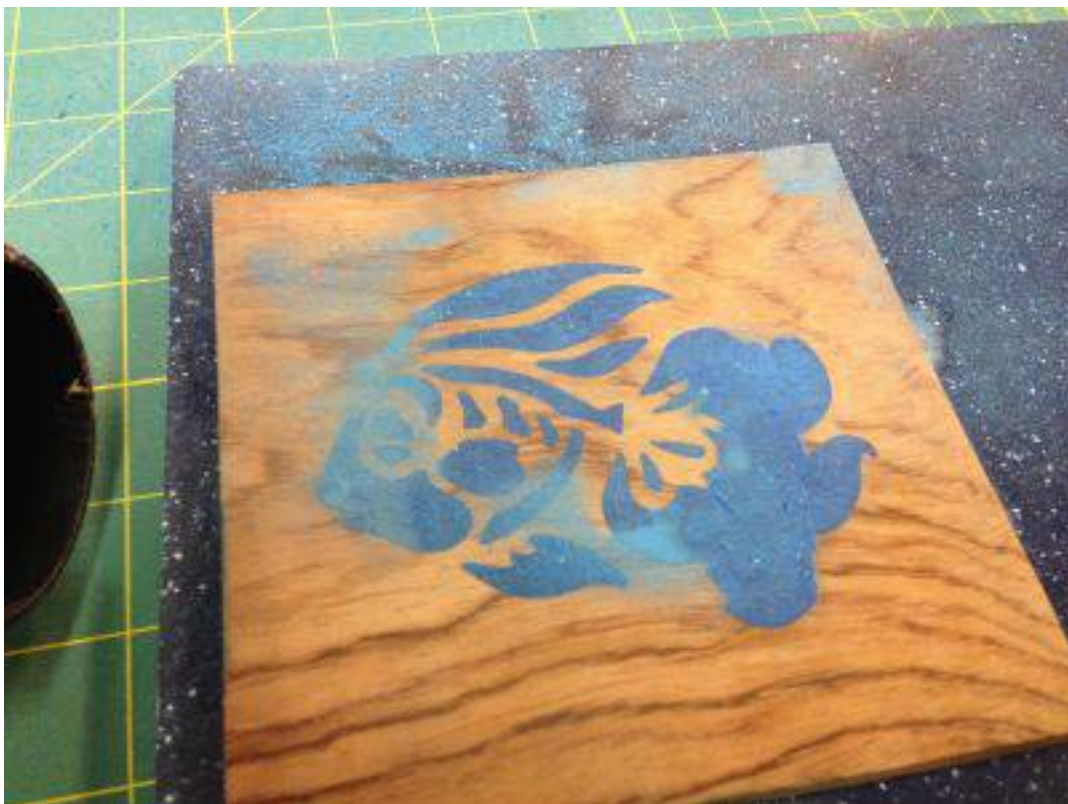
Follow the directions on the package for baking. Ovens vary so you may need to experiment. I set my over to 265 degrees with a timer of 25 minutes.

After you remove the top it is time to sand. I use the following set up but use what you have. Notice the vacuum. It get's dusty.





The sanding will gradually reveal the cutout filled with the inlay.





When you are finished sanding it should look like this.
Make sure to do both sides.

We are going to apply a backer board to help keep the inlay from falling out. I have only had a few pieces fall out over the years but just to be safe we will super glue on a backer.





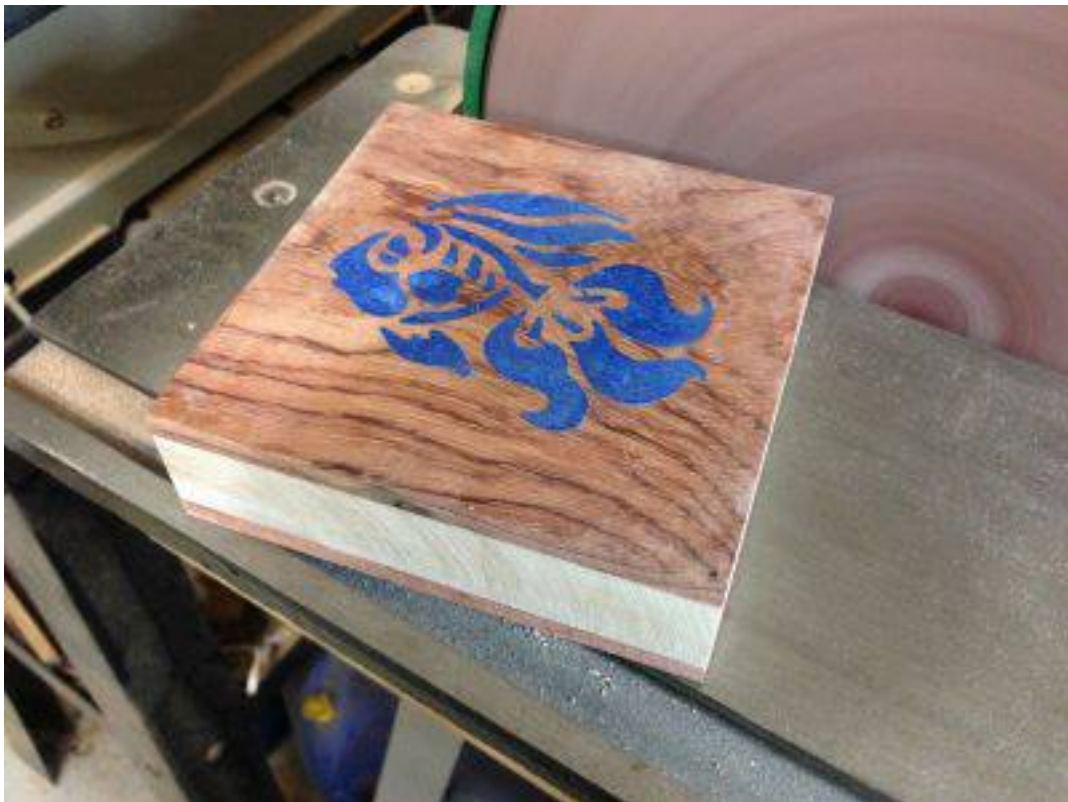
I'm using an accelerator to cure the super glue fast.
Notice the backer allows room for the lid to fit in the box.

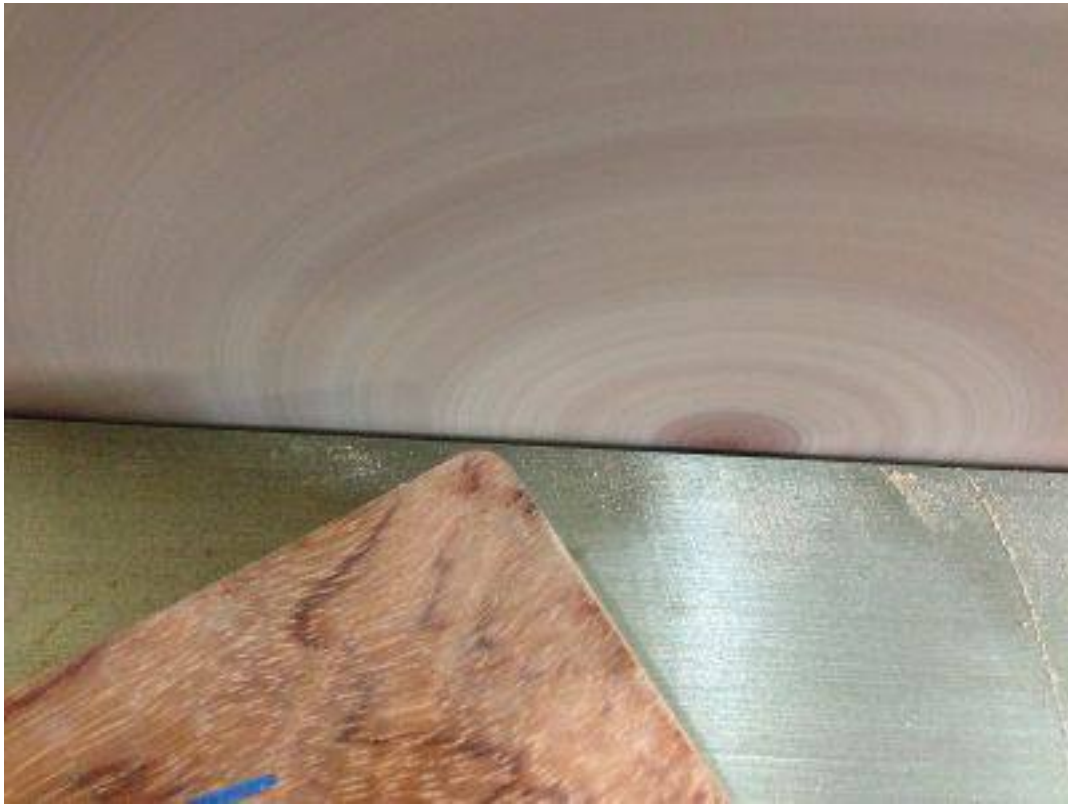




Glue on the top to the outside walls and get ready to sand.

Sand the sides flush.





While you are sanding round off the corners.
Here is the box all sanded and ready for finishing.





I'm using a gloss spray acrylic. Make sure to do the inside.

