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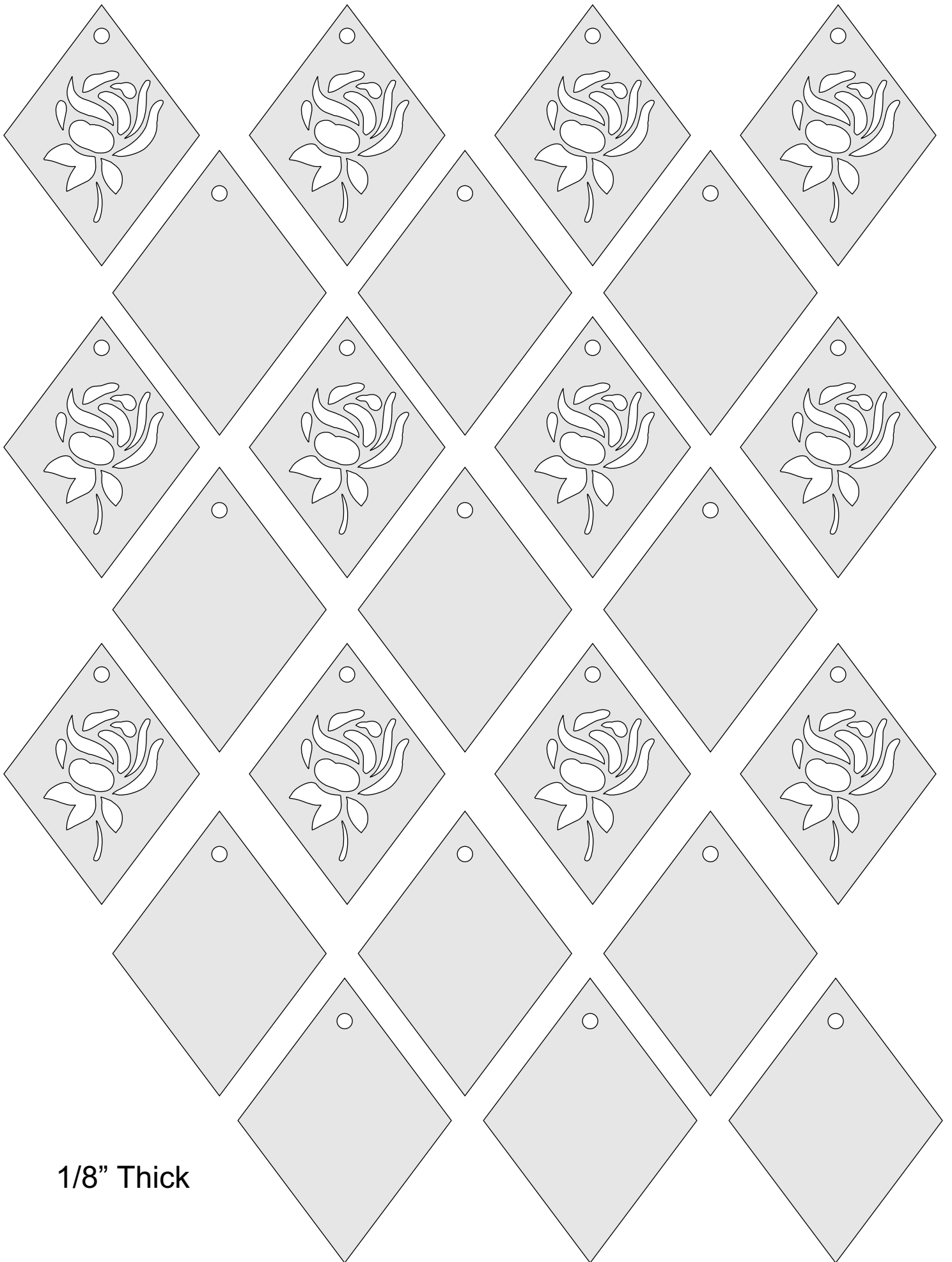
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Wooden Rose Pendant with Polymer Clay Inlay.





1/8" Thick

Prepare the 1/8" Thick wood blanks. Use contrasting wood for the best effect. We will be using FIMO oven hardening clay for the inlay. I'm going to use red and green as my choices.



Carefully drill the interior holes. Don't drill the ring hole yet.



Both pieces have been sanded and are ready to have the inlay pushed into the interior cuts.



I'm starting with the green for the stem.
Knead the clay well before you begin. Make sure
the interior holes are over filled with the clay.
Don't leave any voids.



Normally FIMO clay is baked in the oven for around 30 minutes but I am experimenting with using the microwave. Because it's such a small amount of clay I had good results. I zapped it for 15 seconds at a time. I ended up with 45 seconds but it was starting to smoke so I think I could have stopped at 30 seconds.



Let the clay cool. It will continue to harden as it cools.



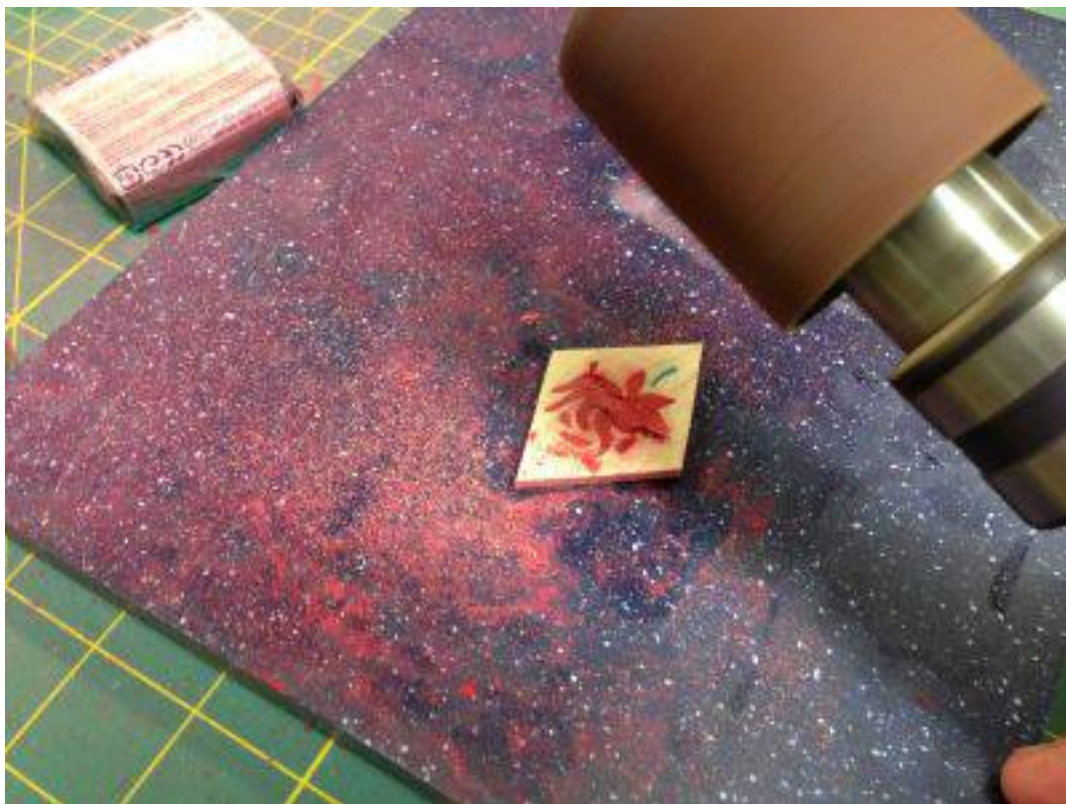
Once the clay has cooled it's time to start sanding.
Get the back sanded flush then move to the front.



I'm using a air filled drum sander because it is so gentle but use what you have. Be careful and get it nice and flush with the wood.



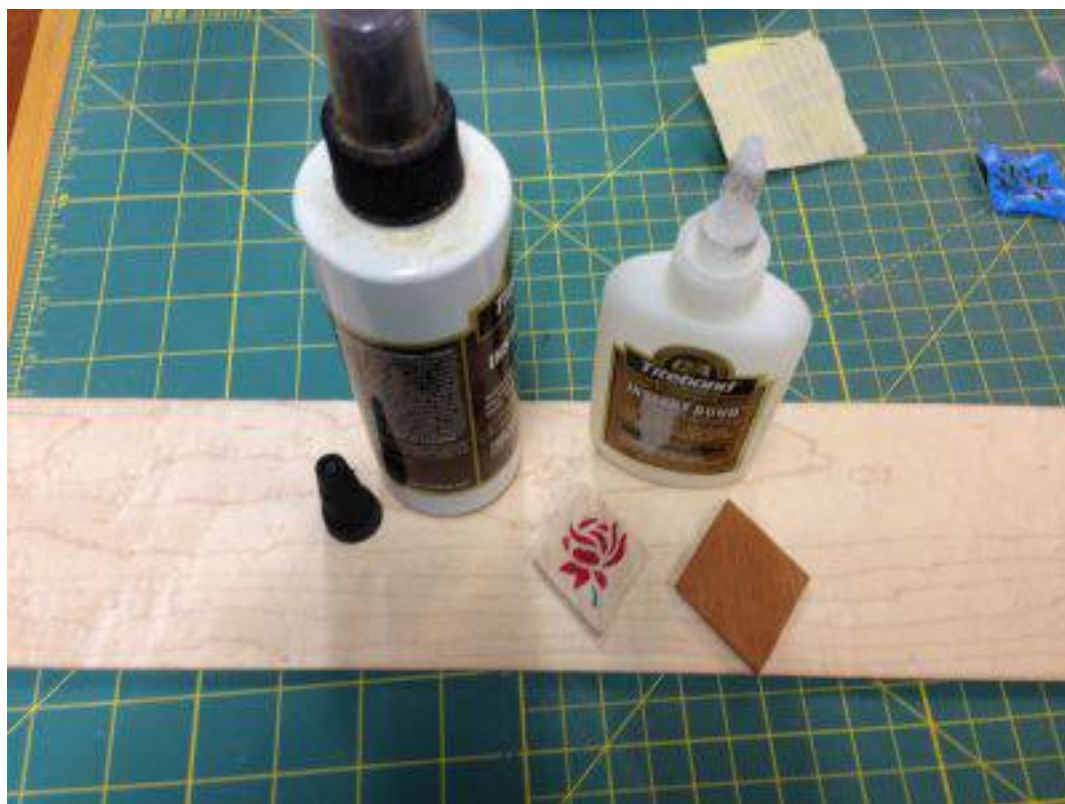
Take your time. If a piece pulls out it can be super glued back in so don't give up if that happens. If the clay has hardened well enough you should not have any trouble.



This is what it should look like after it is sanded flush.
One side may look better than the other so set the good
side up.



I'm using a two part super glue because it helps hold the clay inserts in place and bonds the back to the front.



Notice how I'm getting the glue on the back of the inlay.



Once you have the two pieces glued together you can drill the 1/8" diameter ring hole.



Apply you favorite finish.
I used spray acrylic.

Insert the ring through the
hole and attache the chain.