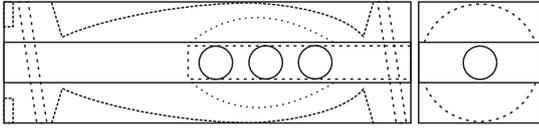


A FISH LURE

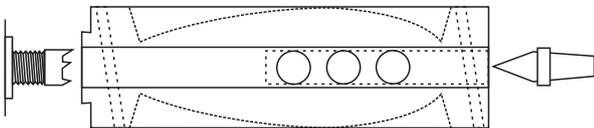
As shown by Peter Williams of Northland Woodworkers & Woodturners Club

Note: The drawings shown here are not to scale. Your chucks, your faceplates, and your wood, may all be slightly, or considerably, different in size.

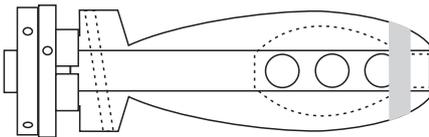


Use a paper joint to assemble three pieces of equally thick wood to make a square block the length of your choice. The central piece will be wasted, the outer pieces are the finished lure. All three should be similar density wood.

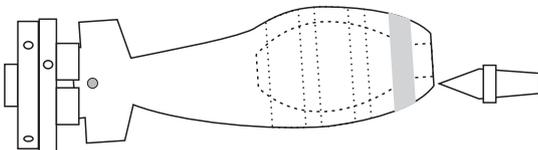
Drill and dowel across each end of the block for added security as the paper joints may part during turning. Mark both ends of the block with exact centre points in the centre of the middle piece. Drill into the head end of the lure with a drill that is a little smaller than the thickness of the central waste wood. Drill three transverse holes down through the waste wood about where the lure is to be hollowed to make the hollowing easier and more visible.



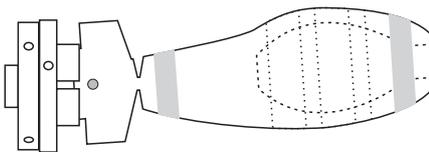
Mount the wood between centres and turn a chuck bite on the tail end of the lure.



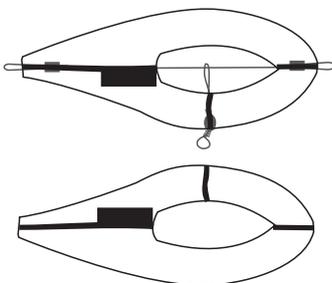
Mount the work in a chuck. Bring up the tailstock for an accurate return to the central position. Form a "truncheon" shape. Add tape around the head end of the lure. Part off the spare wood at that end. Hollow the lure to form a rattle chamber.



Loosen the chuck and move the tailstock end of the work off-centre along the centre-line of the central waste wood in the lure. Secure it with the tailstock. Form the tail end of the lure by removing the "off-centre shadow" from behind the rattle chamber to chuck end.



Tape the lure again nearer to the lathe headstock end. Part the lure off. Remove the tapes. Split open the paper joints. Discard the central waste wood. Clean all paper off the two halves of the lure.



Carve grooves and fit the longitudinal and lower wires for attaching the hooks later. Make a small cavity and fit a little lead into the lure towards the tail. Put two or three lead shot in the hollow to make a rattle. Glue the halves together with a waterproof glue. Cut a slot for the lip, made from a stainless steel washer or Formica. Use "KNEADit" epoxy putty to secure the lip and seal any holes in the lure. You can now paint it white to catch fish or colour and decorate it to catch a fisherman. Then add a good sealing coat of resin or lacquer.

