

The Last Minute Elf Submission  
Christmas Ornaments

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Three Tier Christmas Ornament



Maple & Strandwood Christmas Bell



Christmas Bell



Maple and Purple Heart Xmas Ornament

## Instructions

I know Tom is asking for a shop drawing along with each last minute elf Project; however I think a shop drawing is not necessarily for a turned project, and honestly would take all the fun out of it. To make these Christmas ornaments all you need to do is pick up some scrap wood off your shop floor, chuck it in the lathe and start turning. Let your creative spirit flow and come up with unique ornament type shapes of your own.

The lathe is my newest tool in the shop so I'm not the most proficient turner out there, but I can usually turn out 2 to 3 ornaments in an hour, and was able to make enough to stuff in each person's stocking.

To make the one with 2 woods, I glued a scrap of purple heart to the end and let it sit overnight. Because this is an end grain to end grain glue joint my 1st attempt blew off. For my 2nd attempt I use an epoxy and had much better success.

For the ornaments that has the brass hardware on them. I went to the craft store and found some brass beads and other ornamentations in jewelry making section. I tacked those on with some brass brads and hot glue.

As far as the sizes go, I tried to keep the diameter under 1 1/2". I made a few from 2" wide stock and I'm concerned the weight will be too much for most tree branches.