

THE ULTIMATE SPINDLE TURNING PRACTICE

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This 'project' is intended to test your skills. It does not need to be completed exactly as shown and described. You can make all or some of the shapes on as many pieces of wood that you need to complete. If you have problems making any of the shapes – take your best shot at it and bring in the results.

The challenge is to be able to make all of the shapes – not necessarily on one piece of wood or even in the same order as the drawing. If you can't make all of the shapes, make as many as you can accomplish.

We will use the pieces brought in to 'adjust' the demo to highlight the most common problems that members encounter.

The spindle drawing on the next page has all of the shapes possible for spindle turning (at least I think so). The challenge is to make one just like the drawing.

For a template that is a 'practical' size, print the pages “top section” and “bottom section” with a setting of 'actual size' in the Acrobat Reader settings to get good copies.

Assemble the two drawings (overlap has been included to make it easier) together and tape across the join – outside of the drawn area.

Using a sharp knife, cut across the drawing at a suitable spot then tape across the join of the two sheets you want to keep. Now you can trim to size and glue it to a piece of wood or plastic to make a 'story stick' that includes the drawing.

I don't expect everyone to be able to make an accurate copy, or to keep directly to the drawing scale. You can make any of the shapes in any size you choose.

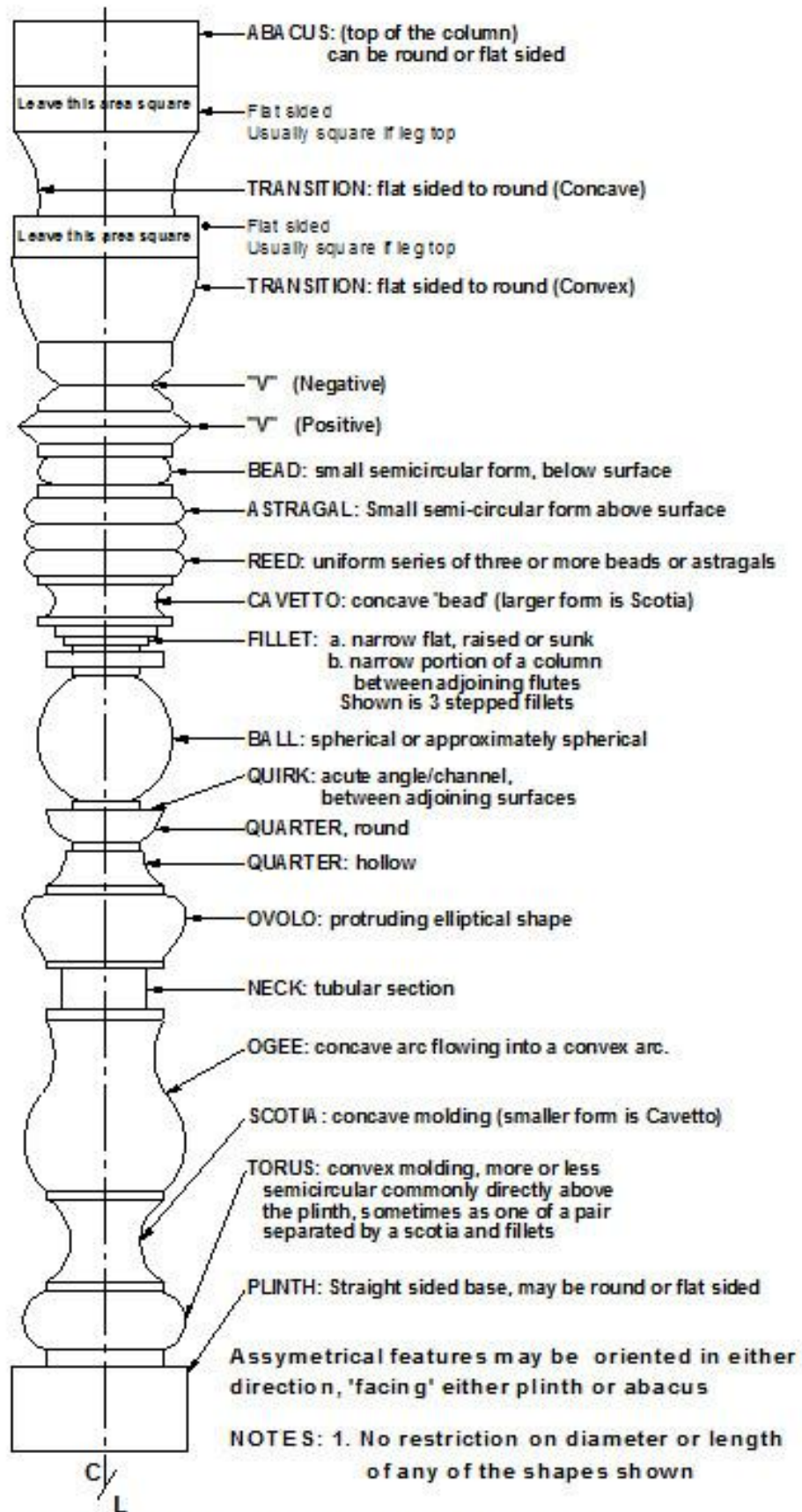
Everyone should give it a try!

If you are not able to make all of the shapes, then make those you can. Do bring in your effort. This includes possible failures as that will be the best way, at the skills night meeting, to help solve the problems encountered.

Modified drawing in this article from the original drawing found on:

http://216.92.36.57/tech_tips/misc-pages/spindle-diagram.jpg

The Glendale Woodturners Guild web site: <http://216.92.36.57/> click on the technical tips page link.

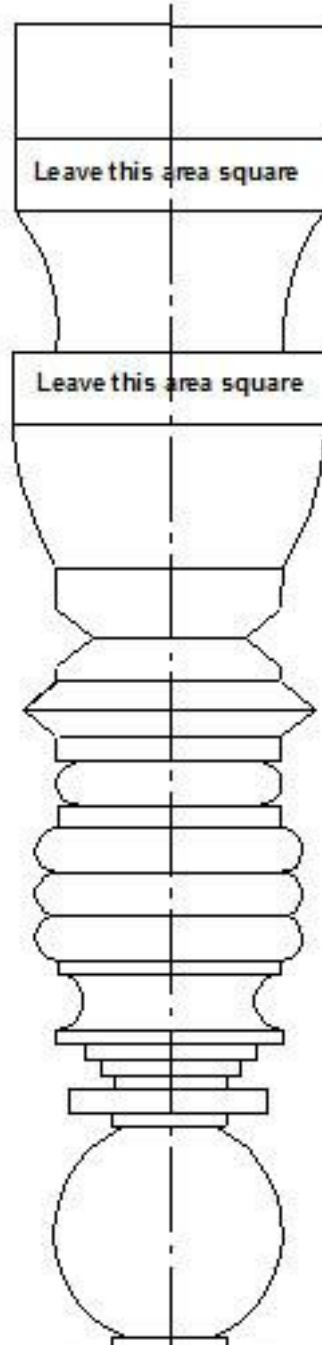


SHAPES FOR A SPINDLE OR COLUMN

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file: turningShapes.dwg Sheet: SPINDLE

Top section of practice spindle turning shape. Put together with bottom section on next page for full template.



Bottom section of practice spindle turning shape. Put together with top section on previous page for full template.

