

## Deft & Oil Finishing Process

1. Sand the turning, removing all sanding marks or blemishes. Finishing will only make them more prominent.
2. With the work piece stationary, brush on a full wet coat of Deft semi-gloss wood finish. Let the Deft soak into the piece for a few minutes. If dull spots appear in the coating, apply more Deft to the area, as the finish is soaking into the wood. While the Deft is still wet, wipe the piece dry with a clean cotton cloth, then buff dry with the lathe running.
3. Set the turning aside for at least an hour or so, preferably overnight, to let the Deft harden in the wood.
4. Sand lightly with 320-grit paper to remove any Deft that remains on the surface of the wood.
5. Apply Waterlox oil, or similar oil finish, on a pad of “0000” steel wool. With the piece spinning on the lathe, apply the steel wool and oil to the turning. The steel wool buffs the surface of the wood, and the oil restores the sheen. The Piece is then buffed dry with a soft cloth. Set aside overnight to dry.
6. Repeat the oil, steel wool and buffing process until satisfied with the finish.
7. Remove the turning from the faceplate and, from then on, treat the piece with coats of oil, buffing dry between each coat.