

Acorn Box

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Outline for making a box where the lid fits **outside** the body

- 1 Tenon on both ends
- 2 Mark about 1" waste at bottom & define with a parting line
- 3 Rough shape box body and roughly start forming the top to indicate shape
As shown in illustration.
- 4 Part off the top from the bottom
- 5 Shape the inside and outside of the box bottom. Make sure that on the outside at the top that you leave about 1/4" that is 90° to the parted edge. Define the bottom to about 1" - 1.5" dia. Finish sand inside and out then part off what is left of the tenon
- 6 Mount top and make a 90° fit very firmly to fit over the outside of the box body. I suggest a small shelf that does not necessary match the depth of the cover fit. This way you can finish sand the next step without affecting the fit.)
- 7 Dome up the inside of the top and finish sand. Note: do not sand the inside edge that fits over the box body! Part off from the tenon.
- 8 Turn the top around and chuck it in expansion mode or a jam chuck. Finish carve and sand.
- 9 Mount the box body in expansion mode or with a jam chuck. Finish carve and sand.

