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Tips and Tools

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For Inlay

Cutting a few pieces of inlay is easy with a razor knife such as an Exacto Knife or a scalpel. However when you have a larger quantity to cut or miter, you can use a special low cost tool such as a paper cutter. Another tool that can be used is an inlay cutting tool. These are inexpensive time savers that are useful when cutting inlay for cabinets or other repetitive jobs where accuracy is important.

http://www.inlays.com/Tools_For_Inlaying.asp



For Marquetry

Repairing marquetry requires a different sort of approach. Sometimes in older marquetry pictures, pieces can be found missing. The approach here would be to first find a piece of veneer that has the color you want. Then carefully trace the area to be replaced. Adhere the tracing to the replacement veneer, and using a razor knife, carefully cut the replacement veneer by placing the shaft of the knife outward at a small angle. Test the fit making small adjustments if necessary and then glue the back and outer edges of the replacement piece with white or aliphatic resin (yellow) glue. Tap the piece in place and then tape to hold in place. The glue will expand the repair and should fill any gaps. When cutting the replacement piece, pay attention to the direction of the grain. It is harder to cut across the grain than with it. However it is also possible to break off a piece while cutting with or against the grain. You can use a stabbing action with the knife point to help in cutting as well as backing the veneer with some veneer tape. The paper design which adheres to the wood is also helpful in holding the replacement piece together. This also helps hold small pieces. For more tips on marquetry tool techniques, check out our inexpensive video at:

<https://www.wqitv.com/ppv/course/main.asp?AgencyID=667>.

For Flooring

Flooring Medallions that are oval or unusually shaped typically come with a template. However, round ones do not. Use a router as a boom arm to make a perfect circle of any diameter.

http://www.inlays.com/Wood_Floor_Technical_Information.asp

Floor Medallions as Decorative Elements in Table Tops

Many craftsmen are using floor medallion designs as elements in table tops. Floor medallions are typically 3/4" thick and contain designs that run from simple "compass roses" to more ornate designs like the Venezia ANCRF-11 series.

http://www.inlays.com/Wood_Floor_Small_Medallions.asp

Another interesting and decorative concept is "mixing" stone medallions with wood and embedding the stone in the center of the tables. Stone medallions are made with a computer controlled water jet process which enables intricate design elements to be used. Since medallions 36" and smaller are produced in 3/8" thickness, they are easily added through numerous standard processes available to most craftsmen. Full size wood medallions are typically sanded down to a 1/2" thickness when thus used.



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