



Convex Sole Block Plane

Our Convex Sole Block Plane is a miniature workhorse that will do a great job of hollowing chair seats, moldings, and shaping other concave work.

Plane is 4 ⁷/₈" long and 1 ¹/₄" wide. Weight is 8.8 oz.

Geometry: The sole has a radius of 3" from side to side, and 27" from front to back.

Blade is $\frac{7}{8}$ " wide and $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick. It has a radius of $\frac{7}{8}$ ", and sits in the body at 20°, bevel up.

The radius on the mouth is $1 \frac{3}{16}$ ". The smaller blade radius of .900" means that the corners of the blade will not protrude from the mouth when set for a medium or fine shaving.

Blade Sharpening: The blade comes ready to use. Additional honing will improve performance.

For Honing: One method is to plane a groove in softwood with the blade set for a coarse cut. Charge the resulting groove with honing compound and hone the blade by pulling backwards through the groove.

Another method is to shape a groove in a spare or broken waterstone with a $\frac{7}{8}$ " dowel wrapped with coarse (60-100 grit) sandpaper. Hone the blade by pulling through the groove.

For Grinding: Re-grind as necessary, following the original bevel angle and radius as closely as possible. Marking the bevel with a felt marker will help you see what you are doing.

Blade Adjustment: Slightly loosen the pressure of the cap and advance or retract the blade. Tighten the thumbscrew.

Materials: Fully stress-relieved Ductile Iron body. Manganese Bronze cap.

The blade is A2 Tool Steel hardened to Rockwell 60-62, cryogenically treated and double tempered. Our heat treating technique ensures that the blade will take and hold a very fine edge for a long time. After heat treating, the blade is fully surface ground on the top, back, and cutting edge, giving a smooth, flat surface that will take a mirror finish very quickly. The ¹/₈" thickness provides solid, chatter-free cutting.

Maintenance: The tool should be kept lightly oiled to prevent rust, especially when not in use. We recommend Jojoba Oil, a plant based oil product that is non-toxic, odor-free and easy to use. Also, in our shop, we use a fine abrasive handblock to remove any light surface oxide from tool bodies and blades. Oil and the abrasive handblock are available from us.

Guarantee: Materials and workmanship are guaranteed for the life of your tool. Call for repairs or replacement parts. We are available for advice if you ever have a problem using your tool.

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