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Lab # 12 - Hot Metal

Description: In this lab you will learn to work metal while hot. These projects will be heated on a forge, but could be created using a oxy-acetylene torch with a rosebud tip. You will also learn how to temper steel. This is a useful skill when reconditioning tools. CAUTION: Steel will be very hot. Be cautious not to burn yourself or others.

Materials:

Tools:

5 1/2" - 1/2" tool steel 20" - 1/4" mild steel round stock Hammer Anvil Tongs Forge Sand bucket Bastard and mill files Grinder Oxy-acetylene torch with large tip Hacksaw

Cold Chisel Directions:

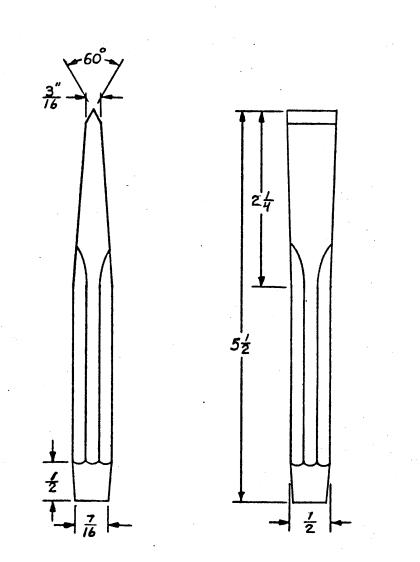
- 1. Cut a piece of tool steel to 5 1/2".
- 2. Heat one end of the tool steel until bright red.
- 3. Using a hammer and anvil taper the end as shown in the drawing.
- 4. Heat the chisel to cherry red and place in the sand bucket to cool. (Annealing process) NOTE: you can work on your chaining pin while the chisel is cooling.
- 5. When cool, use a file to finish the surfaces of the chisel. Grind the edge to the correct angle. Stamp your initials in the handle.
- 6. Temper the chisel using a oxy-acetylene torch
 - a) About 2 1/2"" from the sharp end heat a 1" band on the chisel to cherry red
 - b) Watch the colors move down the chisel. When the edge changes dark blue, cool the ONLY the TIP of the chisel in water (use a figure 8 motion). When the redness has left the chisel, cool completely in water.

Chaining Pin Directions:

- 1. Always work the steel when red-hot.
- 2. Use a center punch to mark the bend of the eye (7"). Heat one end of the 1/4" round stock.
- 3. Form the eye by bending the stock at 90°
- 4. Then, reheat and bend the eye.
- 5. Trim to length and point.
- 6. Cool the project and mark with masking tape.

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| Criteria | | Possible | Score |
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| Chisel: | | | |
| Tempering (can cut steel) | | 4 | |
| Sharpening | | 2 | |
| Smooth Finish | | 2 | |
| Shape and workmanship | | 2 | |
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| Chaining Pin: | | | |
| Eye correct size (+/- 1/8") | | 2 | |
| Eye round | | 2 | |
| Pin correct length (+/- 1/8") | | 2 | |
| Point neat | | 2 | |
| Overall workman ship | | 2 | |
| | TOTAL | 20 | |



Cold Chisel

Step #1 7" Step #2 13" 12" Step #3

Chaining Pin