



Prokraft PKR MEZZ – Herb Cutter / Mezzaluna / Ulu Kit assembly

Please read this guide fully before beginning your kit and beware it is **very** sharp

The Prokraft MEZZ is a herb cutter kit made from quality food grade stainless steel with stainless steel ferrules designed and sized specifically for the kit.

Mezzaluna is another common name used for the blade and Ulu is a traditional inuit curve blade tool with a single handle – the prokraft kit is suitable for making both types of finished item. The blade can be used for many culinary tasks from chopping herbs to cutting dough.

We do not offer instructions for finishing as an ulu as there are many ways to make them and there may be specialist tools required to make the mortices for the kit tangs.

To make a herb cutter or mezzaluna we recommend the following method:

- 1] Start with 2 blanks 40mmx40mmx60mm
- 2] Mark the centres at each end and in one end of each blank drill a 6.5mm pilot hole 25mm deep
- 3] Mount the first blank between centres on your lathe and turn roughly round
- 4] At headstock end turn a tenon 14mmØ and 6mm long – this is for the ferrule
- 5] Turn the remaining blank to your desired shape leaving a small connected piece at tailstock end – a “nib”
- 6] Sand and finish the bottom (ferrule end) of the handle and remove from between centres
- 7] Re-mount the handle securely in a chuck holding only by the tenon section, then CAREFULLY turn off the scrap “nib” at tailstock end then sand and finish as the rest of the handle.
- 8] Repeat the process for the second handle
- 9] Secure the blade in a vice with tangs upwards and using epoxy glue secure the ferrules and tangs into each of your handles