

# Tool Handle Resources

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## Complete Handles

Versigrip Wood Turning Handles  
Versitools.com  
Curt Couch, Gainesville, GA  
770-534-0411 Ext. 302

Hex aluminum core to prevent rolling, cushioned grip cover, double set screws to clamp tool. Stock lengths from 12" to 20", custom lengths also available.  
Cost: \$25 to \$60

Thompson Lathe Tools  
Thompsonlathetools.com  
Doug Thompson, N. Olmsted, OH  
440-241-6360

Aluminum extruded core with four flats to fit the hand and to prevent rolling; steel or lead shot can be added to absorb vibration;  
check web site for more details.  
Cost: \$50 to \$65

SB Tools  
Woodturning.org  
Stewart Barry  
818-699-3026

Carbon fiber and aluminum, unique "taper-lock" design. SB tools available with bolsters attached or your own tools may be fitted with a bolster (adapter) that will fit into the handle. Tools are epoxied to bolster.  
Cost: Handles, \$50 to \$130 incl. bolster  
Extra bolsters, \$22

Oneway Shure Grip  
Oneway Manufacturing  
Stratford, Ontario, Canada  
1-800-565-7288

Steel with plastic covers, two set screws hold tool in place, two sizes: 17-1/2" and 12", 1/2" hole on one end, 5/8" hole on the other.  
Cost: \$50 to \$58  
3/8" adapter, \$13  
3/4" adapter, \$25

Hosaluk Tool Handles  
Hosaluktools.com  
Saskatoon, SK, Canada  
306-382-2380

Aluminum or steel with vinyl covers, two set screws hold tool in place; 12" to 22" long, 1/2" hole on one end, 5/8" hole on the other, 3/8" adapter available.  
Cost: \$50 to \$66

Woodcut Flexi Twin Collet Handle  
Packard Woodworks  
Tyron, NC  
1-800-683-8876

Metal handle with rubber grip, 1-1/4" dia. 17" long, comes with 3/8" and 1/2" collets, twist collar to loosen or tighten the tool.  
Cost: \$103

Sorby Sovereign Handles  
Packard Woodworks

Aluminum (hollow) with foam grip, 1-3/8" dia., 12", 16" and 22" length, two brass-tipped set screws hold tool in place, comes bored 5/8" and with 3/8" and 1/2" collets, removable end cap for adding optional screw-on counterweight.  
Cost: 16"=\$80, 22"=\$90

Jordan Straight Handles  
John Jordan

Hollow steel with foam rubber grip, 1-1/4" dia., 12" and 18" lengths, holds 3/4" or 1/2" tools with optional 3/8" adapter avail.  
Cost: 12"-\$40, 18"-\$50

Trent Bosch Super Tool Handles  
Trentboshtools.com  
Fort Collins, CO

Aluminum with cushion grip, color coded based on diameter of tool it will hold, lengths from 12" to 24", two set screws hold tool in place, steel shot can be added for additional weight.  
Cost: \$40 to \$75 depending on length and bore.

Packard Woodworks

Wooden tool handles, beech, 8-1/2" x 7/8" dia. And 14" x 1-1/4" dia., brass ferrules, tool holder hole to be drilled by user.

Cost: 8-1/2"=\$7.50  
14"=\$9

## Tool Holder Inserts for Wood Handles

Hosaluk Tools

Steel ferrule insert with two set screws to hold tool in place, 3/8", 1/2" & 5/8" tool size. Drill proper size hole in wood handle, glue insert with epoxy. Drill secondary hole to allow for tool depth adjustment.

Cost: \$20 each

Oneway Threadlok Ferrules  
Oneway Manufacturing, Canada

Aluminum with one or two set screws to hold the cutter, need to turn a taper on the wood handle blank to match the taper of the inside of the ferrule, ferrule taper template available; there are threads on the inside of the ferrules so you can screw them onto the wood handle, come in 1/4", 3/8", 1/2" and 5/8" bore sizes, depending on the diameter of the tool it will be holding.

Cost: \$17 to \$19

Fred Messer  
Gautier, MS  
Cell: 228-219-2515

Custom made aluminum inserts for wood handles, 3/8", 1/2" and 5/8". In Atlanta area about once a month.

Cost: \$5 any size

Cindy Drozda  
Boulder, Colorado  
303-449-7170  
E-mail: cindy@cindydrozda.com  
Web site: www.cindydrozda.com

Aluminum adapters with two set screws to hold the cutter. Available for 1/4", 3/8" and 1/2" tools.

Cost: \$15 each

## Misc. Tool Handle Supplies

Metal, aluminum, brass, etc.

### ENCO

use-enco.com

800-use-enco

Aluminum and brass round rods

Aluminum hex bars

### MSC Industrial Supply Co.

Mscdirect.com

800-645-7270

Aluminum and brass round rods

Aluminum hex bars

High speed steel tool bit blanks

### Harbor Freight

High speed steel mini tool bits, square, round and taper  
\$4.50 for a set of 5 pieces

Brass ferrules

### Packard Woodworks

3/4" to 1-1/4" dia.

\$7 to \$9 for a pack of 5

### Craft Supplies USA

1" and 1-1/4" dia.  
\$2.05 and \$3.09 each

**K&S Engineering**

1/2" thin-wall brass tubing, good for smaller handles  
Available on line or some hobby shops

**A Few On-Line Tool Handle Video Sites**

Cindy Drozda: Make a Removable Wood Tool Handle for Woodturning Tools [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g-SN0llu0Cw&list=UUMXLgQwqBM7B\\_Z4VTQayFYA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g-SN0llu0Cw&list=UUMXLgQwqBM7B_Z4VTQayFYA)

09 RJF Ash Tool Handle in 15 Min. YouTube

Turning Custom Tool Handles-Bob Bezanson YouTube