Changing the balsa strops
Posted by LukasPop - 16 Dec 2012 06:21

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Re: Changing the balsa strops
Posted by xuzme720 - 16 Dec 2012 10:12

That's a good idea. I'd be interested also.

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Re: Changing the balsa strops
Posted by cbwx34 - 16 Dec 2012 12:59

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xuzme720 wrote:

That's a good idea. I'd be interested also.

I think so too. He may not have them on the website, but I'm guessing if you contacted Clay or Kyle, something could be arranged.

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Re: Changing the balsa strops
Posted by wickededge - 16 Dec 2012 15:59

We do sell replacements, just not through the site. Please give a call: (877-616-9911) or email: sales@wickededgeusa.com
and Kyle can get you set up.

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Re: Changing the balsa strops
Posted by JamesBell - 17 Dec 2012 09:29

LukasPop wrote:

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Just toss this out, for balsa, ACE Hardware have Balsa 4 inches by 36 inches for less than $3.00.

I want WE to stay in business, so yes please check what they offer. This is just a FYI Balsa is easy to find and easy to work with.

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Re: Changing the balsa strops
Posted by xuzme720 - 17 Dec 2012 09:32

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I was thinking more for the leathers which aren't as easy to come by. At least for some people.

But that is good info for those that didn't know about balsa being available locally.

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Re: Changing the balsa strops
Posted by PhilipPasteur - 17 Dec 2012 20:45

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LukasPop wrote:

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Have you considered sanding out the defects?

I have done this with leather. Finish with 600 or 1000 grit paper. Unless you have real deep gouges, you may be able to do this a couple of times before having to replace the balsa/leather.

Of course you have to keep them flat, but it can be done and is not that hard to do.

Phil

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Re: Changing the balsa strops
Posted by LukasPop - 18 Dec 2012 06:32

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Yes, I considered that. But what about thinning the strops, and thus changing the angle. Did you some adjustements?

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Re: Changing the balsa strops

Posted by PhilipPasteur - 18 Dec 2012 12:14

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Sorry... I guess I think only about the way I do things sometimes. I use the angle cube to set my angles and not the factory detents. This will set a consistent angle regardless of the stone/strop thickness.

Depending on how much you have to sand, it should not change the angle enough to worry about.

If you are not using an angle cube, I strongly recommend that you get one. It is one of, if not the chepest things you can do to help your consistency with the WEPS.

Phil

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Re: Changing the balsa strops

Posted by LukasPop - 18 Dec 2012 12:44

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I have an angle cube. Are you able to set angles different from the preset holes? (I have old arms). Once I tried to go under 15 degree with tall kitchen knive to create steep back bevels, but the arms were not holding position and moved around the rod.

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