

10 STEPS TO SPOON SUCCESS

- 1. Cut a branch 50 to 70mm in diameter.
- 2. Split in half directly through the pith (check grain).
- 3. Axe away all pith and flatten other side and sketch on spoon shape.
- 4. Saw in stop cuts at neck and split off excess.
- 5. Axe away handle thickness.
- 6. Axe bowl to shape.
- 7. Refine shape with straight knife.
- 8. Hollow bowl with bent knife (leave a rim).
- 9. Leave to dry for 48 hrs (not direct sun) then complete final finishing cuts.
- 10. Leave to dry for another 48 hrs (not direct sun) then sand and oil as required.

The following is a list and links to five UK tool makers that I thoroughly recommend, you will have used tools from all these makers during your course with Forge Ways and I use these tools daily.

Gary Hackett - www.garyhackett.co.uk

Dave Budd - www.davebudd.com

Ben Orford - www.benandloisorford.com

Nic Westermann — www.nicwestermann.co.uk

Robin Wood - www.wood-tools.co.uk