

Ceramics

Trimming

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Feel sides for thickness.



Mark inside height.



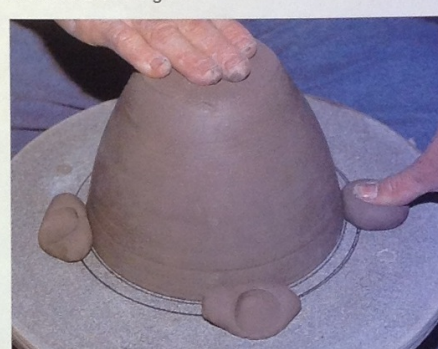
Mark outside height.



Marks on the ruler show the thickness of the base.



Mark the bat for centering. Turn the pot upside down on the bat.



Hold the pot firmly and place four balls of wet clay against the edge of the pot to hold the pot in place.



Trim the bottom using a loop tool, leaving a small center nipple of clay to check the depth of the base.



Trim the sides of the base using a loop tool. The wheel should be moving at slow to medium speed.



Check the depth of the trimming.



Remove the clay nipple using the loop tool.



Smooth the foot with a wooden tool and your finger so that the bottom of the pot will not have any edges that might scratch after the piece is fired.



Remove the clay balls and check the pot for even thickness.