

French rolling pin – Nova Scotian Curly (Tiger) Sugar Maple 21" x 1 5/8"

This rolling pin came from a locally harvested 2" Sugar Maple slab, air dried for 3 yrs and dried 1 month in our solar kiln. The figure in this blank was very striking even before turning and looked like a great candidate for my version of a French rolling pin. The end finials were designed to allow the rolling pin to be hung vertically from a custom wooden wall bracket to act as a functional kitchen art piece. The blank was roughed out with a roughing gouge and finished with a skew plane cut with zero tear-out (difficult with this much curl).



Photo 1) finish directly from skew chisel plane cut on the lathe (no sanding, straight from the chisel).

The finials were completed with a 3/8" detail spindle gouge. Sanded with 120 to 320 grit, finish sanding/polishing with Richard's Nova Silk and finished with beeswax/mineral oil salad bowl finish.



Photo 2) Finial Detail for hanging the rolling pin