Manual Book (Pottery)

1. Clay-strip forming technique

Step 1: Roll out soft clay into long thick strips





Step 2: Make a plate as the base (you can either simply use your hand or use a machine to make the base) and lay strips one on the top of another

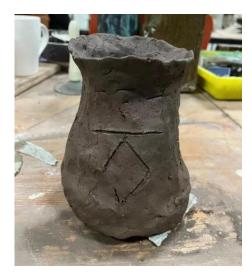








Step 3: Smooth the exterior and carve/scratch pattern





Step 4: Drying



Step 5: Engobe coating and decoration





Step 6: Ceramic glaze making

My "secret recipe":

cobalt 1g + nepheline-syenite 196g + kaolin 140g + calcium carbonate 188g +Silica 212g + barium carbonate 54g + magnesium carbonate 11g + copper carbonate 70g





Below is what my glaze looks like





Step 7: Glazing and firing





Voila! This is my cup!



2. Wheel throwing technique

Step 1: Soften and rub the clay outward and inward to form an ox head shape before standing it up and making it a cone (Note: there will be spiral lines along the clay if the clay is correctly rubbed)





Step 2: Put the clay on the wheel (Note: the rotation direction of the wheel should be the same as that of clay's spiral) and align the center of the clay to the center of the wheel



Step 3: Mold by throwing

- You need to be extremely patient.I failed for at least 20 times.
- Practice practice and practice!)



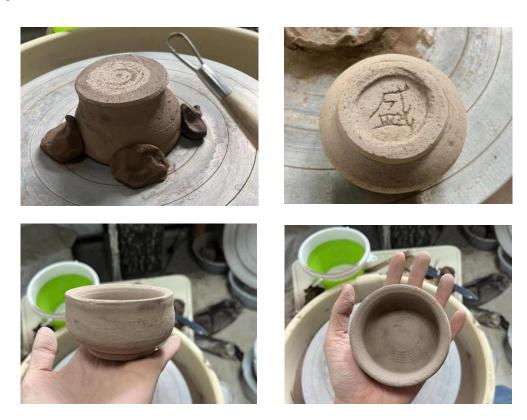




Step 4: Drying



Step 5: Trim and make round foot



Step 5: Glazing and firing



Voila!



