

## Square Ring

## Level: Basic/Intermediate <Materials>



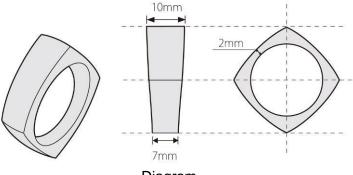
Art Clay Silver Clay Type

Approximately 14g

## <Tools>

Cooking sheet, ring size scale or ring gauge, wooden mandrel, red sponge sanding pad (#320-600), memo pad, craft knife, medium fine file

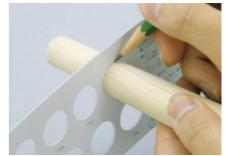
Completed piece <Step by Step Guide>



Diagram



1) Measure your finger size with a ring size scale (Japanese ring size) or ring gauge.



Mark a line 4 sizes larger (Japanese ring size) than the actual desired size on the wooden mandrel with a pencil.



3) Wrap a memo pad around the mandrel, adjusting the middle of the memo pad to the center line.



4) Knead a 14g piece of clay well and make a ball. Make a thin 7-8mm long clay rope evenly while moistening the entire surface.



5) After moistening the entire surface, wrap the clay rope around the middle of the memo pad, pressing the end firmly with your fingers.



6) Nip corners to make a square shape and wrap the rope. Smear the joins with your moistened finger. Flatten the surface with your finger while keeping the same thickness. Press the flat sides on the cooking sheet. Remove any extra clay from the corners with a craft knife. Dry completely with a hair dryer.



 After drying completely, flatten little by little the sides with a medium fine file. Make gentle curves.



8) Smooth the surface and the inside of the ring with the red sponge sanding pad.



9) Polish with a stainless steel brush.



10) Make a hair line finish by polishing in a single direction with a red sponge sanding pad.



11) Polish, using a small amount of polishing cream and a polish cloth. Finish.