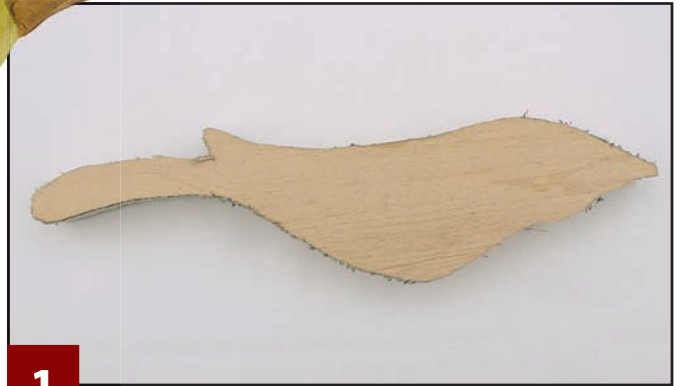


Woodcarving *Hollywood-Style*



1 **Rough out the bird.** Trace the pattern onto the basswood blank. Cut the outline of bird on a band saw or scroll saw.



2 **Rough shape the bird.** Carve away the band saw marks and round all the edges with a bench knife.



3 **Define the major landmarks.** Make a stop cut at the wing area and at the head. Taper the tail and the beak.



4 **Add the final details.** Outline the scalloped wings and the beak with a V-tool. Groove the wing-tips and the tail with a V-tool. Set the eyes with an eye punch. Paint the bird with acrylic paints and seal it with tung oil.

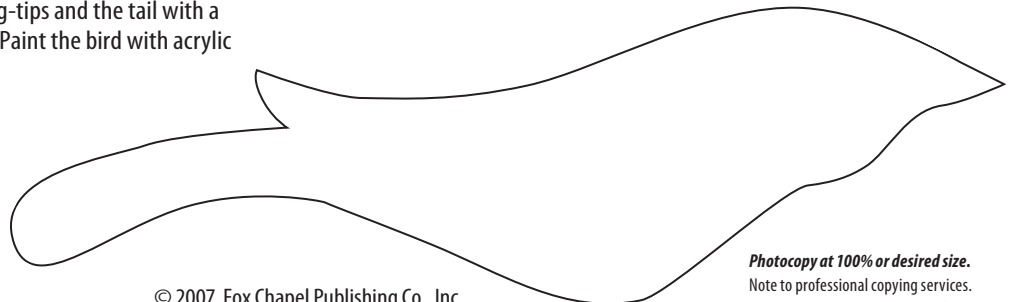
materials & tools

MATERIALS:

- 3/4" x 1 1/2" x 5 1/4" basswood or wood of choice
- Acrylic paints of choice
- Tung oil

TOOLS:

- Bandsaw, coping saw, or scroll saw
- Bench knife
- V-tool of choice
- Paintbrushes of choice



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