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A One-Prong Eating “Fork”

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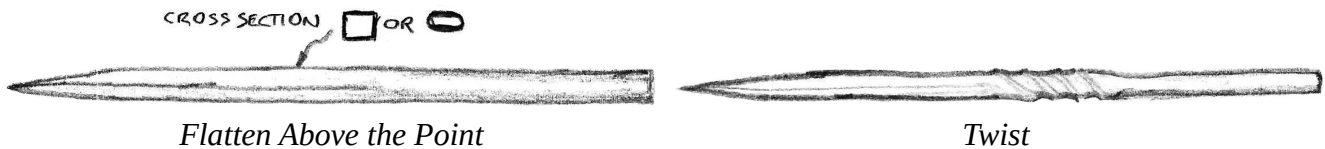
Material: Mild steel, ¼ inch or 6 mm round, about either 6 inches/15 cm or 10 inches/25 cm length.

Put a square taper on one end of the rod, about 1 inch / 2.5 cm long.



Square Taper

Forge 2 or 4 flat sides just above the taper to about 4-5 inches/10-12 cm above the point, so that the twist will be visible. Twist the flattened portion above the taper to form the handle.



Form a taper at least 1 inch/2.5 cm long on the other end. Start square, then forge to octagonal and then round (“square-octagon-round”). Blend the taper into the round stock.



Taper Other End (Square, Octagon, Round)

Start the top finial by turning a tiny round scroll.

Finish the top finial according to the chosen design. Three examples:



Option 1: 6”/15 cm stock

Cool the tiny round scroll, and scroll the opposite direction to form a ¾ inch/2 cm circle. Hook the circle on the tip of the horn, and tap just off the circle to bring the circle onto the center line of the body.

Option 2: 10”/25 cm stock

Continue rolling up the tiny round scroll to form a small disk, about ½ inch/1¼ cm. Stop when the overall length is about 9 inches/22 cm. At about 2½ inches/6 cm from the end, bend the top back to form an offset handle.

Option 3: 10”/25 cm stock

Continue rolling up the tiny round scroll to form a large disk. Stop when the overall length is about 6½ inches/16 cm. Offset the scroll at the base of the disk so that it’s centered over the body.