

SK88 Chuck is supplied with  
Dovetail E Jaws (109816)  
Faceplate Ring (109817)  
Screw Chuck (109818) & Key



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## Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the Essential SK88 Chuck. In this leaflet you will find simple instructions on how to maintain your chuck, how it works and how to ensure the chuck and its components remain clean and free from wear.

## Using the chuck

Under no circumstances should any additional leverage be used to gain a mechanical advantage when tightening the chuck onto a workpiece as this will only damage the scroll and reduce its accuracy. When holding a large or heavy item in the chuck jaws, tighten all three pinions in sequence to ensure maximum pressure is exerted on the jaws. In use, you should find the Essential SK88 Chuck to be smooth and accurate to operate.

## Safety instructions for chucks

When using this chuck please follow the basic safety precautions and observe the following specific precautions:

**DO** ensure the chuck is screwed fully onto the headstock shaft.

**DO** ensure that all accessory fittings are secure before starting your lathe.

**DO** start the machine in a slow speed if the work is unbalanced.

**DO** make sure the chuck key is removed from the chuck before switching on.

**DO** be aware that when gripping large diameter workpieces that the jaws may extend beyond the boundary of the chuck body.

**DO** keep your hands clear until the chuck has stopped rotating.

**DO NOT** attempt to exceed the normal capacity of any jaw fitted to the chuck as the jaws may not fully engage the scroll if they are extended too far.

**DO NOT** run your lathe in reverse.

## Care instructions for chuck

In order to keep your chuck in good condition and prevent tarnishing, we recommend spraying it lightly with a dry lubricant on a regular basis. You should do this more frequently if you are working in a damp workshop or turning wet timber.



## Accessory Mounting Jaws

Manufactured in Axminster, these jaws are a precision fit for your chuck.

They feature a safety screw which prevents the jaws being extended too far from the chuck body. The screw is located on jaw 4 and must be in place before use.

Look out for the red dot on the side of all 4 jaws. If the dots are visible this means the screw is not in place and the jaws have been extended too far.

Look through the back of the chuck to see the screw.

To remove the mounting jaws, first remove the safety screw **A**.



**Essential SK88  
Accessory  
Mounting Jaws -  
Code 106817**

