1. sand down to 400 to 600 grit

2. buff well then soak submerged 3 days in mix of 5 parts deftoil to 1 part boiled linseed oil &1 part

polyurethane gloss varnish.

 remove & drain until slightly tacky, if not totally soaked repeat dipping & draining process until vessel appears to be totally saturated. Rub dry with soft paper towel until all surface material has been removed.

4. dry over night with fan. buff surface well.

5. use brush & wet with the following solution,4 parts deftoil to 1 part polyurethane gloss varnish, let set a few minutes until slightly tacky, rub dry with soft paper towel, dry overnight & buff well.

6. repeat step 5 until desired finish is obtained, usually

3 to 5 times.

7. buff well then wax with renaissance wax

8. tips, do not patch with glue until first soaking is complete. Do not use sanding sealer as it will affect soaking. If knots need repair prior to soaking do so with caution, avoiding super glue spots on vessel surface outside knot area. other wood waxes work, I like renaissance because it does not finger spot & lasts much longer. Other types of wood work well with this process by limiting step 2 to 1 hour soaking time all other steps remain the same.

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