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Hollowing Tool Links

There are a lot of hollowing systems, bars, and cutters out there. Most of the bars and cutters can be put into different systems and handles. Keep in mind that most any hollowing bar that looks like the right shape can be made to work. If it's in a dedicated handle, just remove it and use it in your captured handle.

Hollowing Systems

The Lyle Jamieson captured system is very versatile. It is usually my first choice. Made in the USA: <https://lylejamieson.com/product-category/catalog/>

Steve Sinner, Advanced Lathe Tools, has a very well made system. It excels at deep hollowing. He also sells really nice tool rests, steady rests, and other stuff. Made in the USA: <https://advancedlathetools.com/>

John Jordan's Arm Brace is the best option for hand held hollowing. His bent bars are quite good, also, and come in a range of sizes. You can't easily put a teardrop cutter on them, but it could be argued that you don't need that nice of a finish in the far reaches of the shape. John used to make all of the tools himself, and Vicki is having them made locally now: <https://www.johnjordanwoodturning.com/hollowing-tools.html>

Trent Bosch makes some good hollowing systems, captured and otherwise. His Visualizer, using a camera to measure wall thickness, is revolutionary. He has a good selection of different size and shape bars His stuff is all made by him in his Colorado shop: <https://trentboschtools.com/product-category/hollowing-tools/>.

Carter Products has a system called Hollow Roller, and lots of accessories: <https://carterproducts.com/turning-tools/hollow-roller-lathe-boring.>

The Elbo system is at the forefront of articulated systems: <https://wtwtim.com/elbo-2-hollowing-system-1/>

Bars and cutters

Sorby bought the design of Dennis Stewart's system some time ago and still sell it. Here's one of their bars that looks good: <https://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/p/133/5557/robert-sorby-Bent-Shank-Multi-Tip-Hollowing-Tool.>

Craft Supplies has a large selection of other hollowing system stuff, including swivel assemblies and cutters. <https://www.woodturnerscatalog.com/t/133/Hollowing-Tools.>

Packard Woodworks has some good hollowers, and systems: <https://www.packardwoodworks.com/SFNT.html>