

The Old Stables Pottery

Wheel Throwing Course

For beginners or improvers, spread of two days

Overview

Session 1 (a full day): 9:30am – 4:30pm

All courses are fun and informative. With a maximum of four attendees, you can be sure of plenty of wheel time and 1-2-1 guidance. The course includes clear demonstrations and plenty of advice.

For beginners, this is a great introduction to throwing pots on a wheel.

For improvers, the day will be tailored to your requirements, for example how to throw taller one piece pots or how to make larger two piece pots. Alternatively how to throw larger platters or how to better manage shaping pots.

This day includes morning and afternoon tea/coffee. At lunchtime we retire to the main house and enjoy a tasty lunch, such as a quiche and salad, and discuss progress and the afternoon session!

Session 2 (a half day): 9:30am – 12:30am *(or another time slot by agreement)*

This session is usually held within a couple of weeks of the throwing day, as your pots must still be at the leather hard stage. You will be using turning tools to refine the shape of the pots that you threw and potentially turning a foot ring on any suitable pots.

When your pots are finished, they will be ready for bisque firing to 1000°C.

Session 3 (a half day): 9:30am – 12:30am *(or another time slot by agreement)*

This final session is spent getting your bisque fired pots ready for glazing. You will use wax resist to protect parts of your pots and then glaze them according to your preferences – you'll receive plenty of advice and have test tiles to refer to for a greater insight.

After a few weeks your pots will be glaze fired to 1220°C and can then be collected from the pottery.

Booking & Prices

All course dates are agreed by arrangement, so please just make contact and we'll compare diaries.

If booking for one or two course attendees, the price is £170 per person

If booking for three course attendees, the price is £160 per person

If booking for four course attendees, the price is £150 per person

Each attendee can choose their best four pieces for bisque firing and glazing, with the finished pots being included in the price of the course.