

## Technical Memo T104

## Thank you for your purchase of our Rivet Setter & Copper Rivets. For best results, please review these helpful instructions.



## **Tools Needed**

Rivet Setter Side Cutting Nippers Copper Rivets and Burrs Rawhide or Wooden Mallet Support

## **Please Note**

We recommend that you practice this on a piece of off-cut from your project the first time that you use this tool.



**Step 1** Prepare the project for riveting with a hole that is "just right" for the size rivet that you are using. The ideal hole is snug; not a sloppy fit, nor undersized. Decide which face of your project will get the rivet's head and which face will get the burr. Assemble your project, insert the rivet and start the burr onto the rivet tip. It will only travel a small distance.



**Step 4** Place concave recess rivet setter on the burr. Hold perpendicular and strike the tool forcefully, turning to left and right as you strike. This spreads the end of the rivet over the burr, simultaneously rounding its end. A few extra hammer blows can be used to flatten the rivet end a bit, if desired.



**Step 2** Use a bench-anvil or similar hard surface as backing for the next steps. Use the deep hole in the end of the rivet setting tool to drive the burr down tight against the leather. A rawhide or wooden mallet is best for striking the rivet setter.



Step 5 "Set" copper rivet and burr.



**Step 3** Cut the rivet off close to the burr with side or end nippers. Do not cut flush with the burr, leave about 1/16" above burr.