

SIMPLE FEATURE DESIGN

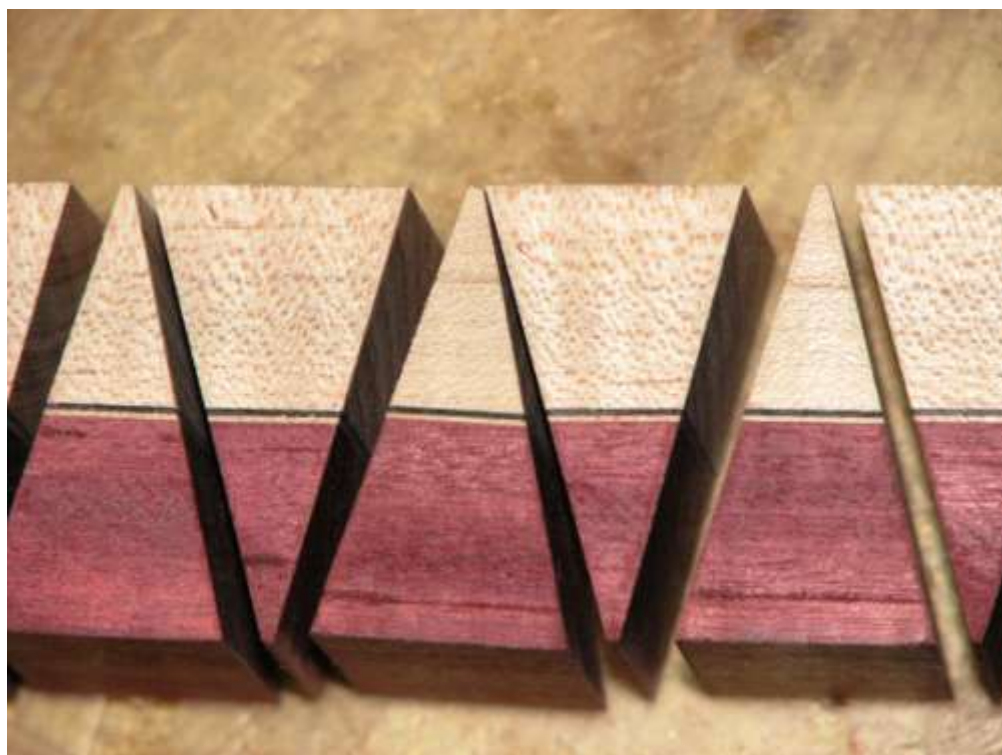


This is a simple design that again, only takes a couple of contrasting laminated boards to construct. I'm thinking of some different modifications to this type of pattern, but that may have to wait till the next symposium.

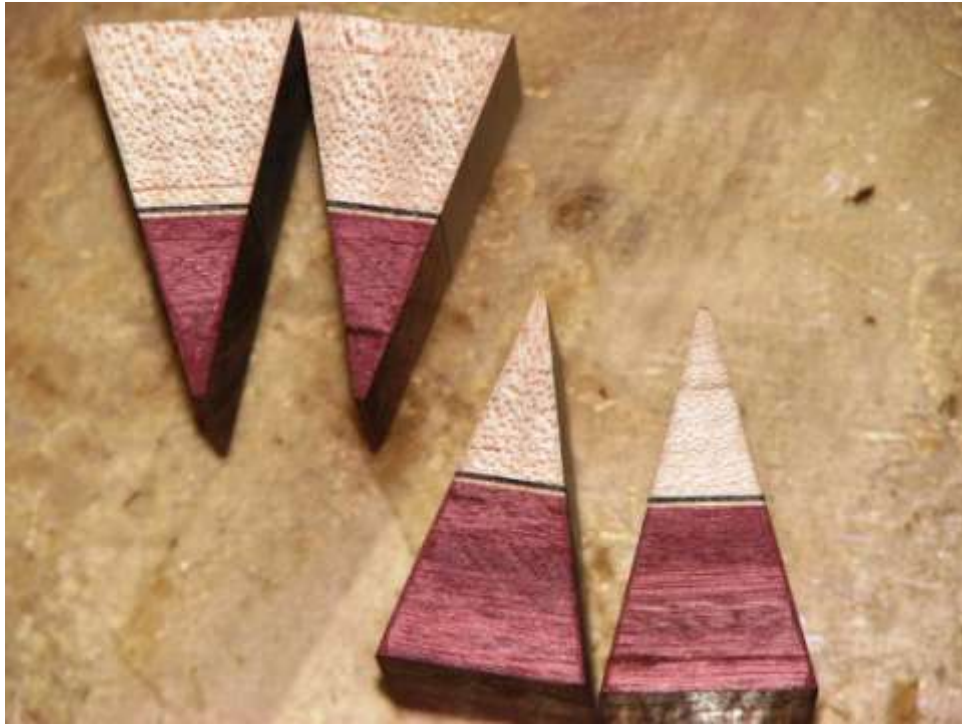
First off, as I said, I started off with contrasting boards. The dimensions of my boards were the standard $\frac{3}{4}$ " thickness. The width and length of the boards are now forgotten, and would be different from another vessel anyway, so I'll leave that up to you. I also used a couple of contrasting veneers for details.



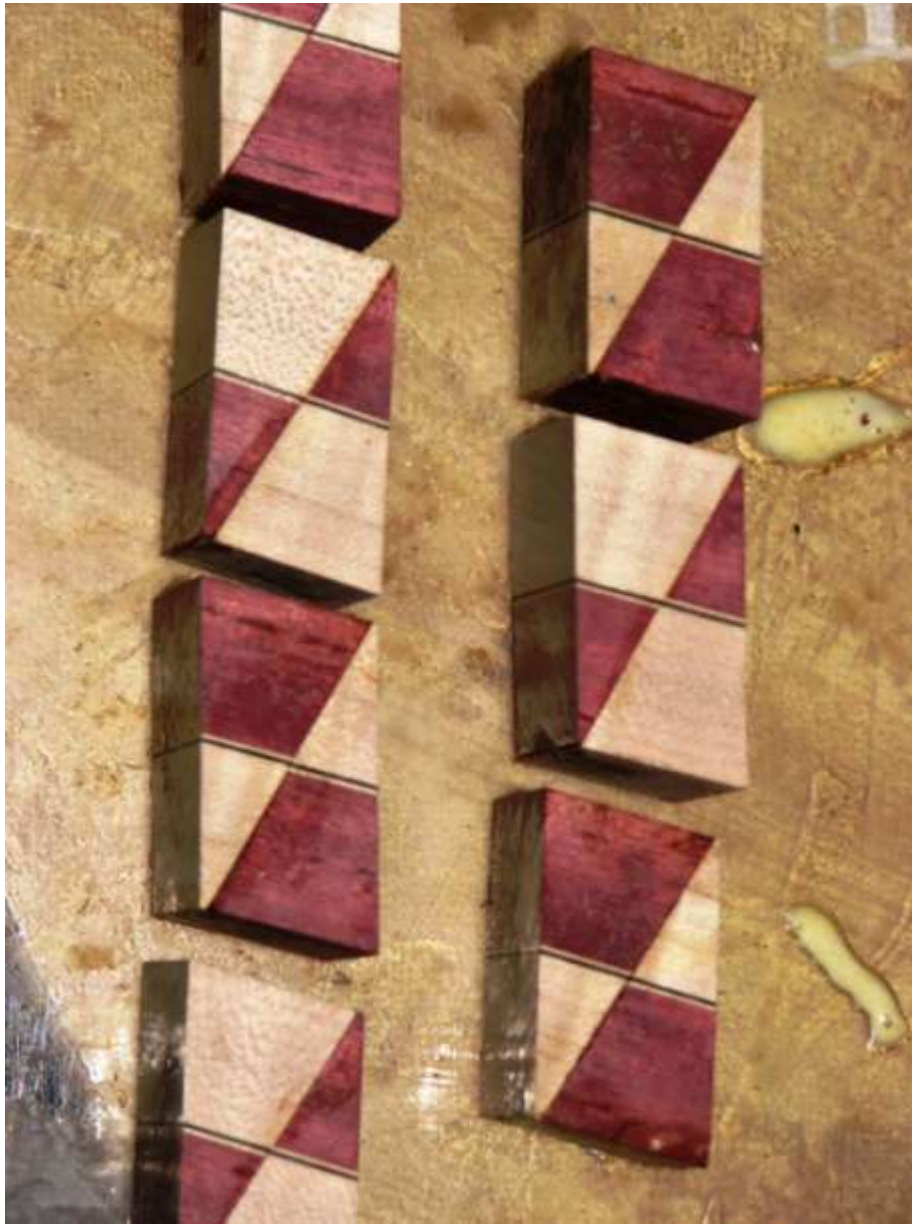
I cut these wedges at 15 degrees.



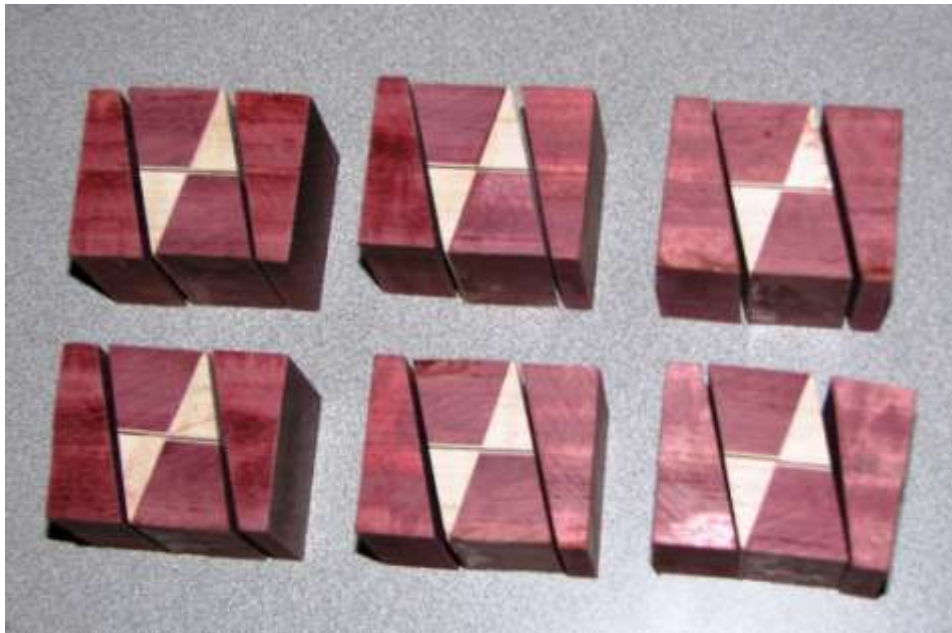
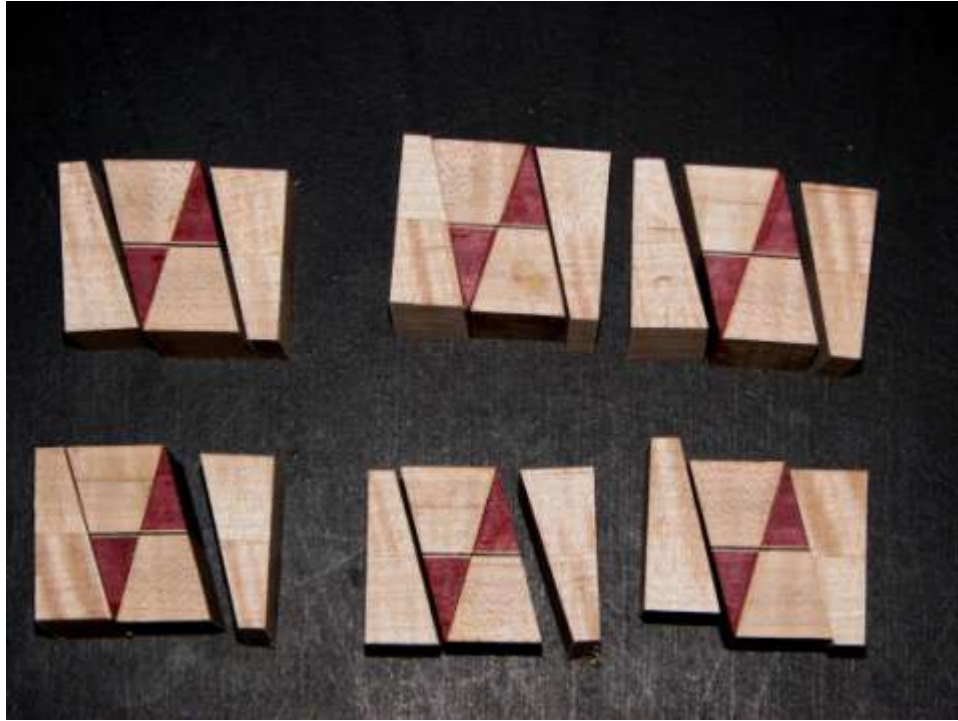
Now by matching up every other cut wedge we can start our design. Just invert each piece with a similar one and our pattern begins to emerge.



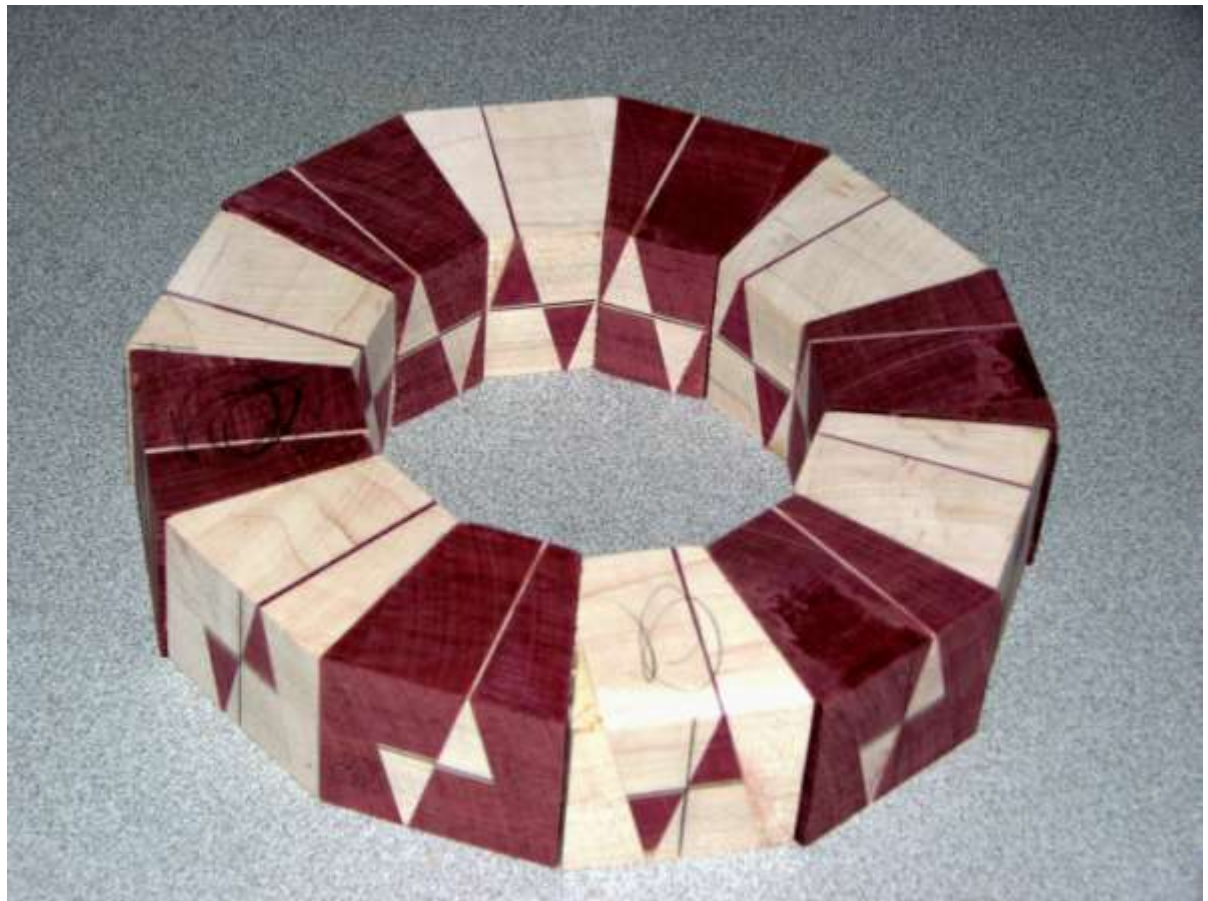
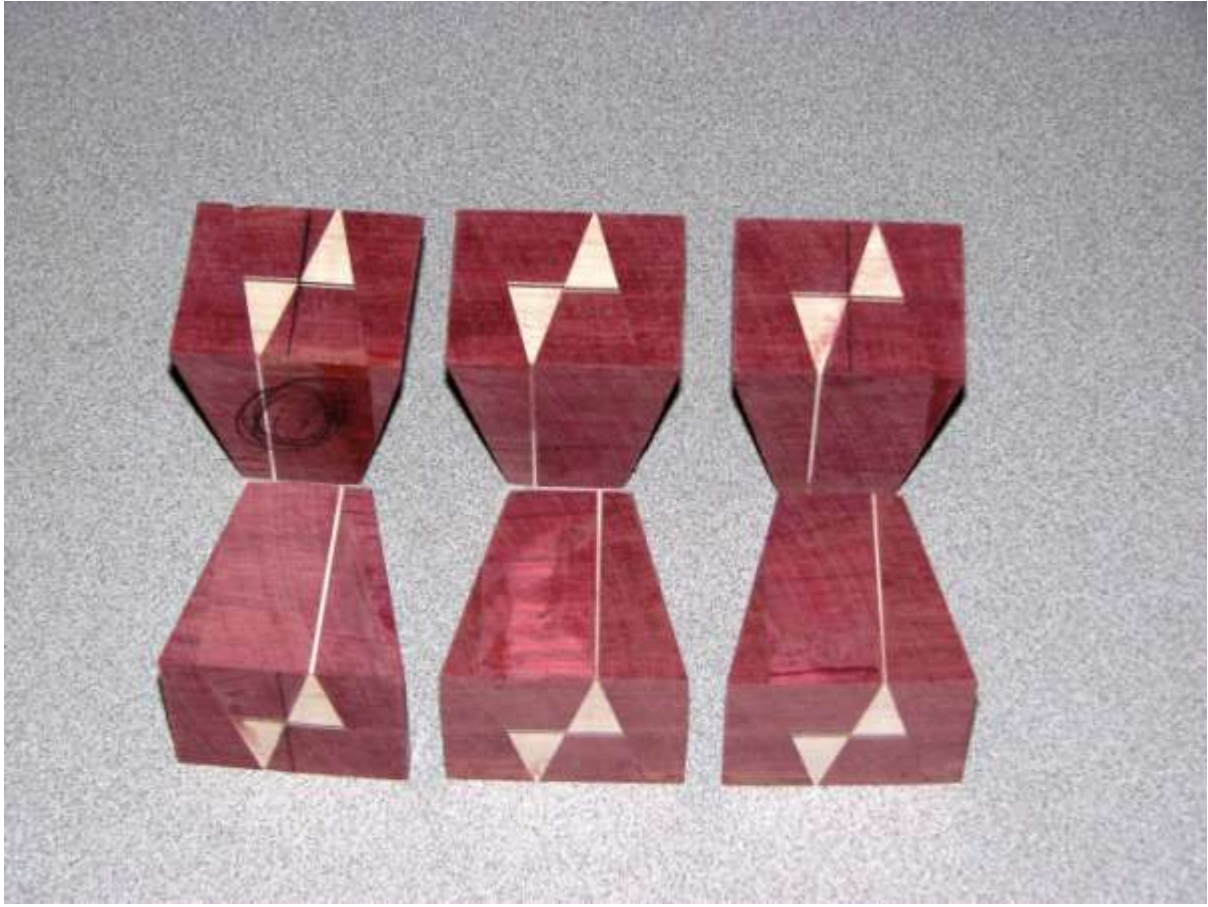
Here I have all my pieces sanded and glued together and now all I have to do is add a couple of strips of corresponding woods to each end and cut to my final dimensions.



Below are the pieces of maple and purpleheart that I cut to complete the segment. I try to use thick enough pieces so that when I cut the angles of the segments I won't cut into the actual design.



Again, a bit of sanding and gluing and I have my block complete and will only need to cut the angles to construct my ring. Below you can see my completed segments and these can be glued up just like a standard ring.



Just a simple, but effective design with many possible modification opportunities.
I hope this helps, but more than that, I hope it helps you discover more designs of
your own with different wood choices and lamination patterns.

Good luck and have fun!



Here are some photos of some other designs I was playing around with just to give you an idea of how these can be modified to form new features.

