



KAYU

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USER MANUAL

# HOW KAYU IS MADE

Kayu, which you are holding, was completely designed, produced and assembled in the Czech Republic. I turn it from recycled pen blanks and the inner parts are made from brass. The colored parts are turned from aluminium and I anodize them afterwards. The nib, converter and three magnets are the only non-handmade parts. Nibs and converters are made in Germany by Schmidt and the magnets are tailor-made by Unimagnet.

The paper used for boxes and prints is also recycled, felt covers are sewn by Mrs. Modráková and boxes are done by Mrs. Kurfürstová.

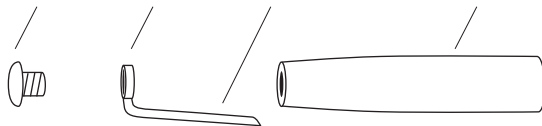
By holding this pen you confirm that fountain pens are not only used for signing contracts and you also manage to prove that quality craft always has a chance to be successful. Apart from this, you help a few people to follow their dream.

Thank you for that!

Michal Klaška

# CONSTRUCTION OF KAYU

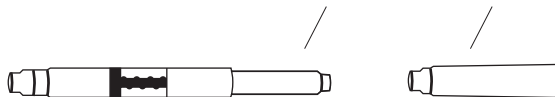
BLIND CAP | CLIP | SERIAL NUMBER | CAP



NIB | MAGNETIC RING | SECTION | BARREL



CONVERTER | CARTRIDGE



## BASIC USAGE

Despite being hand-made and produced with maximum effort, it is necessary to keep in mind that Kayu really is wooden. Frequent falls, rough manipulation or malpractice are certain to have an impact on it's look and function.

*My tip*

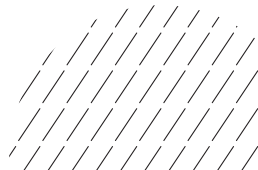
*It is highly recommended to use the pen case which is included in this package. The case and regular cleaning will prolong pen's longevity substantially.*

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# PEN FILLING

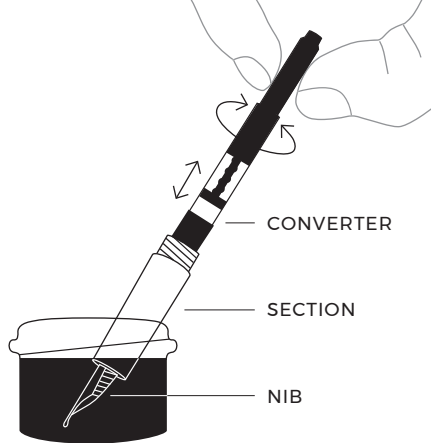
## FILLING BY CONVERTER

If you are using a converter, unscrew the barrel from the section. Empty the converter by turning it's upper end until the piston reaches it's lowest position.

Be careful, a few drops of ink may flow out. Then sink the whole nib and the beginning of the section under the ink surface and turn the upper part of the converter until the piston reaches it's highest position. This way the pen is filled up. Clear it gently by a piece of cloth and screw the barrel back on.

## FILLING WITH CARTRIDGES

If you use cartridges, unscrew the barrel from the section, take the cartridge out and insert the new one into the section. It is necessary to push it a bit harder so that the ink starts following. Basically, it clicks. Kayu is compatible with standard international sized cartridges.



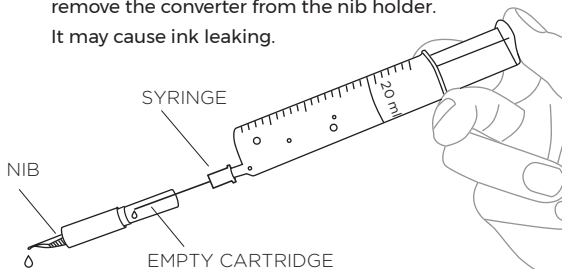
### *My tip*

*If the pen is being filled with cartridge for the first time or it has not been used for quite a while, it will take some time before it starts writing since the ink has to flow down to the nib. If you are in a hurry, you can try squeezing out the ink from the converter by turning the upper end and moving the piston down a bit. If using cartridges, you will have wait a little.*

# PEN MAINTENANCE

## PEN WITH CONVERTER

Unscrew the barrel and suck and drain away clean water (ideally distilled) with the nib as if you were filling the pen. Keep rinsing until there is clean water coming out of the pen, ideally until the inside of the converter is totally clean without any ink. As soon as you are ready, dry the pen out with a piece of cloth and screw the barrel back on. Never remove the converter from the nib holder. It may cause ink leaking.



## PEN WITH CARTRIDGES

After unscrewing the barrel, you basically have two options. Either you can rinse the whole section and nib without the cartridge under running water, occasional blow is also allowed; or you can be more sophisticated and use an injection with syringe to rinse the whole system thoroughly (see the picture). Keep rinsing until clean water is coming out, then dry it with a piece of cloth and put the barrel back.

*My tip*

*I recommend the water cleansing at least every two months and also whenever you change the colour or the type of ink. If you do not use the pen for some time, keep it without ink and rinsed. Also regularly check cleanness of the inner cap and remove any dirt or ink dried inside.*

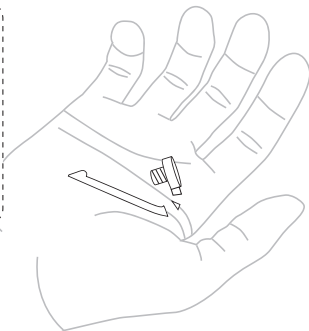


## CLEANING OF THE SURFACE

I recommend to clean it by a piece of cloth wetted by spirit or citric acid. Try removing more resistant stains using technical alcohol. However, do it not too often since it's use is not good for the finish. Don't use diluents, petrol or other solvents. It might end up a disaster.

### *My tip*

*In an unlikely case of destroying any of the parts go to the [www.kayu.cz](http://www.kayu.cz), find my details and contact me. We will definitely think up what to do. Some parts are possible to be changed others might be repaired. Don't worry, we will make it work again.*





## LET YOUR FRIENDS KNOW ABOUT KAYU

If your Kayu makes you happy, I will be pleased  
if you let your friends know or leave some comment on social media.  
I wish you happy and long writing with Kayu.

**Michal Klaška**

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### *Don't forget!*

*The ink in the pen is very difficult to remove from skin, textile and other materials so I recommend to use the pen accordingly. Be aware that the pen also consists of magnetic parts.*

*Magnets might influence the function of pacemakers and implanted heart defibrillators. In case you have these additional devices, keep them in appropriate distance.*

*Magnets might damage appliances like TV, laptops, hard disks, credit cards, watch, mobile phones etc. so keep them in appropriate distance.*