

BOWL GOUGE BASICS – SHAPES

There are several different bowl gouge flute shapes. The shape of the flute is created by the shape of the milling tool used to mill out the flute area.

Some bowl gouges, especially older models are made with deep “V” shape, or a deep “U” shaped flute designs. Both of these gouge shapes are generally regarded as less desirable because they can catch or grab easily and don’t provide a smooth even cut.

The most popular bowl gouge flute shape is the parabolic or modified shorter “U” shape that leaves an even thick path of supportive metal at the base of the gouge. Another name for this gouge profile is a “super-flute.”



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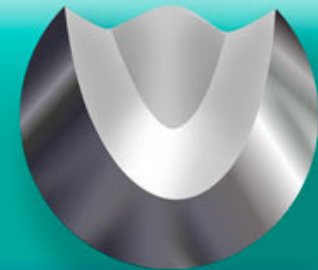
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V-FLUTE



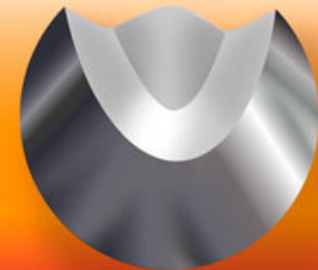
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U-FLUTE DEEP



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PARABOLIC SUPER-FLUTE



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