

2011/12/03 14:52:19 Used the smallest flue Superior Clay made (4.5" x 8.5"). Cut bottom pieces to form taper to single upper flue.



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Got better as a went.

Cutting the infill pieces between dome and back of arch was difficult.



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I cut dome "voussoirs" tapered in both dimensions. Forno Bravo forum was huge help in predicting angles. I did trial and error at first with OK results.



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I cut wood dowels to support the upper voussoirs.



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I found that cutting test fit pieces out of foam glass scraps made fitting easy. I recommend this to save time and effort. Use the foam glass scrap as a template.

Getting cold.

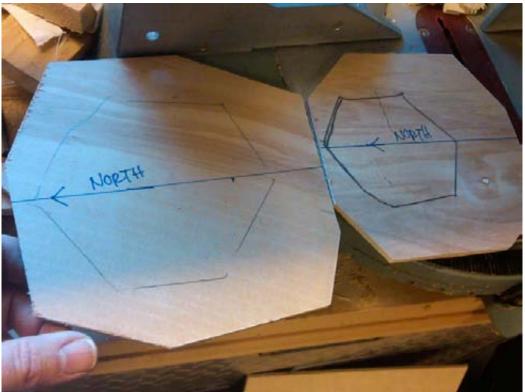


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For the upper voussoirs, I used supporting dowels with drywall screws top and bottom (with bugle heads snipped off) to get better traction.



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My son helped me trace the upper and lower footprints of the keystone from inside and outside the dome. Recommend this.

Shot of the dowels with drywall screws at both ends. Worked great.



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Closing the dome.



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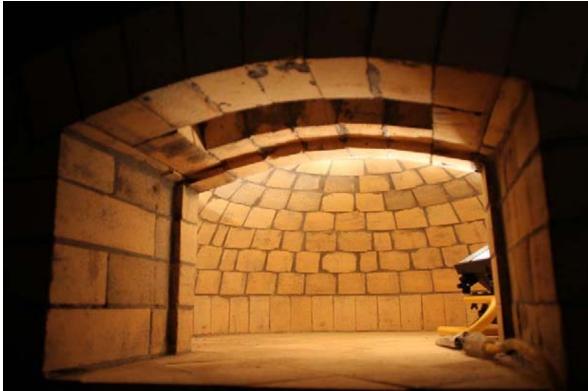
2011/12/13 19:46:40 My daughter got into to helping me start with the cleaning.



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I cured the oven with propane burner from Cajun Cooker. This worked well.



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I increased time and temp per Forno Bravo recommendations.



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I removed the tent for safety when working with the Insulfrax blankets I purchased from Forno Bravo.

I used colored mason's line to keep tension on each of the three layers of Insulfrax. I tied them off to tapcons screwed to the upper slab. Worked well.



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My second layer of blanket insulation. Changed colors of mason's line to keep things straight. Tied this off to tapcons screwed to upper concrete bricks.