

# DROP CENTER BOWL

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## MATERIALS:

- [GM131 Patty Gray Medium Round Dam](#)
- [GM232 Small Round Slump Ring](#)
- Various Fusible Compatible Glass (COE96 Used Here)
- Suitable Glass Separator (ZYP Recommended)
- Kiln Shelf Paper
- Mosaic Nipper

Prepare the molds thoroughly with suitable glass separator before beginning. We recommend spray-on ZYP. **Always wear a mask when applying spray-on separator or using powder frits.**

## FUSING IN GM131:

Place a 7.75" circle of kiln shelf paper inside the GM131 Dam. Use a mosaic nipper to nip sheet glass pieces to fill the bottom of the mold with a single layer of glass. There will be gaps between the pieces, so use compatible Fine and Medium grain frit to fill them until the bottom is uniformly filled, as **any gaps in this bottom layer may trap air and lead to eruptions**. Alternately, you can cut a 7-7/8" circle of Standard Clear to place in the bottom of the mold instead.

Repeat the process of nipping and placing glass on top of the first layer until there are two **full** layers of glass in the Dam, then partially cover the second layer with a few more glass pieces. Fire the filled mold on a level shelf in the kiln using the suggested schedule in **Table 1** or your own preferred full fuse (though note the hotter maximum temperature due to the nearly three layers of glass present).

## SLUMPING INTO GM232:

Place the primed GM232 Shelf Ring on a piece of kiln shelf paper on a level kiln shelf. Make sure the kiln shelf paper is large enough to cover the entire hole and that no bare shelf is visible when looking down through the hole. Test to make sure the mold is even by placing a scrap sheet of glass on top and checking with a level.

Once level, center the cooled glass blank atop the Shelf Ring, and fire using the suggested schedule in **Table 2** or your own preferred slump (again noting the hotter maximum temperature due to the nearly three layers of glass present).

**TABLE 1: FULL FUSE \***

Seg.	Rate	Temp (°F)	Hold
1	275	1150	60
2	50	1330	30
3	350	1470**	10
4	9999	950***	90
5	100	500	00

**TABLE 2: SLUMP \***

Seg.	Rate	Temp (°F)	Hold
1	250	1250	30
2	200	1370**	30
3	9999	950***	90
4	100	500	00

\*Before firing, it's important to know your kiln to see if you need to adjust suggested schedules for your use. For tips, please [click here for our Firing Notes!](#)

\*\*Note that these top temperatures are for almost **three full layers** of glass. If only using two layers, drop them closer to 1460°F and 1350°F respectively.

\*\*\*If using COE90, adjust these to 900°F

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