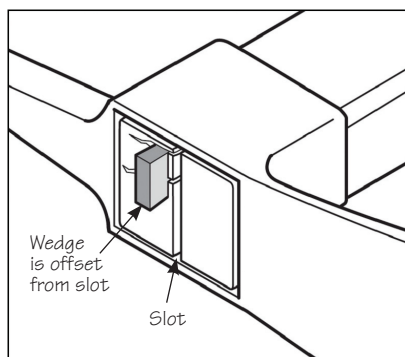


- **Always** wear safety glasses and proper footwear when using these tools.
- Use these tools only for what they are designed to do.
- Keep bystanders a safe distance away.
- Keep away from children.
- Clean mattocks after each use.

The stainless-steel mattock heads are secured to the Japanese white oak handle with a steel wedge that is purposefully offset from the slot to ensure a tight connection. Offsetting the steel wedge from the slot results in cracks and splits in the wood that serve to further tighten the joint.



While it is normal for the end of the wedge to stick out from the top of the handle, make sure the head is fixed tightly on the handle before each use; otherwise, the head may come off while working. If the head feels loose, tap the exposed wedge a little deeper into the handle. **Do not** drive the entire wedge into the handle at once, as this will damage the handle.

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