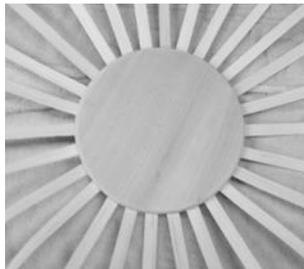


Winter Blues

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Material: 4" round slotted base
#2 RR dyed Powder Blue
3/16 FO
11/64 FF
3/8 FO
6" closed notch square top handle
Ceramic snowman



Spoke Cuts: From 3/16 FO cut 33 @ 8 1/2". Using wood glue, insert the spokes evenly spaced into the base with the oval side of the spokes facing upward. Let the spokes dry for at least 20 minutes before weaving.

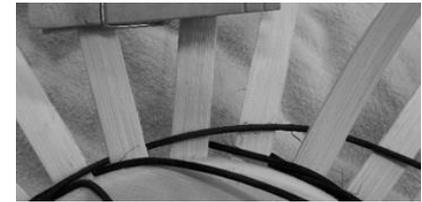
Base Weaving: You will be triple twining with three pieces of #2 RR dyed Powder Blue. You will weave a step up at the end of each row. You will weave the first row with the base flat on the table and the oval sides of the spokes facing UP. Mist the spokes and weave three additional rows of triple twine in your lap softly upsetting the spokes away from you as you weave. You will have a total of four rows of triple twine.

To triple twine, use three well soaked pieces of dyed #2 RR and start the pieces behind three consecutive spokes. Mark the spoke to the left of the start with a clothes pin to help with the step up process.

Starting with the weaver on the left, weave to the right over two spokes, behind one spoke and to the outside. Continue all the way around the basket taking the weaver on the left and weaving over two spokes, behind one spoke and to the outside.



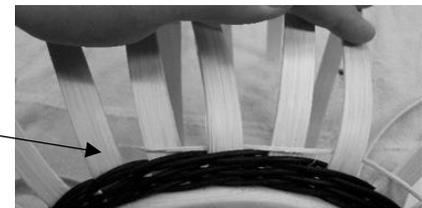
When you have woven behind the spoke to the left of the first weaver started, or behind the spoke marked with the clothes pin, weave the step up. Instead of taking the weaver on the left, take the weaver on the right and weave over two, behind one and to the outside. Take the next weaver on the right and repeat, over two, behind one and to the outside. Weave the last weaver the same way.



You will be weaving a total of four rows of triple twine. Weave the first row with the base flat on the table. Weave the next three rows with the base in your lap and softly upsetting the spokes as you weave. Be sure to weave a step up at the end of each row. End the weavers after the fourth row of triple twine.



Side Weaving: The weaving up the side of the basket is continuous Over 1/Under 1 weaving with a well soaked piece of 11/64 FF. You will taper the beginning of the first piece of 11/64 FF for 3" – 4". Start the tapered end of the piece BEHIND any spoke. You will be holding the basket in your lap and continue to upset the spokes until the basket is 6" across the diameter – the width of your handle. Check your handle width often as you weave.



When a weaver runs out, do NOT taper the end again. Simply overlap the beginning of a new piece of 11/64 FF with the ending of the previous weaver by four spokes.

I slid the ceramic snowman onto row 16 of the side weaving.

The snowman sits OVER a spoke.

Weave a total of 25 rows of 11/64 FF. Taper the end of the last row of 11/64 FF to match the taper at the beginning of the side weaving.

Pack all weaving.

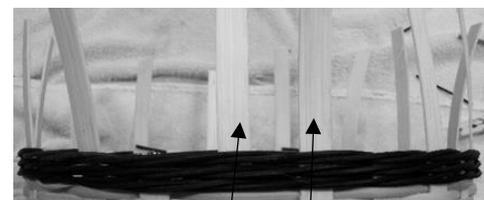


^ Tool is showing the start of the taper

Triple twine three rows with #2 RR dyed Powder Blue with a step up at the end of each row.

Cut and Tuck: Re-wet the tops of the spokes.

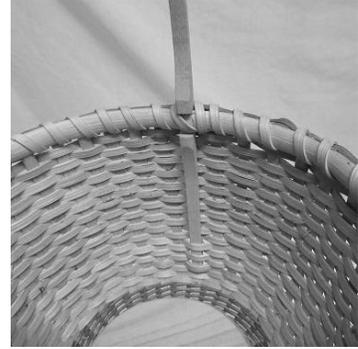
You have an odd number of spokes: Starting anywhere, TUCK TWO spokes in a row. From this point, working to the right, cut and tuck every other spoke – as in normal cutting and tucking. Tuck the spokes down through two rows of weaving.



Two Tucked Spokes

Handle: With the odd number of spokes, find the two spokes that are the most centered across from each other. Insert the handles down through three rows of weaving at the tips of the handle. The notch of the handle will lay over the top three rows of triple twine.

Rim: The outside rim is the last three rows of triple twine. The inside rim is a piece of 3/8 FO with a 2" overlap. The rim filler is two pieces of #2 RR Stonewash Blue. The lasher is a piece of 11/64 FF.



When finished, add a couple 'mounds' of snow for your snowman with #2 RR Powder Blue. See photo on first page of pattern.

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