

Celebration

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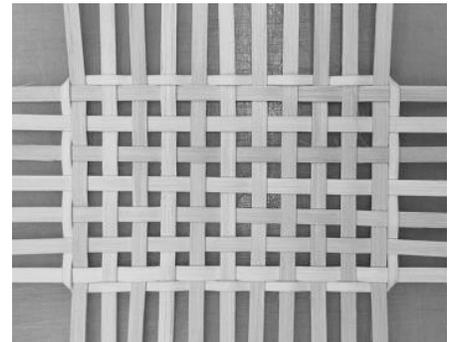
Material: 3/8 FF
1/4 FF
3/8 FO
Seagrass
6" Square Notched Handle
11/64 FO Dyed and Natural



Spoke Cuts: From 3/8 FF cut 7 @ 24" and 11 @ 21". Soak the spokes in warm water for 30 seconds. Mark the centers of the spokes on the bad sides.

Base Layout: In order for the directions to work for the dyed "streamers" that accent the side of the basket, please follow the layout for the base that is written.

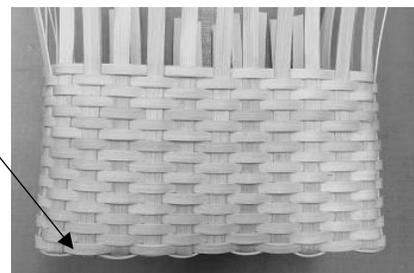
Lay the 7 spokes @24" horizontally on the table in front of you. Vertically weave a 21" spoke down the center of the horizontal spokes starting OVER. Weave five spokes on each side of the center vertical spokes. Square the base to measure 8" x 5".



Using a soaked, medium piece of 1/4" FF, weave a locking row around the base, mitering at the corners.

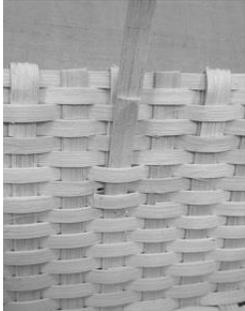
Upset the spokes.

Side Weaving: The side weaving is completed using 1/4 FF. There are 18 rows of weaving. The first row of weaving will start on the second spoke from the left corner of the basket on a long side. Be sure to keep the spokes evenly spaced and standing straight up and down while weaving – especially at the corners. Do not allow the basket to go 'in' as you weave up the sides of the basket. Check the handle often for fit.



After 18 rows of weaving. Pack the basket to make it level.

Cut and Tuck: Cut the spokes on the inside of the basket flush with the top of the last row of weaving. Tuck the spokes on the outside of the basket to the inside of the basket under two rows of weaving.

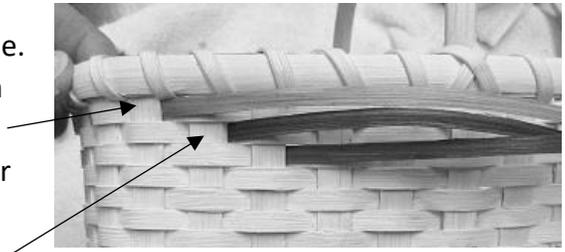


Handle: The handle is inserted on the inside of the basket. Find the center spoke on the long side of the basket. The tip of the handle will be inserted under TWO rows of weaving. Do NOT insert the whole handle shaft. The notch of the handle will lay at the bottom of the last row of weaving.

Rim: Rim the basket with 3/8 FO on the inside and outside of the basket. Fill the center of the rims with seagrass. Lash the basket with 11/64 FO – making an 'x' at the handles.

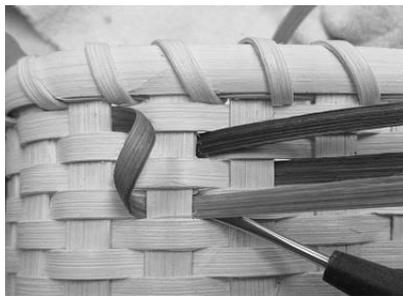
Streamers: Add color to the side of the basket in streamer fashion. I used space dyed Primary Colors for my streamers – Cut 6 pieces of 11/64 FO @ 10". (Three pieces for each side)

It is easiest to begin three pieces on one side at one time. On a long side of the basket, locate the corner spoke on the left. Insert a piece of space dyed 11/64 FO for a streamer between this corner spoke and the top weaver with the *oval side* of the weaver facing the basket.



Insert the second 11/64 FO space dyed streamer between the second spoke from the left corner and the second weaver down from the rim – with the oval side of the weaver facing the basket.

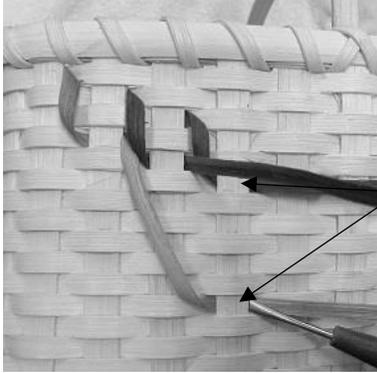
Insert the third 11/64 FO space dyed streamer between the third spoke from the left corner and the third weaver down from the rim – oval side facing the basket.



Taking the first streamer piece inserted, curl it down and over itself, with the oval side now facing out, to make what I call a 'roller coaster loop'. Insert the streamer piece between the next spoke to the right and three weavers down. (Forth weaver from the top) The piece will be inserted with the oval side facing the basket.

You will repeat this same curl with the second and third streamer pieces – inserting the pieces one spoke to the right and three weavers down. Adjust the curls to be the same size.

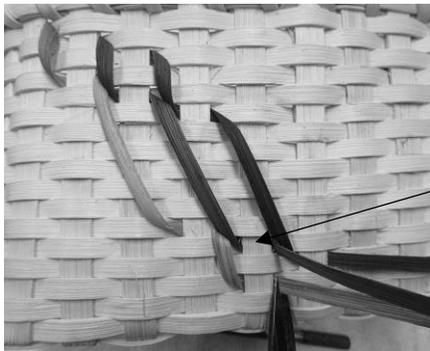




The streamer pieces will now be curled and inserted in the same fashion TWO spokes to the right and NINE rows down.

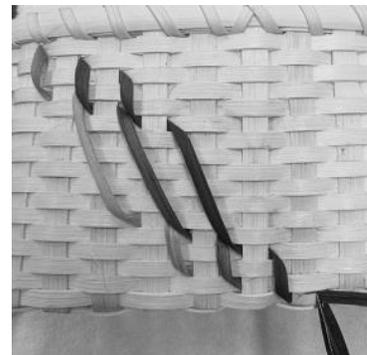
Looking at the photo on the left, the first streamer will be inserted on the SAME spoke the third streamer was last inserted on – the fourth spoke from the left corner. It will be inserted on the sixth weaver from the bottom of the basket.

Repeat curling the second and third streamer pieces – two spokes to the right and nine weavers down. The second streamer will be on the fifth weaver from the base and the third streamer will be on the fourth weaver from the base.



Finish the streamers by making one last small curl with each piece. Curl the first streamer and insert it one spoke to the right and three weavers down. (The third weaver from the base) This curl will be inserted on the same spoke where the second streamer was last inserted. Trim the end to hide behind the spoke.

Repeat with the second and third streamer pieces, curling and inserting them one spoke to the right and three weavers down. The second streamer will end on the second weaver from the base. The third streamer will end on the first weaver from the base.



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