

Instructions for: Woven Basket

Assembly Instructions:

1. Lay horizontal weaving strips (1" x 24") on top of your cardboard. Pin down ends.
2. Weave a vertical strip through the horizontal strips in a basket weave (over one horizontal strip, under the next horizontal strip and so forth). About 1/2" of the vertical strip will hang off at the top and bottom. Pin the vertical strip at the top and bottom to keep in place.
3. Repeat for next strip, except this time start opposite, under first horizontal strip, over next.
4. Repeat steps 3 & 4 for the rest of the vertical strips.
5. Pin ends at intersection and flip over onto ironing board. Apply fusible interfacing, following manufacturer's instructions, to the back of weaving.
6. With right sides together, stitch center back seam of weaving, using a 1" seam allowance. Trim to 1/2".
7. Apply fusible interfacing, following manufacturer's instructions, to the wrong side of basket bottom. With right sides together, pin basket bottom to weaving. Stitch, using a 1/2" seam allowance. Trim and clip.
8. With right sides together, stitch center back seam of basket lining.
9. With right sides together, pin basket bottom to weaving. Stitch, using a 1/2" seam allowance. Trim and clip.
10. To make handle. Take the 6 strips and pin them one on top of the other at the top, baste across the top to hold them together. Divide strips into 3 groups of two and braid strips together. Baste across the bottom.
11. With right sides together and the handle hanging down, pin handle to basket at sides. Baste in place.
12. With right sides together, pin basket lining to basket. Stitch around top using a 1/2" seam allowance and leaving a 3" opening for turning. Trim seam.
13. Turn basket to right side and press. Top stitch, making sure to catch opening in seam.
14. Fill up with lots of goodies and enjoy!



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Materials:

1. Sewing Machine & general sewing supplies
2. Iron & Ironing Board
3. Ruler
4. Pen
5. 1/4 yd. of Fabric 1
6. 1/ yd. of Fabric 2
7. 1/4 yd. of Double Faced Quilting for lining
8. 1/4 yd. of Interfacing
9. Cardboard or cork board (for weaving)

Cutting Instructions:

Helpful Hint: Use a rotary cutter and ruler to cut the strips. It is much easier and quicker!

Fabric 1:

1. Cut 1 8" diameter circle for your basket bottom.
2. Cut 9 1" x 12" rectangle strips on the fold. 3 are handle strips, 6 are horizontal weaving strips.

Fabric 2:

1. Cut 3 1" x 12" handle strips on the fold.
2. Draw 12 1" x 8" rectangle strips and cut through both layers of fabric, giving you 24 1" x 8" strips in total. These are vertical weaving strips.

Double Faced Quilting:

1. Cut 1 8" diameter circle for your basket bottom lining.
2. Cut 1 " x 8" rectangle for basket lining.

Interfacing:

1. Cut 1 8" diameter circle for your basket bottom.
2. Cut 1" x 6" rectangle for the back of your woven rectangle.

