

Game Day

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*Finished Dimensions:
17½" Long x 12½" Wide x 4¼" High*

MATERIALS:

8½" X 14¼" Oval slotted base

Football shaped, divided acrylic liner

¼" flat, dyed reed (color #1...mine is orange, shown in photo)

½" flat reed

#3 round reed, dyed (color #2...mine is black, shown in photo)

#3 Round reed

#6 round reed (dyed or natural for rim filler...or you can use seagrass)

¼" flat or flat/oval reed (rim row)

¼" flat/oval reed, dyed color #2 (mine is black in photo)

11/64" flat/oval reed, dyed color #2 (mine is black in photo)

½" flat/oval reed (inside and outside rims)

A small embellishment for your favorite team!

*****Before you begin, read through the instructions. As you weave, keep inserting the tray to make sure you are not getting too big or too small. Follow the circumference measurements I have listed and your basket should turn out just right for the liner to fit nicely.*****

From the ½" flat reed, cut 44 spokes @ 7" in length.

Insert damp spokes into the base, good side facing UP. Insert spoke at the tips of the base and then find centers on long side and insert one there. Insert 10 spokes, evenly spaced, into each vacant quadrant.

With #3 round, dyed reed (color 2...mine is black) triple twine 5 rows with a step up at the end of each row. See instructions for triple twining on the next page.

Triple Twining:

1. You have 3 long pieces of reed to use as weavers. Insert the end of each one behind 3 consecutive spokes.
2. The spoke that the weaver that is furthest to your left, is your *beginning spoke*. I cut an angle at the top of this spoke so I know when I have returned to my beginning spoke.
3. Take the weaver that is furthest to your left, of the 3 you just inserted, and make sure you weave on top of two spokes and behind one and out. Now this will become the furthest weaver on your right.
4. Again, take the weaver that is furthest to the left, weave on top of 2, behind one and out. This one now is the one that is furthest to the right of the 3 weavers.
5. Again, take the weaver that is furthest to the left of the 3 weavers, weave on top of 2 spokes, behind 1 and out. This is now the one that is furthest to your right of the 3 weavers.
6. Continue this around until you have woven one time behind each spoke. You will weave behind the spoke that is immediately to the left of your beginning spoke, and out, then stop and prepare to do the step-up.

Stepping-Up:

You have woven behind the spoke to the left of your beginning spoke and brought the end out to the outside of your basket. This is what you do next:

1. Take your weaver to the furthest right and go over 2 spokes and behind one and out.
2. Take the next weaver on the right and go over 2 spokes and behind one and out.
3. Repeat this with the last spoke and it will go behind the spoke you began behind then out.

If you need to weave another row, just begin triple twining again, if not, just end your weavers as normal, behind the spokes.

Keeping your spokes laying out flat, Start/stop weave 3 rows with 11/64" flat/oval reed, dyed color #2 (mine is black). Make sure you pack your rows after weaving.

Keeping the spokes laying out flat, triple twine 2 rows around with #3 round reed, natural, doing a step up after each row. (refer to previous instructions.)

Dampen your spokes and upset your weavers. Make sure the good side is on the outside of your basket!

Start/stop weave 5 rows with 1/4" flat, dyed reed, dyed color #1 (mine is orange). After you have woven the 3rd row, your circumference (the measurement around the outside of the basket) should measure 48" around and the 5th row should measure 48½" around.

Start/stop weave 5 rows with 1/4" flat/oval, dyed color #2 (mine is black). The circumference around should measure 49" around at the 2nd row around with this and then 50" around by the 5th row of this.

Start/stop weave 1 row with 1/4" flat/oval, natural reed. This is your rim row. Cut and tuck the spokes as follows.

Cutting and Tucking:

To Cut and Tuck spokes, you cut off the spokes that are on the inside of the basket, even with the top of the basket. Dampen the spokes that are on the outside of the basket and fold them over the top of the basket and tuck them down into the basket, behind one or two rows of weaving. (I always fold mine over and mark, with a pencil, where the end will stop after tucking behind a row of weaving, or two. Then I cut the spoke off at the mark. Then, I cut the tip at a slant, to give me a point to tuck it down in behind those weavers on the inside of the basket.)

Rim the inside and outside with 1/2" flat/oval reed and fill between the rims with either seagrass or #6 round (either dyed or natural). Lash around the basket, 2 times, to make 'X's around the rim, using 1/4" flat, dyed color #2.

Stain your basket and then add your embellishment. I purchased a 5x7 moveable decal (licensed) and used it on my base. You can purchase key chains or other items to hang off the front of the basket if you desire. Insert the liner and fill with your game day snacks! Enjoy the game and the snacks!

Thank you for weaving this!

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