

Bey-Her Baskets

“Perfect Match”

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Size: 3.5” Base Diameter, 4” Height

Weaving Level: Beginner

Materials:

¼” Flat Reed (stakes, weavers)

¼” Flat Oval dyed (weavers)

#2 Round Reed (base twine)

½” Flat Reed (inside rim)

BH Base 3” Diameter

Cut:

Cut 20 Stakes from ¼” Flat reed, 8” long.



Base:

When using the BH base, **glue the stakes into the base** (we recommend Titebond III Wood Glue). Divide the base into 4 sections like a clock. Place 1 stake at 12, 3, 6 and 9. Insert 4 stakes evenly spaced into each section for a total of 20 stakes. (Recount stakes to ensure a correct count.) **Do not wet the stakes at this point.**

Wet two pieces of #2 round reed. With the base flat on the table, and the smooth side of the stakes facing up, twine 2 rows around the base. Take 1 piece of #2 round reed and place it behind any stake leaving a 1” tail behind the stake. Place the other piece of #2 round reed behind the next stake to the right. Start twining by taking the weaver on the left, behind the stake to the right and out to the front of the base. Continue this procedure around the base. When you get to the end, tuck the ends on the inside of the base.

Using a spray bottle, gently wet the stakes. Avoid wetting the base.

Sides:

Weave 8 start and stop rows using ¼” Flat reed.

Weave 5 start and stop rows using ¼” or 3/16” Flat Oval dyed reed.

Pack your rows as you are weaving.

Matchstick Rim:

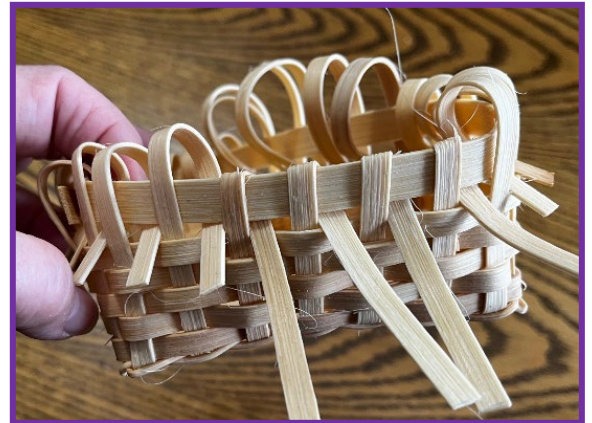
Thoroughly wet the extended stake ends.

Add a piece of damp 1/2" Flat reed around the inside perimeter of the basket above the last woven row, let it overlap 2 or 3 stakes; trim and clip to hold

Keeping the 1/2" Flat rim piece down close to the top of the basket, loosely wrap each stake end from the inside of the basket and around the rim piece to the outside of the basket.



Go back and gently tighten each wrap. Keep the stake ends wet and pliable.



Beginning at any stake, take the stake end, fold up at an angle and skipping over the next stake to the right, trim the stake end so a small amount extends beyond the next stake and insert behind that stake. Continue around the basket.

