

IWK SQUARE PICNIC BASKET
Square picnic basket made with 1 inch flat reed



Materials needed:

Just under 1 lb. 1" flat reed

~ 4 meters 1/4 " flat reed

one 10 x 14" D handle

Cut stakes as follows:

13 stakes x 29"

7 weavers

Mark centers of stakes on wrong side (mark lightly with pencil so that the mark can be erased before we clear coat the basket). With wrong (rough) side up weave 7 stakes through handle 1,3,5,7 over handle base for additional strength. Then weave three on each side parallel to handle base. Adjust size to 10" square. Spacing is approximately 3/4" between stakes on base.

Upset the stakes (crease them but don't crack them). Weave 7 rounds trying to keep corners square and weaving a very tight first row. The first row and the last row go over the outside of the handle.

Tuck down outside stakes and cut off inside stakes. Finish with 1" flat reed inside and outside lashed into place with 1/4 " flat reed, and if desired a strip of seagrass on the top.