

IWK TWO PIE BASKET

Two pie basket made with 1 inch flat reed

This basket should be 10" x 20" and 5" high



Note the photograph is of the first sample basket and is not exactly as pattern describes, we hope the pattern gives a stronger and more finished appearance.

Materials needed:

Just over 1 lb. 1" flat reed
~ 10 meters 1/4 " flat reed
one 10 x 14" D handle

Cut stakes as follows:

7 stakes x 36"
12 stakes x 26"
5 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 seven 36" stakes through handle 1, 3, 5, 7 over handle base. Then weave six 26" stakes on each side parallel to handle base. Adjust size to 10" x 20" rectangle. Spacing is approximately 3/4" between stakes on base.

Upset the stakes (crease them but don't crack them). Weave 5 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.

To help shape the basket tie a set of strings around the basket, end to end and side to side on each side of the handle.