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Basic Basket Making: All The Skills And Tools You Need To Get Started (How To Basics)



Synopsis

Step-by-step instructions complete with detailed color photographs Includes a chapter on dyeing reed at home 4 basic basket projects for the beginning weaver The art of basket making is described in detail for the beginning or experienced weaver. Complete with a chapter on tools and materials to get started, this easy-to-use guide explains and illustrates how to weave reed, incorporate premade handles, finish basket rims, and a host of other basket-making techniques. It also contains a chapter on dyeing reed, a simple and cost-effective way to obtain desired colors and results. Complete instructions for making a Flared Bun Basket, Small Market Basket, Napkin Basket, and Easter Basket teach necessary skills.

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Customer Reviews

This is by far one of the best introductory books I've seen and an essential addition to any basket weaving library. I wish I had found this book when I was first starting. If you're interested in basket weaving and you don't have an teacher nearby, this is absolutely the way to go.

This is a great introduction and instructional book for beginner/intermediate basketry. Full color pictures with instructions make it so easy to make a beautiful basket and feel accomplished when completed.

Good information and very easy to follow step by step projects. The only down side is that the information is VERY basic. If you have any experience with basket weaving you can probably skip this book.

Very good book for a beginner. Having the wired binding makes it so much easier when following instructions. Quality product.

As a beginning weaver I found this book invaluable referring to it frequently for details. I had taken a couple of basket weaving classes, but with the instructor nearby to help out, I didn't actually pay attention to details, being thrilled just to make the baskets. Weaving on my own I found I had many questions and this book has step by step pictures to help you out. Even if you have never made a basket, you would be able to do so just by using this book!

I had taken a few sporadic basket classes, but so far apart that I had forgotten some of the details in the meantime. This book is excellent at filling in the details missing from my memory bank! Designs for several baskets, and very easy to follow directions. With the basics in place, it's easy to head off and be more creative knowing that your basket is soundly constructed. Many of these baskets make a fun craft night with friends project.

This book is ideal for every beginner weaver. It gives tools needed and basic techniques with very clear pictures to show progress. Each pattern has step-by-step instructions and pictures which are a superb help. The 4 basic patterns are wonderful. Should be in every weavers library.

Billed as a beginners guide, but instead it would be better described as a collection of beginner level projects. The book is light on instruction and instead relies on the reader picking up skills as they complete a series of basket projects. While this is a valid approach, it teaches a very narrow set of skills mostly specific to making flat reed baskets. If you are looking for a guide to teach you most of the techniques of basket making...different weaving patterns, different shapes, different materials (including those you can collect from your own yard) and techniques like coiled grass or pine needles, and many others...I would recommend Earth Basketry (Earth Basketry) by Osma Tod. It's been in print since 1933 teaching the basics of basket making to generations of beginners.

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