

“Little Twill Ornament Basket” by Julie Kleinrath

Dimensions: 3 ½" Wide x 2 ¾" High (not including the handle) x 2" Deep

Materials:

1/4" flat, dyed
11/64" flat/oval, natural
#1 round reed
3/8" flat
Medium seagrass, dyed
Dyed Waxed linen
Small leather handle
Pottery Button (optional)



Cuts: 1/4" flat, dyed—7---11"

Base: Lay 2 of the 11" spokes horizontally in front of you. Weave one of the 11" spokes at the center, weave 2 more spokes on each side of the center spoke. Square your base 2 ½" x ¾". Twine 2 times with #1 round reed. Upset your spokes.

Weave the sides: Trim one end of the 11/64" flat/oval for about 4". Weave a twill pattern of Over 2, behind 1. Weave 13 rows, ending by trimming the last row as you did in the back. Weave one row of 11/64" flat/oval adding the leather handle to the back of the basket. (The back will be the side with the trimmed down weavers).

Rim: Rim the basket with 3/8" flat. Insert a piece of dyed seagrass between the two rims. Lash with the dyed waxed linen. Start the lashing on the back of the basket and end on the back tying a knot to the back. Trim the ends of the waxed linen and tuck the knot under the rim.

Cut a 5 or 6" piece of 22 gauge wire. Fold it in half and run one end under a row of weaving, and around a spoke on the front of the basket. Thread the button to the wire. Twist the wire to hold the button. Wrap the wire around a piece of #6 round reed. “Fluff it” slightly.

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