

## Organizer

Material: 10" x 14" D Handle  
5/8" FF  
3/8" FF Natural and Dyed  
1/4" FF  
1/2" FF  
#3 RR  
Seagrass



Spoke Cuts: From 5/8" FF cut 9 @ 34" and 14 @ 30". From 1/2" FF cut 8 @ 21". Soak the spokes along with a medium length of 1/4" FF in warm water for 1 - 2 minutes.

Mark the centers of the spokes on the wrong sides. Mark the center of the handle on the inside bottom.

Base Layout: Lay 5 of the 34" spokes horizontally on the table in front of you. Lay the handle vertically over the center of these spokes. (One spoke in the center of the handle and the other two on each end of the handle.) Lay the other four spokes @ 34" still horizontally between the first five spokes @ 34" but OVER the handle. Lay the 8 spokes @ 21" on each side of these last four 34" spokes going over the handle. Recap: There are five 34" spokes under the handle, four 34" spokes over the handle with a 21" spoke on each side also going over the handle.

Weave 7 of the 30" spokes vertically on each side of the handle -treating the spokes horizontally going over the handle as one. i.e. - weave under 1, OVER 3, under 1, OVER 3, under 1, etc.

Square the base to measure 10" x 15". Using the medium length of 1/4" FF weave a locking row around the base still treating the 3 horizontal spokes as 1. Upset the spokes.

Side Weaving: The first row of weaving MUST go OVER the handle. The best place to start weaving is on the left side of the basket on the outside of the second spoke from the end. This is a simple over/under weave with a four spoke overlap at the end of each row. When you come to the short sides of the basket, let the 1/2" spokes @ 21" lay flat on the table. They will be woven in after a couple of rows of side weaving are complete. Weave 3 rows of 3/8" FF natural. On the fourth row of weaving, bring the 1/2" spokes @ 21" toward each other and weave them between the fourth row of weaving and the second spoke and fourth spoke. Do not cut them. Repeat on both sides. Weave a fifth row of 3/8" FF. On the sixth row of 3/8" FF, trim the ends of the 20" spokes to lay under the sixth row of weaving and the same spokes. Weave a total of 8 rows of 3/8" FF. Pack all weaving.

Soak several short pieces of your choice in color of 3/8" FF. You will be weaving with ascending rows. Start a piece BEHIND the first spoke on the left hand side of a long side of the basket. Weave to the right until you are BEHIND the last spoke on the right of the same side of the basket. Cut the piece to end BEHIND the last spoke. Returning to the left side of the same side of the basket, start a second row of color, ending behind the second spoke on the right of the basket. Continue in this fashion for seven rows of ascending weave. Repeat on the opposite side of the basket.

Twine 3 rows of #3 RR.

Cut and Tuck: Pack all weaving. Cut the spokes on the inside of the last row of weaving flush with the top of the basket. Tuck the spokes on the outside of the last row of weaving to the inside of the basket under two rows of weaving.

Rim: The rim is made from two pieces of 5/8" FF that are 10" longer than the circumference of your basket. Soak them in warm water for 3 - 4 minutes along with two lengths of 1/4" FF.

Start a lasher on the right side of the handle. Begin the inside rim to the left of the handle. The inside rim will wrap around the handle from the right to the left of the handle. DO not wrap the opposite side of the handle at this time. The outside rim of the basket will begin to the left of the inside rim but on the short side of the basket. The outside rim will wrap around the handle from the right to the left. Again, DO not wrap the opposite side of the handle at this time. Lash the basket until you get to the opposite handle. End the lasher. Start a new lasher on the right side of this side of the handle. Wrap the inside rim around the handle, then wrap the outside rim around the handle. The ends of each of the rims should have a 3" overlap. Lash the second half of the basket ending at the handle.

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