

Shelf Basket



Base: 6" x 12 ½"
Sides: 4 ½"
Handle: 8" Market D

Materials:

- 5 pieces @ 25" – 3/4" flat reed (horizontal stakes)
- 8 pieces @ 18" – 3/4" flat reed (vertical stakes)
- 1 piece @ 40" – 1/4" flat reed (locking row)
- 14 pieces @ 42" – 1/4" flat reed (weavers)
- 1 piece @ 42" – 3/8" flat reed (last weavers)
- 2 pieces @ 40" – 5/8" flat oval reed (inside & outside rims)
- 1 piece @ 38" - #6 round reed (rim filler)
- 1 piece @ 8' – 1/4" flat reed (lasher)
- 6" x 8" hardwood market D handle

Soak the stake pieces for several minutes until pliable. Find the rough sides and centers. Lay the 5 - 25" pieces out horizontally in front of you. Lift horizontal stake #'s 2 and 4, and slide the market d handle underneath the two lifted stakes. Weave four vertical stakes to the right of center and four to the left of center. Square up the base to 5½" x 12". Weave the ¼" locking row around the base. Upsett the stakes.

Over and under weave 14 rows of ¼" flat reed and one row of 3/8" flat reed. Tuck all of the outside stakes into several rows of weaving inside the basket. Clip the inside stakes level with the top of the last row of 3/8" weaving.

Soak the rim pieces and lasher for several minutes. Fit the inside and outside rims overlapping the ends by about 3 inches. Sandwich the #6 round reed rim filler between the two rims clipping it on either sides of the handle. **Single-lash** everything down tightly, making an "X" around each side of the handle.

Sign and date your basket. *Good job!*

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