

WOVEN FABRIC BASKET

Finishes to approximately 4" x 4" x 2½"

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NOTE

Please read through all instructions before beginning.

WOF = Width of Fabric

REQUIRED

- ½ yard tan gingham fabric
- ⅝ yard Pellon 950F ShirTailor Fusible Interfacing
- Heat N Bond Ultra Hold (17" x 1 yd package)

RECOMMENDED

- Clover Wonder Clips
- Schmetz Super Nonstick Needles - Size 100/16
- curved tweezers
- Unique Stitch Fabric Glue

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**HOW TO MAKE A
WOVEN FABRIC BASKET**
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CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

From **fabric**, cut:

- (3) 4" x WOF for vertical strips
- (2) 3" x WOF for horizontal strips

From **fusible interfacing**, cut:

- (1) 17" x 20" rectangle
- (1) 17" x 2" rectangle

From **Heat N Bond**, cut:

- (1) 17" x 20" rectangle
- (1) 17" x 2" rectangle

PREPARE INTERFACING

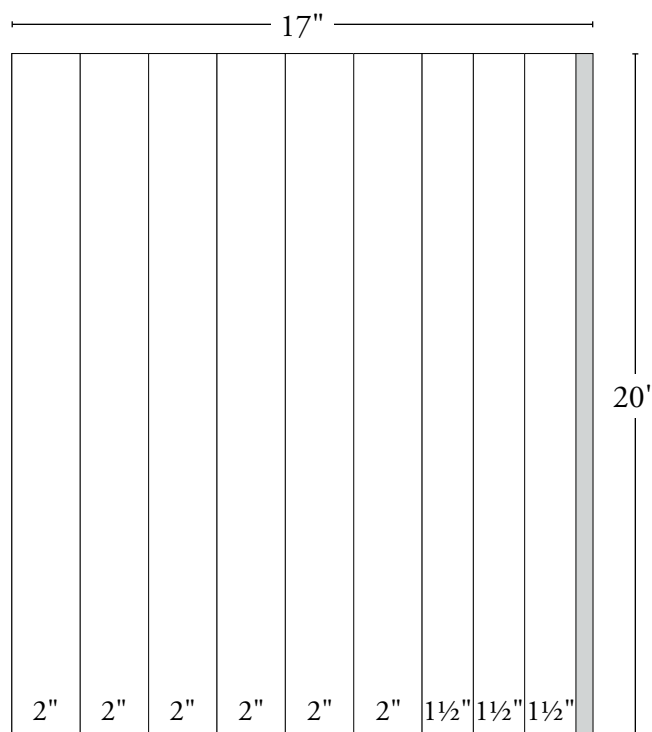
Fuse Heat N Bond to fusible interfacing of the same size.

Refer to diagram (*right*). From 17" x 20" fused rectangle,
cut (6) 2" x 20" strips and (3) 1½" x 20" strips.

Carefully peel paper backing from all fused interfacing
rectangles.

Gather the (7) 2" strips. (Six of the strips will be 20" long,
one will be 17" long.)

Set the (3) 1½" strips aside until a later step.



Cutting Diagram

MAKE FABRIC STRIPS



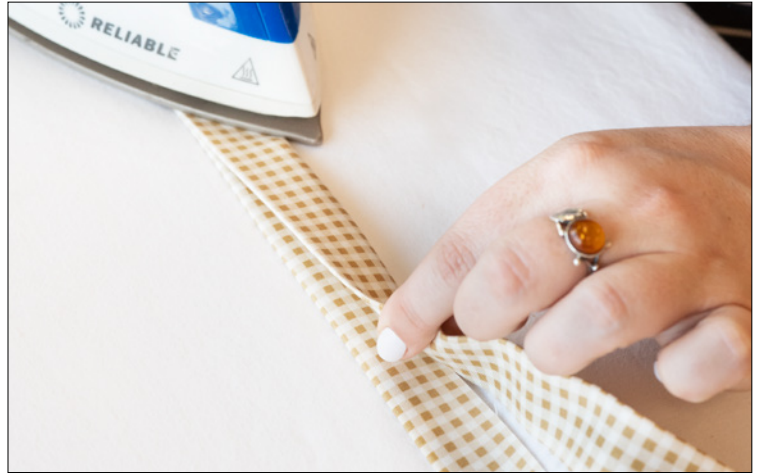
STEP 1: Center (1) 2" interfacing strip, fusible side down, on the wrong side of (1) 4" × WOF fabric strip.



STEP 2: Fuse in place. Add an additional 2" interfacing strip and a partial strip to fuse interfacing to the entire length of the fabric strip.



STEP 3: With iron, fold fabric over fused interfacing (raw edges will meet in the middle) and press down entire length of fabric strip.



STEP 4: Fold strip in half lengthwise to hide raw edges. Press well.

TIP: Strip will be too thick to pin; we recommend using Wonder Clips to keep strip folded in half.

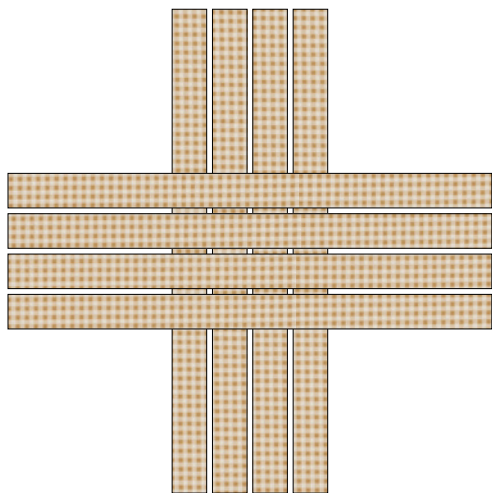


STEP 5: Topstitch $\frac{1}{8}$ " from edge along both long sides of entire length of strip.

STEP 6: Repeat Steps 1-5 with remaining 4" × WOF fabric strips to make a total of (3) 1" topstitched strips. From these, cut (8) 14" strips for the basket base.

STEP 7: Repeat Steps 1-5, using (2) 3" × WOF fabric strips and (3) 20" × $1\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to make (2) $\frac{3}{4}$ " × WOF topstitched strips for horizontal basket strips. These will be cut to a custom length at a later step.

ASSEMBLE BASKET



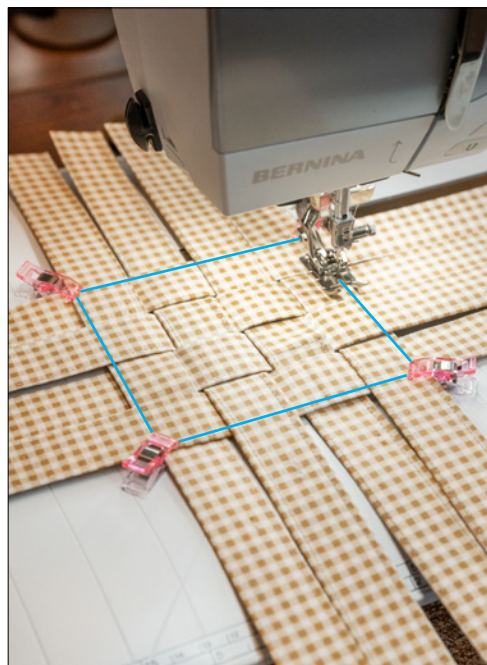
STEP 8: Arrange (4) 1" x 14" strips next to one another on your work surface. Arrange remaining 1" x 14" strips across their center, forming a + shape.



STEP 9: Weave strips in an alternating over-and-under pattern. Try to keep them tightly woven, but don't worry if there's a gap of $\frac{1}{8}$ " or less between the strips.



STEP 10: Use Wonder Clips to secure weaving for transferring to the sewing machine.

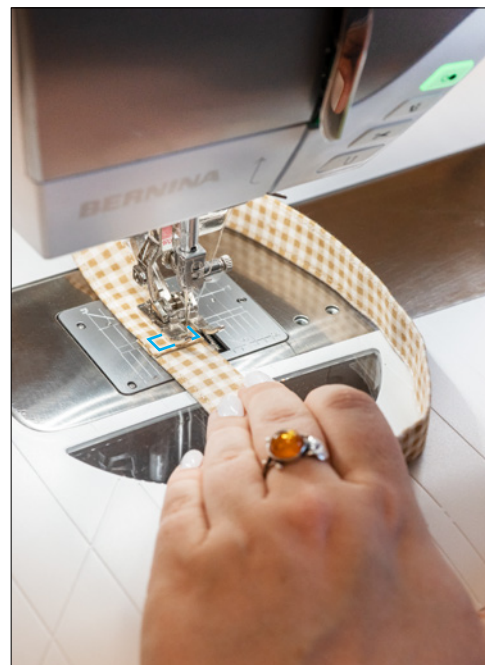


STEP 11: Stitch around the square at the center of the + shape.

STEP 12: Measure the length of the four sides of the square, and add these numbers plus $\frac{1}{2}$ ". *Our basket center measured 17". Perimeter measurement will vary depending on tightness of weave.*



STEP 13: From the $\frac{3}{4}$ " strips prepared in Step 7, cut (3) strips to the length calculated in Step 12. *We cut our strips to 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".*



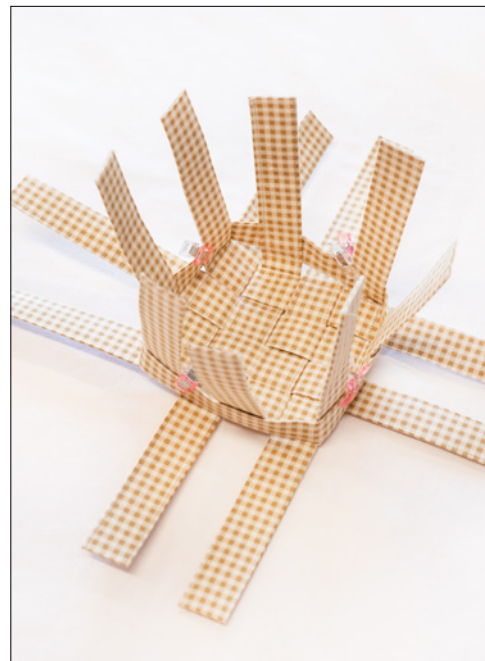
STEP 14: Overlap the raw edges by $\frac{1}{2}$ " and sew together with a box seam. Repeat to make a total of (3) horizontal strip rings.



STEP 15: Weave (1) horizontal strip ring through the ends of one side of the + shape.



STEP 16: Fold the edges of the + shape up 90 degrees and continue weaving the remainder of the first horizontal strip ring. *Be sure to position the box seam from Step 14 on the "inside" of the basket.*



STEP 17: Use Wonder Clips as necessary to stabilize the ring as you weave.



STEP 18: Weave the second horizontal strip ring through the vertical strips.



STEP 19: Weave the third horizontal strip ring through the vertical strips.



STEP 20: With the third horizontal strip ring clipped securely in place, trim the ends of each vertical strip to 1¾" from the top of the third ring.



STEP 21: Fold each vertical strip over the basket, alternating inside or outside the basket, and secure with Wonder Clips.



STEP 22: Beginning with the vertical strips that are on the outside of the basket, tuck the raw edge under the topmost horizontal ring.



STEP 23: Use curved tweezers to help secure these under the horizontal ring.

STEP 24: Once all the outside tails have been tucked, repeat the same process for the inside tails.

STEP 25: If desired, secure the tucked-under tails with Unique Stitch Fabric Glue.



Enjoy your woven basket!