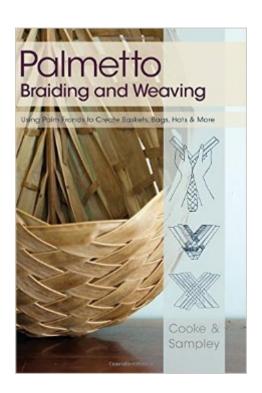
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Palmetto Braiding And Weaving: Using Palm Fronds To Create Baskets, Bags, Hats & More





Synopsis

Palmetto Braiding and Weaving is the definitive book for creating a variety of crafts from palm fronds, straw, rush, and grass. In this well-illustrated volume, artists and authors Viva Cooke and Julia Sampley explore thoroughly one of the most fascinating traditions of the southern United States: palmetto basketry. This tradition of crafts made from palm leaves has been passed on through generations. Palmetto Braiding and Weaving includes techniques and patterns for braiding and weaving-from simple to complex-for a variety of creations. In addition to baskets, Palmetto Braiding and Weaving explains how to make hats, handbags, trimmings, mats, fans, belts, and more. Palmetto Braiding and Weaving explores a wide array of uses of this native plant. Cooke and Sampley give full instructions for basketry,including samples of popular braids that have been developed and passed on by word-of-mouth, from generation to generation. Instructions are clear and accurate, and samples and finished pieces are shown with drawings and photographs of the authors' creations. The combination of drawings, photographs and thorough instructions make for the perfect how-to resource for palmetto basketry, and are adaptable to the use of other fibers including straw, rush, and grass.

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A concise and very clear instructional book. Although based on the palms of mainland USA, the techniques shown apply to most word wide palms, and any long leaved plants traditionally used in basketry. This book re-introduces almost forgotten craft skills, with excellent illustrations.

I am so excited about sharing this book with my family this Easter. It will be my first time hosting and since my cousins have grown up, an egg hunt won't be happening. I still wanted a fun group activity to do after supper and the idea of weaving came to mind. I picked up this book as well as How to Weave Hawaiian Coconut Palm Fronds to increase our chances of finding projects we like and can figure out how to do. I'll let you know if one book proves to be the best! So far, I really like the quality of the illustrations and photographs.

This is a great little book. Good examples. I just wish it was a little bigger for the price I paid, but I'm glad I got it.

I love weaving anyway, just added another one to my list. The best way go to be the best ever.

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