



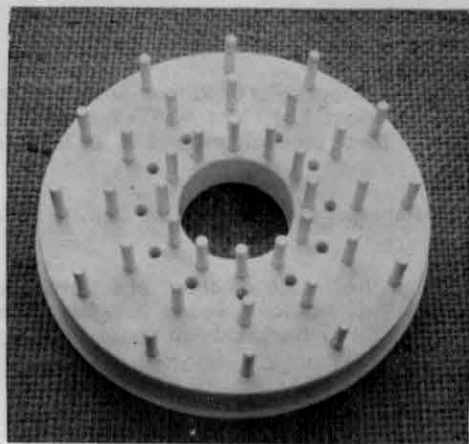
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Hazel's versatile loom is wonderful for use with bright Ribbon Straw, yarn, colored string or similar materials.

Gay flowers are fun to make for decorating handbags, wall plaques, etc. or fashion clever figures into party favors or gift trims.

Tote bag, shown at left, is "blooming" with Ribbon Straw flowers.

General Instructions

Hazel's loom was designed with adjustable pegs for adaptability to different sizes and shapes of Ribbon Straw projects. Each hole has a number; each row has 12 holes and there are 4 rows (A-B-C and D) on the loom. See photo.

Set pegs, where desired, by firmly pushing tapered end into hole. Pegs will not slip out if they are inserted so end is even with bottom of hole---see backside of loom. Pegs are easily removed by pulling loose or tight ones may be pushed out from backside with any pointed instrument.

This loom is ideal for use with Ribbon Straw, mod yarn, etc.

1-3/4", 2-1/4", 3", or 4-1/4" flowers may be made on this loom, in a variety of shapes. Experiment with different wrapping patterns.

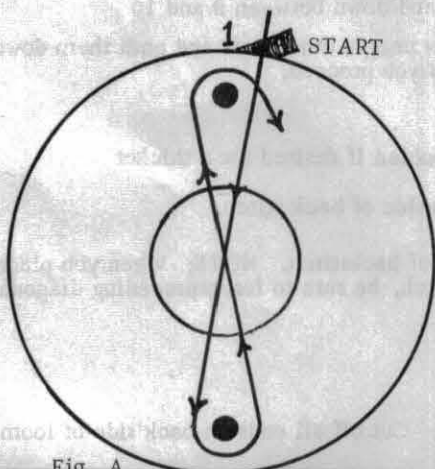


Fig. A.

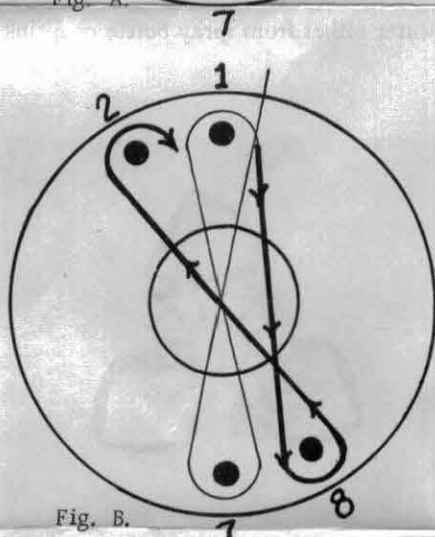


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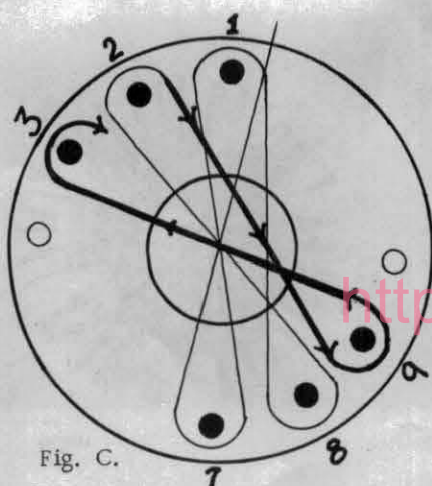


Fig. C.

Basic Instructions

FOR A 4-1/4" FULL-BLOOM FLOWER:

1. Place a set of pegs in each of 12 holes in row A, C and D.
2. OUTSIDE PETALS: (Need approximately 6-1/2 yds.) Use masking tape and tape end strand of Ribbon Straw to side of loom just right of 1D. Leave a 46" length for final sewing of flower center.
3. Hold loom in left hand with 1D at the top and Ribbon Straw in right hand.
4. Start at 1D and go to 7D, wrapping as shown in Fig. A.
5. See Fig. B and go from 8D to 2D. See Fig. C and go from 9D to 3D.
6. Continue in same manner, going counter-clockwise around loom until you have 3 loops on each peg. Leave petals on the loom, cut straw and tape end to side of loom.

(Continued on Reverse Side)

CAUTION: Ribbon Straw is Flammable

Bulletin Board is made of burlap-covered white foam which is edged with felt and braid. Flat-sided white foam pedestal is attached as base for spray of colorful Ribbon Straw flowers.

Wall Hanging is made of burlap with a felt flower pot full of bright assorted Ribbon Straw flowers, accented with green velvet leaves.



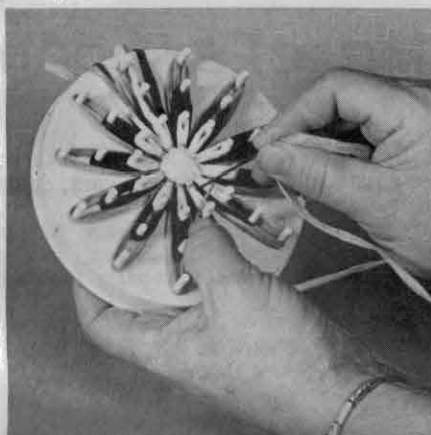


Fig. D.

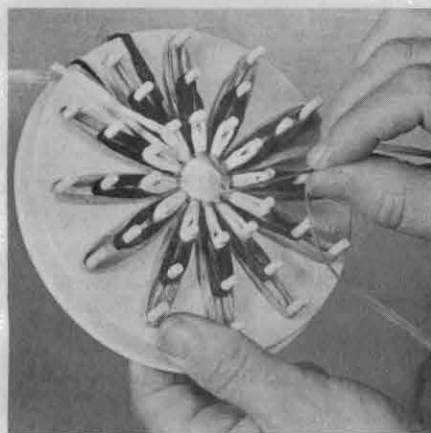


Fig. E.

7. **INNER PETALS:** (Need approximately 2-1/2 yds. of another color of Ribbon Straw). These 2 layers will be made on row C. Tape end of straw to side of loom just right of 1D but DO NOT leave a 46" length. Repeat procedure above - - making two loops on each peg. End at left side of 12, cut straw and tape to side of loom.

8. **CENTER PETALS:** (Need approximately 2 yds. of another color of Ribbon Straw). These 2 layers will be made on row A. Proceed as in Step 7.

9. **SECURING FLOWER CENTER:** Untape the 46" length from side of loom and thread onto needle. DO NOT wet ribbon straw when threading needle. Draw strand in space between 12 and 1. Backstitch by crossing over petals on peg 1 and pushing needle to back side of loom between 2 and 1. See Fig. D.

Up between 12 and 11
Over and down between 1 and 12

Up between 9 and 10
Over and down between 11 and 10

Up between 11 and 10
Over and down between 12 and 11

Up between 8 and 9
Over and down between 9 and 10

Continue around loom stopping between 2 and 3. Now untape other ends and push them down through center to backside and let them be "worked in" as you proceed.

10. **DIAGONAL CENTER STITCH:** - see Fig. E.

Come up between 1 and 2 - (Ribbon Straw may be doubled if desired for a thicker diagonal stitch).

Count over 3 petals going down through petal 11 on inside of back stitch.

Come up between 2 and 3

Count over 3 petals going down in petal 12 on inside of backstitch. NOTE: When you place needle down through petal on the inside of backstitch, be sure to force preceding diagonal stitch up to cover the previous backstitches.

Come up between 3 and 4

Count over 3 petals going down through petal 1.

Continue around loom finishing down through petal 9. Cut off all ends on back side of loom and remove flower.

For a fuller and softer looking flower, dampen it with water either from spray bottle or sprinkle flower lightly by hand.

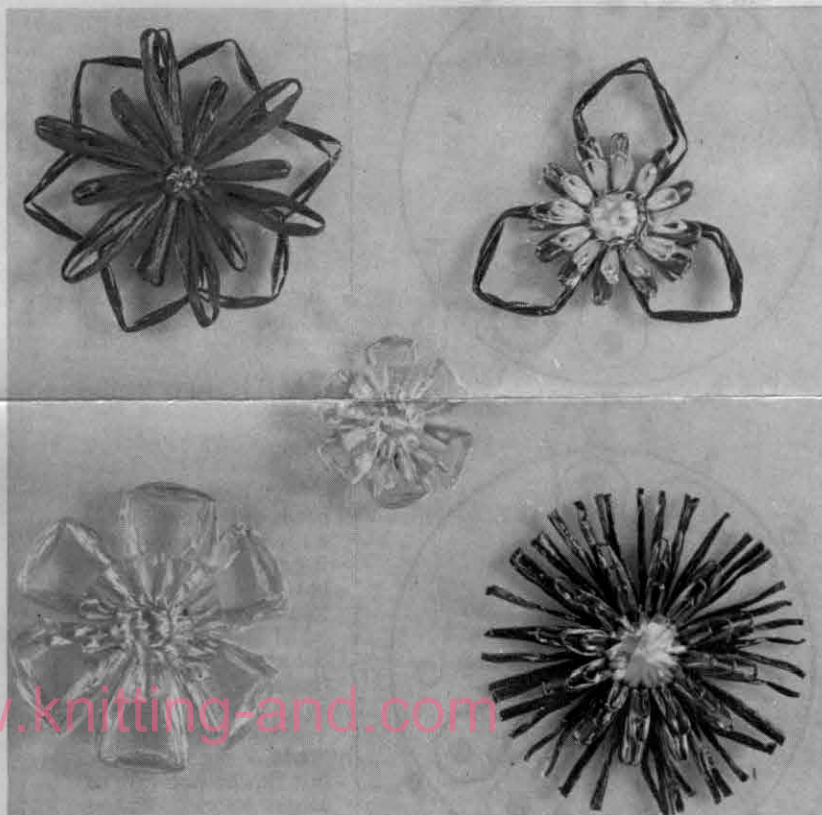


Ideas

Stunning burlap covered waste basket is trimmed with braid and features a felt vase overflowing with gay Ribbon Straw flowers.



To top it all - - cover a hat box and trim with colorful Ribbon Straw flowers to compliment or contrast with your decor.



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