

General Instructions

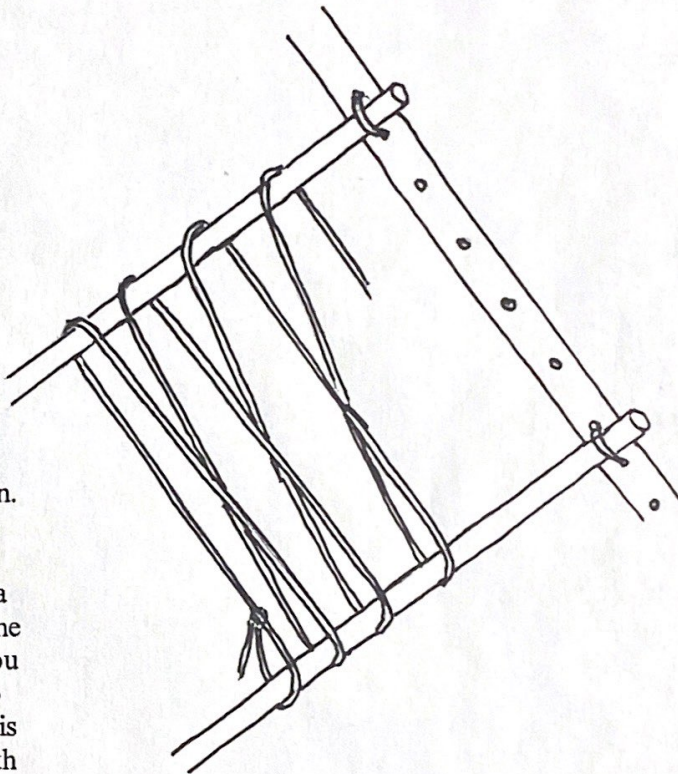
(for Student Loom)

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Warping: (for Navajo Style or Tapestry)

Secure dowels to front side of loom with U-bolts, (for Navajo Style only, position dowels 2" shorter than you want your finished piece to be because each dowel takes up 1").

Tie warp onto one dowel leaving a little space between the knot and the dowel (so you can get the dowel out later). Begin warping, take ball of warp over the tops of each dowel in a figure 8 motion. Maintain a tight and consistent tension. Position warps about $\frac{1}{4}$ " apart for Navajo Style or closer for Tapestry style. Tie warp thread to itself with a secure knot when finished, leaving a space between dowel and knot so you can get the dowel out later. For Tapestry style weaving, you are now ready to begin weaving, but for Navajo style you need to secure one dowel (after warp is bound to the dowels) to the bottom of loom with U-bolts and the top dowel with the velcro straps... pull velcro very tightly so warp will be very taut. Please refer to Navajo Weaving Way or any book that illustrates how to warp and weave on a Navajo Loom.



For Navajo style weaving: the book Navajo Weaving Way, by Noel Bennett/Tiana Bighorse is recommended for complete instructions.