

Do you 'dig' Archaeology? Day

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Stone Age Weaving

Summer
Staycation
Club!



The tradition of weaving traces back to Neolithic times - approximately 12,000 years ago. Even before the actual process of weaving was discovered, the basic principle of weaving was used by people, interlacing branches and twigs to make fences, shelters and baskets

You will need:

4 sticks, of same length,
Ribbon, old fabric scraps, or
strips of paper
Wool or string.



Join sticks to create a square by tying with wool.



Make a warp, by fastening wool to top stick in your frame and wrap your wool up and down, all the way across the frame.



Cut strips of your scrap fabric longer than the width of your frame.



Weave these in turn under and over the strings of the 'warp' across the frame leaving the ends loose.



Tie the ends of 2 rows together at each end. Cut off any surplus fabric to make neat.



A reconstruction of a neolithic loom