

A Star of David

ZOOM Class

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Designation for Project Use: A Star of David is based on a traditional design, so it is in the public domain. Instructor grants full use of project by NAWW members.

Instructor's Comments: While I know Christmas is a Christian celebration, the Jewish people celebrate Hanukkah during this time of year. In fact, the "festival of lights" will take place between December 4 – 12, 2026. **The Star of David** was first officially adopted in the 17th century by the Jewish community of Prague, currently in the Czech Republic. It later became the central symbol on the flag of Israel and used on Jewish artifacts and prayer books. The symbol is a compound of two equilateral triangles. Join me as we plait the interwoven triangles of **The Star of David**.

Skill Level: Beginner, Intermediate

Size of Project:

7" x 7" x ½" depth

Prerequisites: None.

Prework: None.

Techniques Taught in Class:

Four-straw Whip Plait

Clove Hitch and Surgeon's Knot

Suggested Wheat for Project:

Good plaiting straw

Straws Needed:

36 total matched straws without heads around 12"-14" long
(24 for plaiting, 6 for core and inner star, and 6 extra)

The straws need to be soaked in water till the stems are soft and pliable.

Supplies Needed:

18 gauge wire – 6 each 7 ½" long

Thread – button or topstitching weight

Pins and pin board

C-clamp or spring clamp to provide tension while plaiting

Additional Information about the Project:

Instructor will provide clamps for classroom use.

Kit: None.

