

Straw Window Ornament

ZOOM Class

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Designation for Project Use: The Straw Window Ornament is based on a traditional design that is part of the public domain. Instructor grants full use of the project by NAWW members.

Instructor's Comments: This Ukrainian Christmas tradition has almost been forgotten, but I'm excited to share it—along with some straw art and a bit of its history—with the NAWW community. The first steps can be a real challenge (you basically need a third hand!), but once you get the hang of it, the process becomes smooth and incredibly rewarding. It's not just about the final piece—it's about connecting with tradition, patience, and creativity along the way.

Skill Level: Open

Size of Project: 17" x 17"

Prerequisites:

- How to flatten straw
- Wrapping technique

Prework: Flatten straws

Techniques Taught in Class:

- Construction of the straw window ornament

Suggested Wheat for Project:

- Good weaving straw. Length affects the size of the project.

Straws Needed:

- 4 straws 17 inches long, 5 mm width (it will affect the whole size of the ornament)
- 2 straws 4 inches long, 8-10 mm width
- 8 flattened straws 8 inches long and 5 mm width
- 8 flattened straws 5 mm width
- 4 flattened straws 10 inches long 5 mm width
- 10 flattened straws 10 inches long 5 mm width

Supplies Needed:

- Hot glue
- Scissors
- Sprinkler/Spray bottle

Kit: None.

