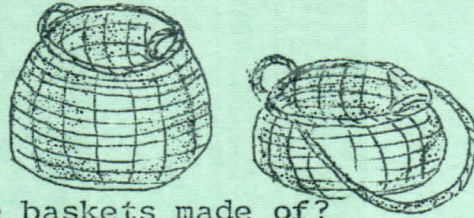


BASKET - HOW WERE THEY MADE?

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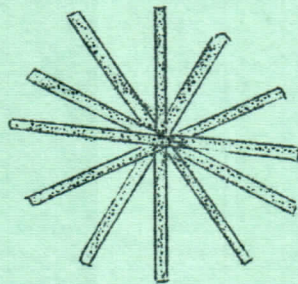


What were the baskets made of?

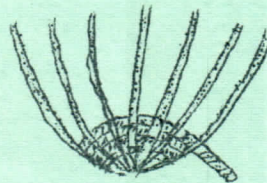
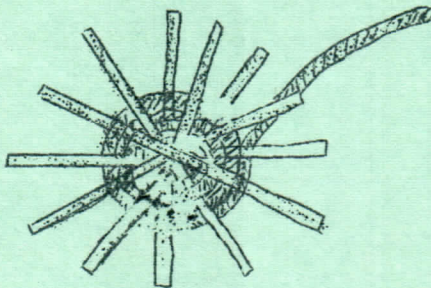
Baskets were sometimes made of straw braided together. The bigger baskets were woven with stronger rushes that would bend easily. Sometimes they were made from long branches of some trees. The basket was made while the branches were green. They bent easily. When the branches dried, the basket was very hard and strong.

How were the baskets made?

The worker laid out 10 or 12 branches. They crossed at the center and were an even distance apart.



The weaver begins to work at the center and weaves a strand around and around. He goes over and under the spokes.



After awhile he begins to pull his strand tighter. This gives the basket its shape.