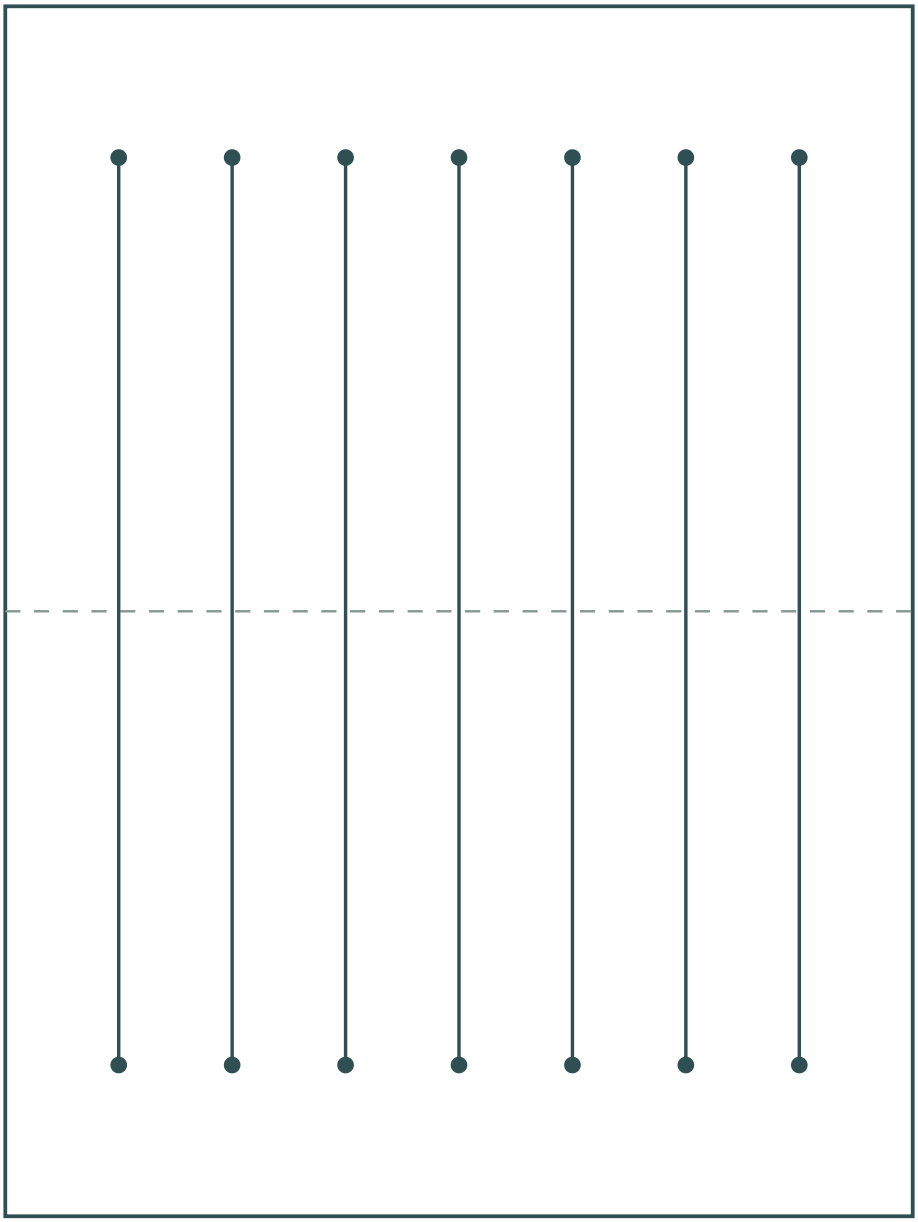
Paper weaving mat

120 × 160 mm · solid lines are cuts; the dashed line is a fold.



Cut out the outer rectangle. Fold with the printed side OUTSIDE.

Cut from the folded edge to the stop dots, then open the mat out.

Leave both 20 mm end bands uncut. Ask an adult to help with cutting.

This line should measure 50 mm at 100%.

Eight weaving strips

160 × 14 mm each · colour before cutting if wanted · cut solid outlines

Strip 1

Strip 2

Strip 3

Strip 4

Strip 5

Strip 6

Strip 7

Strip 8

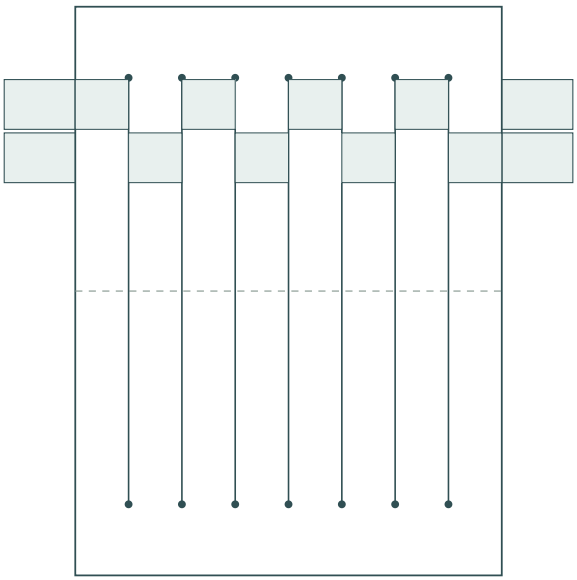
Alternate the starting move: over on one row, under on the next.

This line should measure 50 mm at 100%.

Over and under

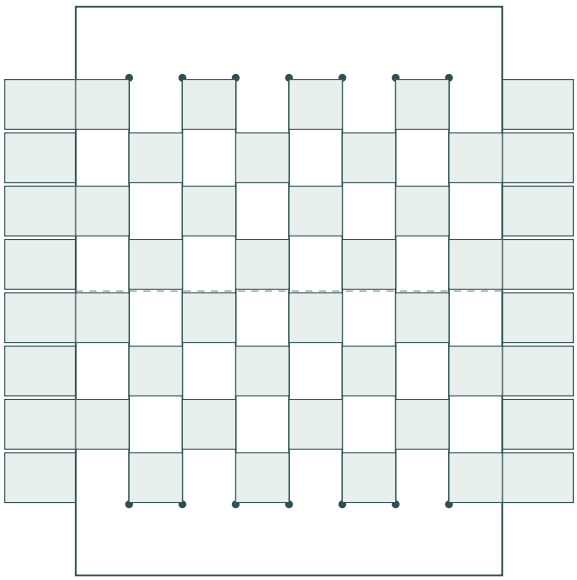
The diagrams are reduced. The strip ends are shown before fastening.

First two rows



Row 1 starts over; row 2 starts under.

All eight rows



Keep reversing the starting move.

Shading shows the strips where they pass over the mat.

1. Prepare the mat

Cut out the mat. Fold across the dashed line with the printed side OUTSIDE.

Cut from the folded edge to each stop dot. Open out; keep both end bands intact.

2. Cut eight strips

Colour the strips if wanted, then cut around all eight rectangles on page 2.

Each strip is 160 × 14 mm. The mat has eight 15 mm-wide vertical strands.

3. Weave the first row

Go OVER the first strand, UNDER the next, then keep alternating across the mat.

Slide the strip towards one uncut end band. Ease it through; do not pull hard.

4. Reverse the start on the next row

Start the next row UNDER, then OVER. Reverse the start on every new row.

After eight rows, fold the loose ends behind the mat and use a little glue to hold them.

This line should measure 50 mm at 100%.