

# PUTTING YOUR NANTUCKET PURSE TOGETHER

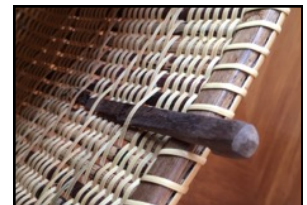
*First Step: Take a deep breath....you can do this.*

*While it looks like a lot of steps, finishing your nantucket Purse is really quite simple.*

*Read and understand the instructions thoroughly before you begin. Give us a call if you have any questions (Joni - 336-337-8589, David - 336-706-8481).*

1. Gather the Tools Required: Polyurethane or Tung Oil Finish, a 1" paint brush & paper towels (step 5), Ball Peen Hammer (8), Small Standard Screw Driver (8), Phillips Head Screw Driver (7), Block of wood to support basket (9), Small piece of wood to protect feet (9), Thick CA Glue (Cyanoacrylate/Super Glue) (9/10/12), stick of wood about 9" long (11).
2. Gather & Inspect all of the parts:
  - Basket - rimmed and lashed.
  - Wooden latch.
  - Ivory or Bone Feet (if ordered). Base will be pre-drilled with 3 or 4 holes if ordered.
  - Logo Button (if ordered). Base will be pre-drilled with a 3/4" hole if ordered.
  - Quarter board (if ordered).
  - Strap with two (2) bolts and two each (2) Ivory/Bone Washers & Knobs.
  - Two (2) small brass screws to attach leather hinges to lid.
  - Note - Feet, Logo Buttons & Quarter boards may not be completed at this time.
  - Please give us a call if you anything is missing.
3. Sand all of the parts to your satisfaction: Erase any pencil marks (including your name), remove any tape, and clip off any stray strands of cane. Then, using a fine grit sandpaper (400 or >) to finish sanding before applying poly. Use a coarse sandpaper if there are any gouges, then process to 220 and then 400 grit.

4. Remove the Wooden Latch from the basket: Note that the latch is inserted behind several of the weavers on the central stave. The weavers should retain a gap so that you can reinsert the Latch after it is finished. Apply at least two (2) coats of polyurethane to the latch.



5. Reinsert the Wooden Latch into the basket behind the central stave: Judge the depth that the Wooden Latch is inserted but placing the lid over the Latch, and insuring that the head of the latch extends just above the lid, and can snap forward to hold



the lid down.

6. Finish (apply polyurethane or Tung Oil) the Basket and Wooden Latch: Using the guidelines in the document, "How we finish nantucket Baskets". Insure that polyurethane or tung oil is applied around the base of the Wooden Latch. This will serve to "glue" the latch to the basket.
  - Note - Please be careful not to get polyurethane in the Logo Button hole. The Logo Button may not fit if Poly or Tung Oil builds-up in the hole. Also, if predrilled for Ivory/Bone Feet - You can insert a sharp wooden toothpick into the predrilled holes to keep them from filling with finish. Pull out toothpicks before the finish dries.

7. When the basket is finished and completely dry: Proceed to attaching the other parts.

8. Attach the lid: Push/pull the two leather hinges into the top holes on the lid. Pull them through until the predrilled hole on the leather hinge aligns with the predrilled hole in the bottom of the lid. Drive one of the small brass screws through each leather hinge and securely into the lid. Hold the hinge straight so that it does not twist.



9. Attach the strap: Insert a brass bolt through an Ivory/Bone Knob, one end of the Strap, an Ivory/Bone Washer, the hole predrilled in the Basket Rim, the small brass washer, and screw on the small brass nut. Snug the nut fairly tight, then clip off the end of the bolt about 1/16"-1/8" above the nut. Peen the cut-end of the bolt with a ball peen hammer to round over and smooch the threads. Repeat with the other end of the strap.
  - Note - Make sure that the "right" side of the Leather Strap is facing out on both sides.

10. Attach the Ivory/Bone Feet (if ordered): Dry-fit a Foot to see how it fits, then proceed - Turn the basket upside-down and support the inside of the base on a block of wood. Place a very small drop of CA Glue on the tip of the Pin in the foot. Press the Foot into the predrilled hole and tap it into place with a small hammer. Use a hard piece of wood between the hammer and the Foot to keep from marring the Ivory/Bone.



11. Insert the Logo Button: Dry-fit the logo button in the predrilled hole. Ideally, the Logo Button will sit flush with the top of the hole. However, since the holes were predrilled before the Logo Buttons arrived, we drilled to a standard depth. If the hole is too deep, tamp a small amount of sawdust in the bottom of the hole to raise it until flush. Remove the Logo Button and drop 2-3 drops of CA Glue into the hole and press the Logo Button into the hole.

1. Note - Line up the Logo Button with the Grain of the wood. i.e. the Logo Button should be “up” towards the front of the basket, with the ‘horizon’ running side to side.
2. Note - Be careful not to get glue on the Logo Button, as it may discolor the Ivory/Bone.
12. Insert the Ivory/Wood Half Plug in the hole in the base: Set the basket upright. Place the plug over the hole in the base and “start” it by hand. i.e. push it into the hole. Hold a piece of wood on the plug and tamp it into place with the hammer.
13. Attach the Quarter Board: Test the alignment of the Quarter Board on the lid to your satisfaction. Place 1-2 SMALL drops of CA Glue on the underside of the Quarter Board and press it onto the lid. Hold it pressed to the lid for 1-2 minutes. When you release it, leave the basket alone for ten minutes.
14. VIOLA! You have a complete basket!! We look forward to you showing it off at the next convention!!!



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