

## YOU WILL NEED

Pages from magazines—  
I like to use retail catalogs

Ruler

Pencil

Craft knife

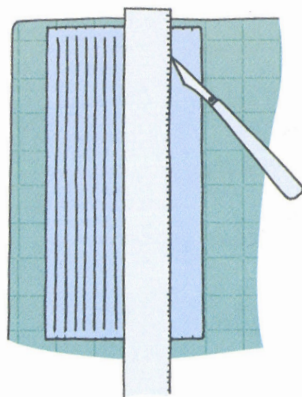
Cutting mat

# paper weavings

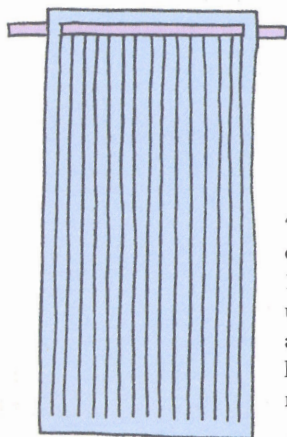
The craft of weaving has had a big revival in the last few years. Most weaving is done with yarn or textiles, but you can get beautiful pieces by weaving with strips of paper. I have made several patterns to follow so that, by using strips of contrasting colors, you can create amazing geometric patterns. These little mini works of art would look lovely framed and grouped together—or make small ones for cards and gift tags.

**1** To make the smallest weaving (the top right weaving in the photo on the opposite page), cut a rectangle of magazine paper measuring  $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{8}$  in (16 x 8cm).

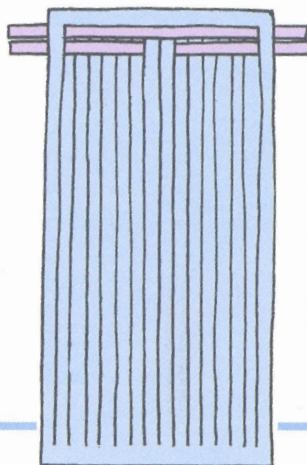
**2** Using a craft knife and a ruler, cut slits every  $\frac{1}{8}$  in (5mm), starting  $\frac{1}{8}$  in (5mm) down from the top and finishing  $\frac{1}{8}$  in (5mm) up from the bottom. Protect your work surface with a cutting mat as you do this.



**3** Cut 24 strips of paper in different colors, each measuring  $4\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{8}$  in (12cm x 5mm).

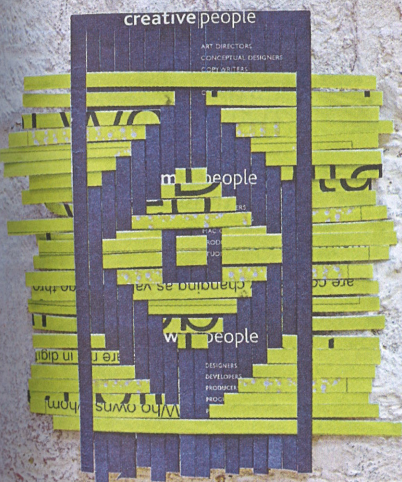
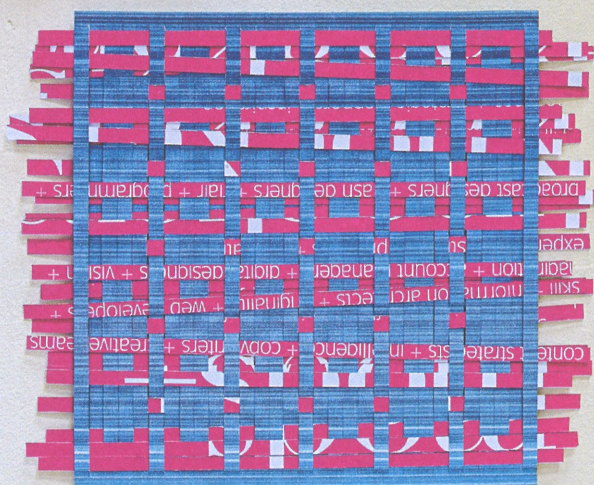
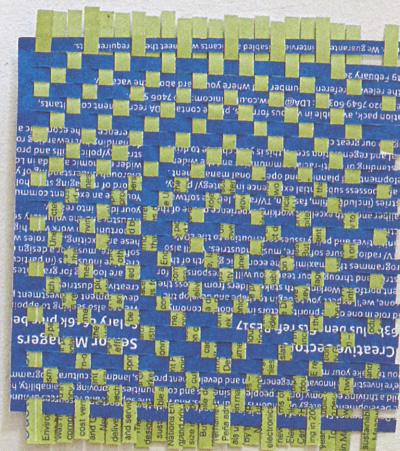


**4** Follow the pattern on the template on page 184. The first strip comes up through the first slit and down through the last slit, so that the color runs in one long strip.

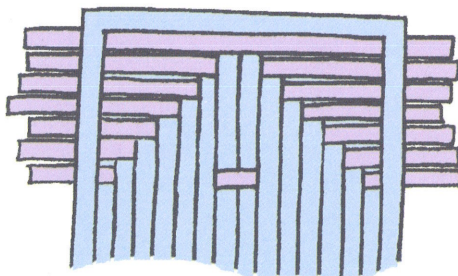


**5** The second strip comes up through the first slit, across the top of the next six strips, down under the two middle strips, up over the next six strips, and then down under the last strip.





6 Continue in this way, following the pattern and making sure that the woven strips butt up against each other nicely.



7 Work the other woven pieces in the same way.



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