

Checklist for Setting Up Your Inkle Loom for Tablet Weaving

****Preparation****

- Choose or create your tablet weaving pattern. Ensure you understand how to read the draft.
- Select and prepare your tablets/cards (label or color-code if needed). Ensure you have enough cards for the design you wish to weave.
- Choose your warp threads (consider fiber, thickness, and color).
- Gather your tools: your inkle loom, scissors, a belt shuttle.

****Warping the Loom****

- Secure your Inkle Loom to a stable surface or just place it on a flat surface.
- Count out your cards ready to use and decide which threading method you will use (my online course shows 2 different methods).
- Tie the starting thread to the loom's anchor peg.
- Thread each card with the corresponding warp threads using your chosen method (pay attention to the threading direction).
- Follow your pattern to correctly thread the holes in the cards.

****Tensioning the Warp****

- Ensure the warp threads are evenly tensioned.
- Adjust the tension bar or pegs until the threads are the desired firmness.

****Starting to Weave****

- Check that the cards rotate smoothly.
- Weave a few rows of waste yarn to even out the warp or place cardboard separators.
- Verify the pattern alignment and adjust cards if necessary.

****Weaving Tips****

- Turn the cards as directed in your pattern.
- Beat the weft evenly with your shuttle.
- Adjust tension regularly to maintain consistency.