Making Double Heddles for Your Inkle Loom

What the loom parts are called in my classes

Front Peg/Tension Peg

Top Peg (Only hedded threads go over)

Heddle peg (sometimes this is the tension peg and the heddle peg is above it)

Back Peg (All threads go over)

Typical inkle loom configuration. Not all looms look exactly like this, but they all function similarly.

Determine how many heddles are needed based on your pattern. You will need one heddle for every two warp ends. If you have an odd number of warp threads, you will need one additional heddle.

On the Schacht inkle and similar looms, make a heddle by tying a loop around the top peg (1), the heddle peg (2) and the peg below the top peg (3). Check the length after making one following the guidelines by the diagram above.

On a dissimilar loom, determine the length by measuring the distance from the heddle peg to the point where the unhedled warp yarn crosses the imaginary line between the top peg and the heddle. Quadruple the measurement allowing length to go around the heddle peg and find pegs on the loom that fit the entire loop measurement. Check the length after making one following the guidelines by the diagram above.

When tying each heddle, secure by making a "surgeon's knot and a half" as tightly as you can. Trim tails to prevent their interfering with the weaving. Use white or fabric glue on the knots to prevent fraying.

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