Chris Elliott - Buzzard Chris Bushcraft

"I am Chris Elliott also known as Buzzard Chris Bushcraft. Although I have been involved in the arts as a Community artist, sculptor and a film animator for many years, I qualified to teach and lead as a Bushcraft and woodland skills instructor in 2012.

My passion for nature and outdoor activity has never exhausted since my childhood. My need to explore is deeply rooted and the joy I get from observing the patterns and forms in nature is boundless and also something that I am drawn to share with others."

DO: Create your Loom or Obelisk.

You can make a simple square framed loom by tying four sticks together or use cardboard or an old picture frame.

You could also make an obelisk by pushing six willow sticks in the ground in a plate sized circle and tying the tops together.

Stretch jute string vertically between the sticks to form your warp.

You can collect materials for your weft at any time of the year. Commonly found materials such as bramble, willow withies, ivy, moss, feathers or seaweed.

THINK: What are you weaving into your life?

When you are weaving, allow yourself to look closely at the patterns and colours and discover the textures.

You might want to assign meaning to each item such as bark for resilience, moss for softness or feathers for lightness.

Do you want to give your weave a title?

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