

# HAPPY JUST CRAFTING

## Herringbone Leaf Key Hanger — Quick Reference

A Javoews House pattern • Intermediate • 6–9 hrs / 2–3 sessions



Inspiration



Finished pattern

### Materials at a Glance

- 3 mm single-twist cotton, teal — 65 m total
- 6 mm hardwood rod × 20 cm (hidden mount)
- Frame 8.5 × 12.5 in, rebated, deep bottom rail
- 4 brass cup hooks • 3 mm backing board
- Staples, fabric glue, comb, pins, drill (2 mm)

### Build Order

| # | Step                         | Time    |
|---|------------------------------|---------|
| 1 | Frame prep & hook marks      | 20 m    |
| 2 | Mount 18 cords + VLH band    | 45 m    |
| 3 | Top HDHH lock row            | 15 m    |
| 4 | Leaf rows 1–2                | 1.5–2 h |
| 5 | Leaf rows 3–5                | 2–3 h   |
| 6 | Base lock row, trim & secure | 45 m    |
| 7 | Frame install + backing      | 45 m    |
| 8 | Hooks, brush & steam         | 30 m    |

### Knot Abbreviations

|      |                              |
|------|------------------------------|
| LH   | Lark's Head                  |
| HDHH | Horizontal Double Half Hitch |
| DDHH | Diagonal Double Half Hitch   |
| VLH  | Vertical Lark's Head         |
| OK   | Overhand Knot                |

### Cord Cutting Quick-Ref

| Label | Purpose          | Qty | Cut    |
|-------|------------------|-----|--------|
| A     | Working (folded) | 18  | 3.2 m  |
| B     | Top holding      | 1   | 1.5 m  |
| C     | Base holding     | 1   | 1.5 m  |
| D     | Spare            | 1   | 3.2 m  |
| TOT   |                  | 21  | 63.8 m |

Cut 3–4 in longer than listed.

### Time Planning

- Session 1: prep, mounting, rows 1–2 (~3 h)
- Session 2: rows 3–5, base lock (~3 h)
- Session 3: framing, hooks, finish (~1.5 h)

### Top 5 Mistakes to Avoid

- Loose ribs — push every hitch to the leaf tip before the next.
- Over-tight spines — they narrow the panel; taut, not strangled.
- Skipping the ruler check on lock rows — drift compounds fast.
- Drilling hooks with the panel already in — snags cords. Mark early, drill last, pilot always.
- Stapling edge-first — center staple first, then alternate outward, or tension goes lopsided.