

Sea Turtle Driftwood Wall Hanging - Quick Reference

Advanced | approx. 20" x 32" | 16-20 hours / 5-6 evening sessions | A Javoews House pattern



Inspiration



Finished pattern

Materials at a glance

3 mm cotton string: natural 295 yd, sage 88 yd, camel 72 yd, sand 40 yd

Driftwood: 24" hanger + two 18-20" accent branches

5 sea-glass beads - 10 wooden 6 mm eyes - 3 drilled shells

Shears, tapestry needle, comb, pins + board, fabric glue

Build order

#	Step	Time
1	Mount cords on branch (LHK + lock row)	0.5 h
2	Central diamond panel (DDHH + ASK)	2 h
3	Side panels (SK + HDHH bars)	1.5 h
4	Five turtles off-loom (batch)	10-12 h
5	Bottom diamond net + shell	0.75 h
6	Weave + lock accent branches	1 h
7	Sea-glass strand (5 beads, OK stops)	0.25 h
8	Tassels (WK) + comb fringe	1.5 h
9	Stitch turtles on - block - trim	1 h

Knot abbreviations

LHK - Lark's Head: fold, loop over bar, ends through

SK - Square Knot: L over, R over, mirror; flat face

ASK - Alternating SK: offset rows, drop 2 cords

HDHH - Horizontal DHH: 2 hitches per cord over holder

DDHH - Diagonal DHH: holder angled 30-45 deg, keep taut

WK - Wrapping Knot: wrap down, tail thru loop, pull up

OK - Overhand: stopper for beads + tassel ends

Cord cutting quick-ref

Label	Use	Qty	Cut
A1,A2	Central panel	8	13 ft
B1	Sand side panel	4	10 ft
B2	Camel side panel	4	10 ft
H	Sea-glass strand	1	7 ft
T-core	Shell cores	5	6 ft
T-work	Shell workers	5	30 ft
F	Flippers	120	20 in
HD	Heads + wraps	10	3 ft
TS	Tassels (6 x 12)	72	26 in
W	Wrap cords	8	3 ft
HG	Hanging cord	1	5 ft

Cut everything 3-4 in longer than listed. Total approx. 786 ft / 240 m.

Top 5 mistakes to avoid

1. Flat-shell increases skipped - shells dome. Add a 2-in-1 hitch every 5th stitch from round 4.
2. Attaching turtles before blocking - panel shifts and turtles pucker. Block first, stitch last.
3. Loose branch lock rows - wood slides. Snug the HDHH row hard against the underside.
4. Cutting turtle workers short - a shell eats 30 ft. Never trim T-work cords to tidy the workspace.
5. Trimming fringe dry and uncombed - stringy V. Comb damp, then cut against a ruler.