

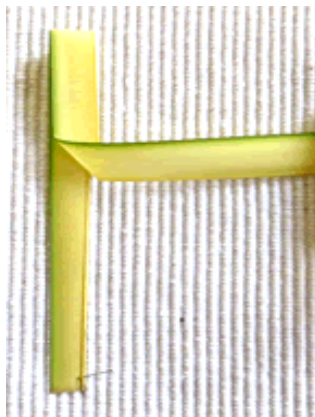
MAKE PALM CROSSES

Everyone always wants to know how to make palm crosses. Here is a simple way—a little tricky, perhaps, but once you've mastered it, it will be easy to do. Enjoy!

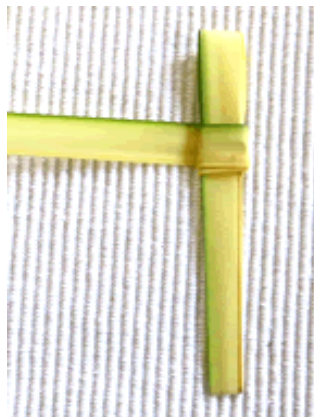
Most palm fronds are actually double; split the frond into two long separate strips. Remove any stringy bits.



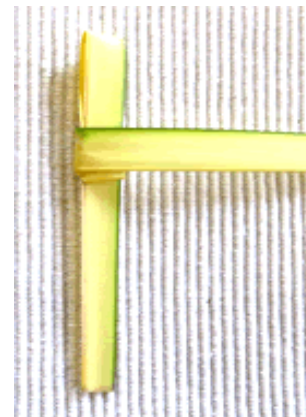
1. Hold palm pointing up; about 5-6 inches from the bottom, fold top over keeping the long part toward you.



2. About 1½-inches from the top, fold long end on the diagonal to the right, making a right angle.



3. Wrap the long end around the upright 2½ times; this is important!



4. Flip it over.



5. Make an arm about 1½–2-inches, folding the long end toward you.



6. Make second arm, folding on the left.



7. Make a diagonal fold so the long end points up.



8. Slip the point of the long end behind the center loops.



9. Loop the long end a 2nd time behind the center loops; pull taut to secure the cross. The top piece may be adjusted by pulling on the base.



Finished cross!