A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO TAPESTRY WEAVING

1. Make a wooden loom.

2. Make parallel centimetre marks at the top and bottom of the loom. Warp up using a specialist warp thread. Start by knotting the thread onto the bottom of the loom. Take it up the front, over the top at the first centimetre mark, down the back, then under the bottom at the second centimetre mark. This creates a continuous warp. It is important to keep an even tension throughout. Finish by knotting the warp onto the frame again.
3. Bring the warps together using warp thread.

4. Make a row of double knots (a kind of half hitch) using weft thread. Wool is good.

5. Simple under-over weaving.

6. A slit is formed where two colours meet. It can be sewn up later.
7. Blend colours with *hachures*.

8. Tapestry weaving needs a solid foundation. Never attempt to weave part of the way up the design leaving empty warps underneath.

9. Finish the tapestry with another row of knots, then cut it off the loom.