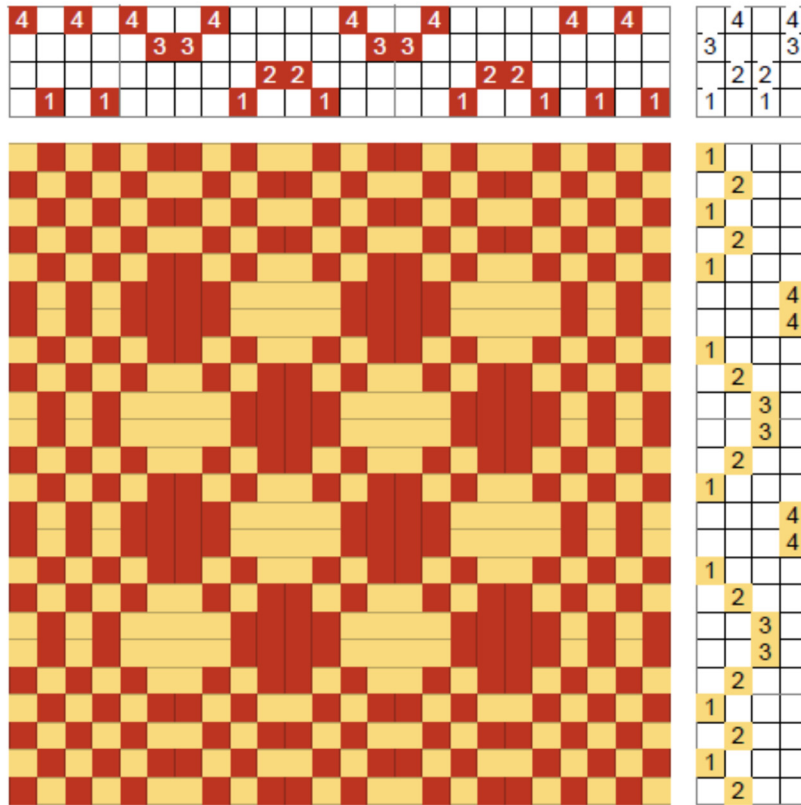


Canvas Weave I

Canvas weave is a block weave with two blocks on four shafts; when one block weaves warp



floats, the other weaves weft floats (see drawdown on the left). In her book on *Handwoven Laces*, Donna Muller places canvas weave between a basket weave (see entry) and huck lace (see entry). See *Basket, canvas and huck lace comparison* for more details.

By increasing the number of contiguous threads on shafts 2 and 3, the floats can be lengthened. Plain weave is not possible either

length or widthwise with this threading, but see Canvas Weave II for that option. A threading of 1, 4, often used as a selvage, produces a combination of plain weave and basket weave down the length of the fabric; similarly, treadling 1 & 3 vs. 2 & 4 produced a combination of plain weave and basket weave.

The canvas weave fabric on the right was threaded with one block of one color, the other of a different color.

