

Let's do a quickie on

'How to Thatch'



It all begins with a whole bamboo / split bamboo frame



This frame could be tied or woven together



On which we keep the grass layer
along one edge, pointing in



*And then the mirrored reality
from the other side!*



We tie it all down with bamboo splits and rope



**It's easier with notched bamboos*



On the ends and in 'tween..



Till it looks
something like
this from above,

(this is the
thatch
bedding)

And like this
from the
bottom



(An 'under-
study' of the
bedding)



on this bedding we start laying the thatch in layers, each overlapping the previous



We must also tie down each layer to the frame beneath to keep it in place



Once all the layers are tied down, we can add a few extra splits for extra strength



And then hoist
it all up to
where it
belongs

Aha! A roof!

a beautiful
shaggy hat



Which is
cheap, strong,
durable,
insulating,



And of course, waterproof!