

## Two Piece River Cane Darts

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Are you tired of transporting those 7 foot darts from contest to contest, maybe poking holes in your upholstery, hanging them out the window, bending them to get them in the car, or having to tie that PVC pipe case on the outside of your vehicle? Well I have the answer. Cut and splice them in 2 pieces as I have.

I have done just that, thrown them for months with no negative effects. Here is what you do:

Cut the dart (we're talking river cane) in half as best to insert a hard wood dowel about 2 to 3 inches in each half. Lightly bevel your cut edge, wrap both ends with sinew twice on the receiving half and only once is necessary on the fixed insert half. After wrapping, drill out the cane to receive insert. Glue the fixed insert in. Make a good snug fit for the receiving half. To add insurance, apply bee's wax to insert joint. You may have to make corrections on the dart alignment with a little heat. Make it straight and then mark it with index marks so it goes together in the same alignment each time and waterproof your sinew and you are ready to go with 3 foot 6 inch sections in a quiver.

If you don't want to go to all the bother, I have some darts on hand all ready to go with copper points and barred turkey fletches.

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