



60 Macrame Knots & Knot Patterns



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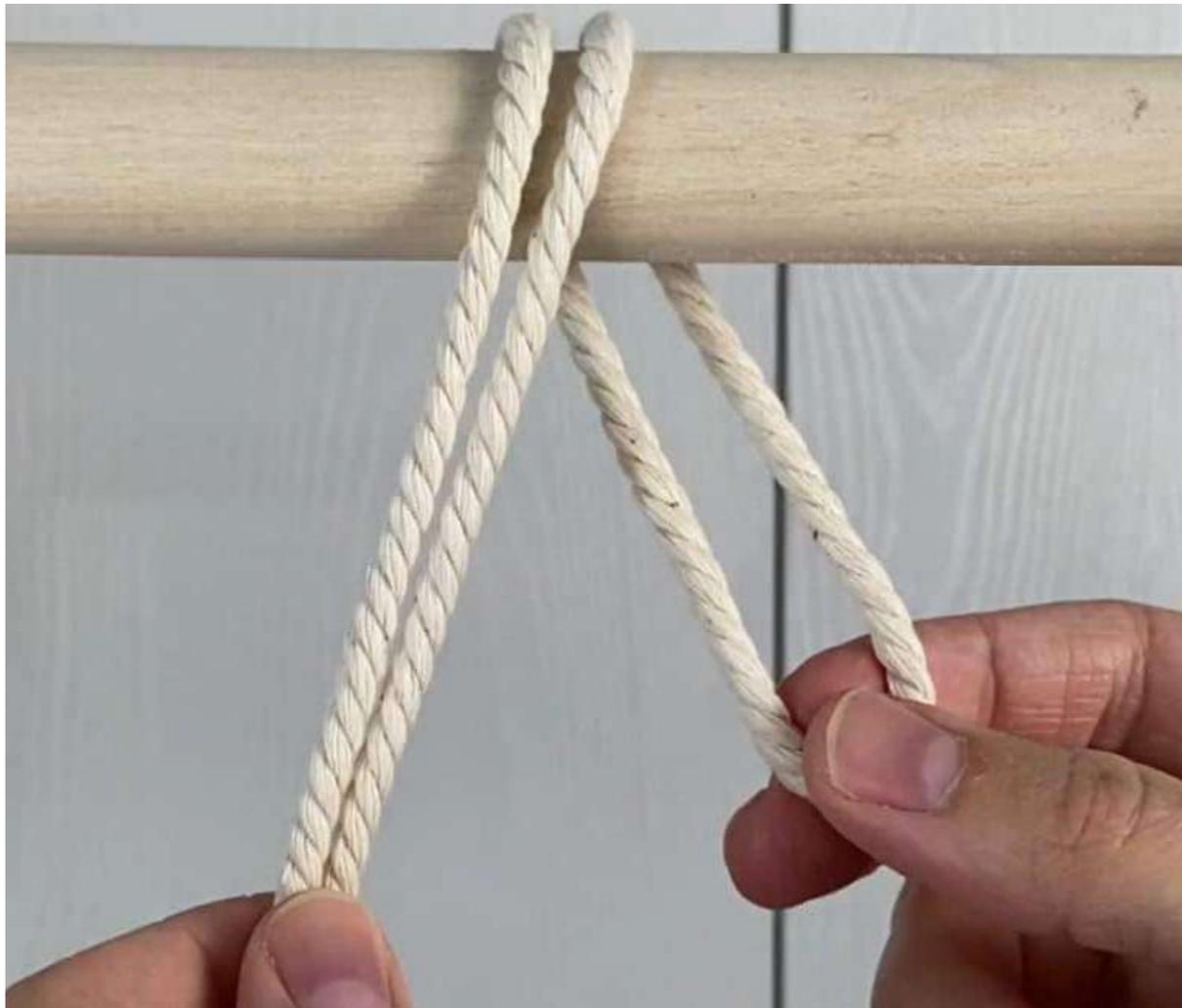
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Section 01

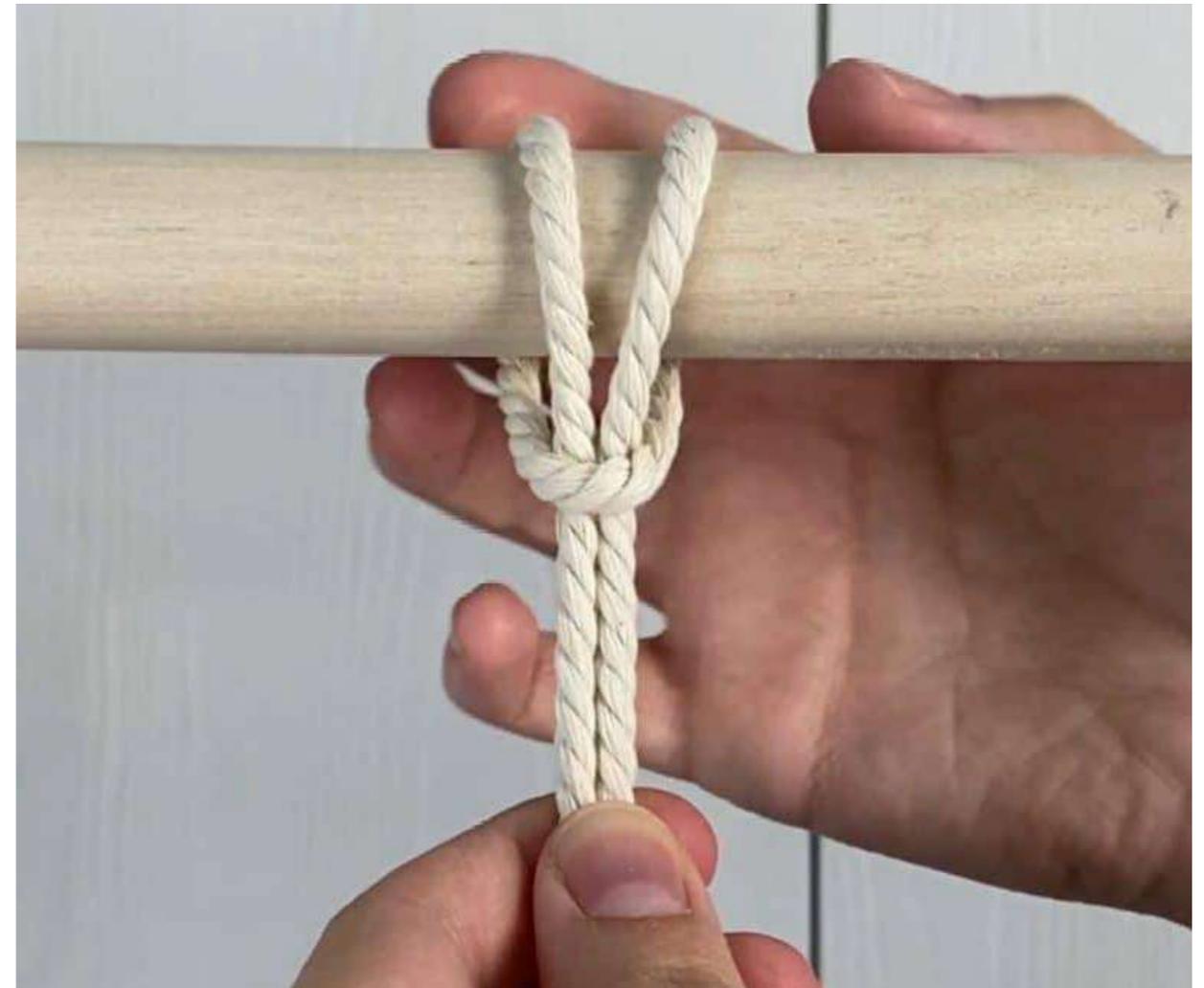
Basic Knots

01 Lark's Head Knot

The lark's head knot is the most common mounting knot you'll use in macrame. You can use it to attach cords to a dowel or a piece of driftwood, metal or wood rings, or another piece of cord.



Fold your cord in half, and place the looped in over your dowel (or whatever you're attaching it to).



Bring the ends of the cord through the loop and tighten it up to secure.

02 Cow Hitch Knot

The cow hitch knot is done the same way as the lark's head knot, but in reverse.



Fold your cord in half, and place the looped in over your dowel (or whatever you're attaching it to).



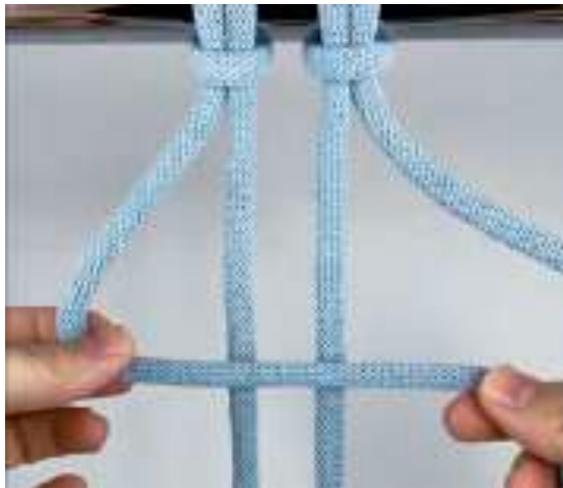
Bring the ends of the cord through the loop.



Pull the ends to tighten the loop.

03 Square Knot

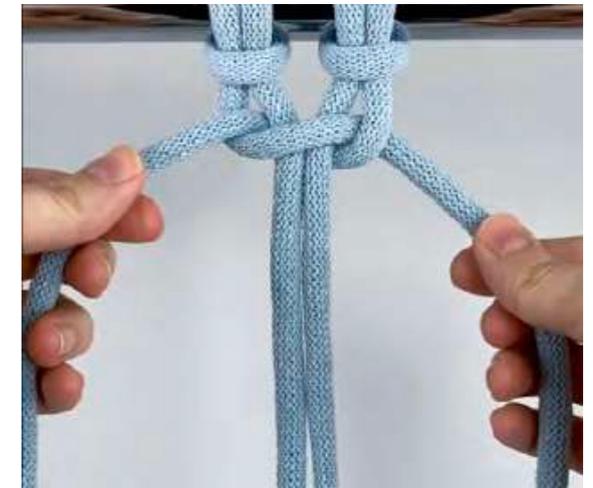
The square knot is one of the most important basic macrame knots you'll learn. The two outside (working) cords will use a lot more cord than the filler cords, so plan accordingly. Here's how to make a left facing square knot. (To make a right facing one, you do the same thing in reverse.)



Cross the left cord across the center cords and behind the right cord.



Bring the right cord behind the center cords and pull the end through the loop on the far left.



Pull the ends to tighten. This is half of the square knot.



Bring the right cord in front of the center cords.



Bring the left cord behind the center cords and pull the end through the loop on the far right.



Tighten and the square knot is complete.

04 Half Hitch Knot

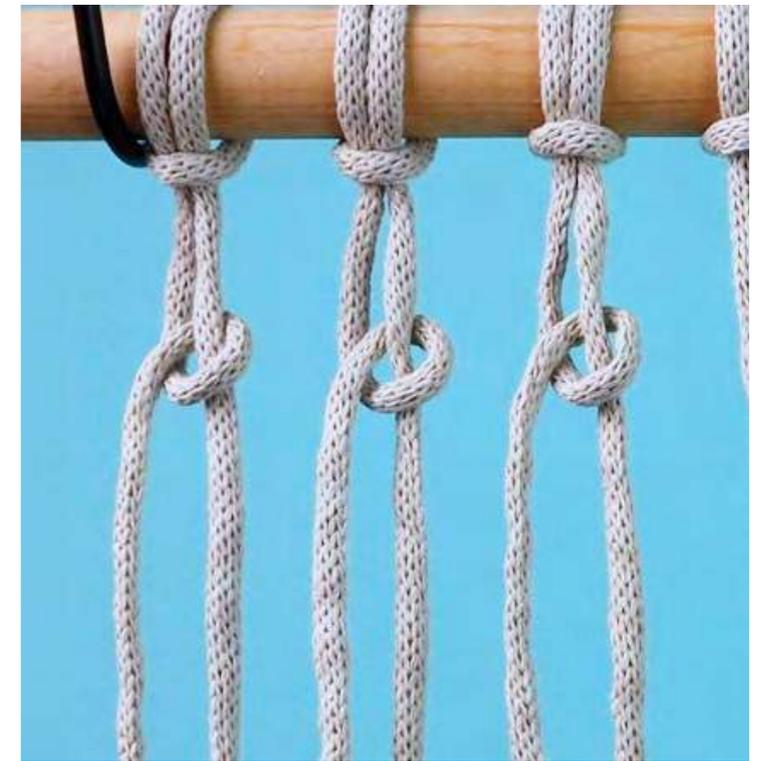
The half hitch knot is another important basic macrame knot. It's half of the even more important double half hitch knot (which we'll learn next). This is how to make a half hitch knot going to the right. (To make one going to the left, it's the same, but in reverse.)



Bring the left cord over the right cord in an L shape.



Bring the left cord around the right cord and pull the end through the loop.



Tighten it as much as you want for your design.

05 Double Half Hitch Knot (Clove Hitch) - L to R Horizontal

The horizontal double half hitch knot can be a little tricky at first, but it's a very important knot to learn. Here's how to make horizontal double half hitch knots from left to right.



Hold the left cord in front of the other cords in an L shape. This will be the filler cord.



Bring the next cord over up and around the filler cord to make a half hitch knot.



Pull the end of the cord to tighten.



Repeat that again with the same cord.



Tighten up the knot.



Repeat across the row with each cord.

Double Half Hitch Knot (Clove Hitch) - R to L Horizontal

To make double half hitch knots from right to left, it's the same process, just reversed.



Bring the right cord across the other cords in the shape of an L. Wrap the next cord around and bring the end through the loop.



Repeat that again with the same cord. Tighten the knot. Repeat with the rest of the cords.

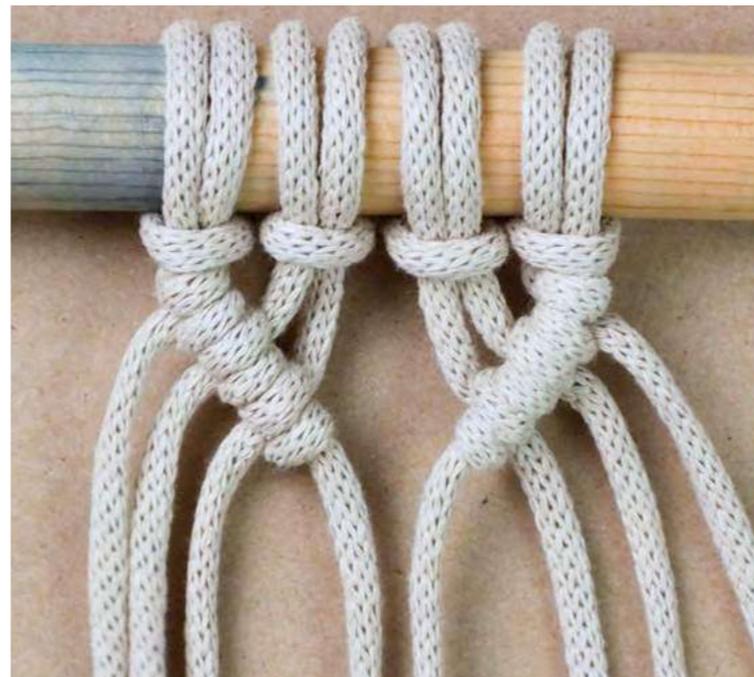


Double Half Hitch Knot (Clove Hitch) - Diagonal

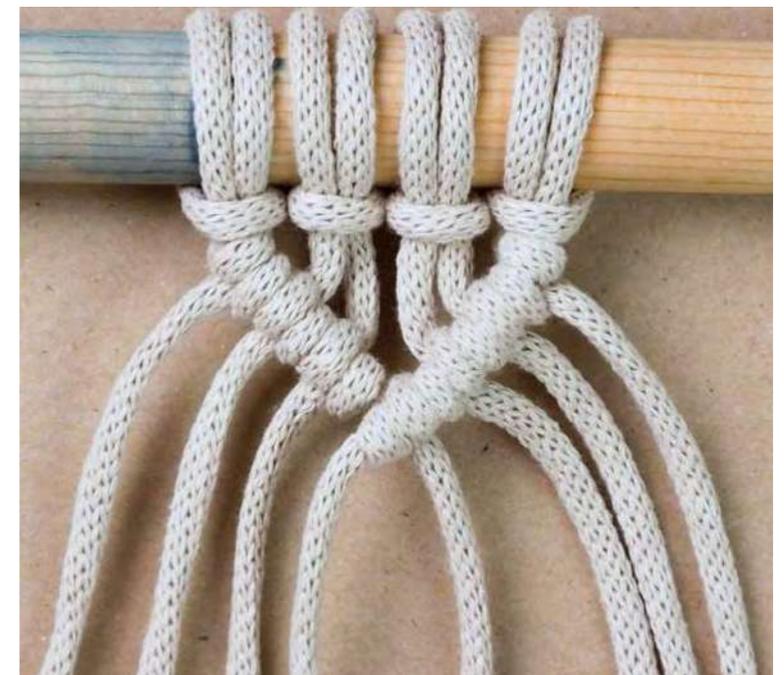
Making diagonal double half hitch knots is the same as doing them horizontally, but you hold the filler cord at the angle you want your knots to go.



Hold the filler cord at a diagonal angle and tie the first double half hitch knot.



Continue tying double half hitch knots, holding the filler cords at an angle. It's the same process to go right to left, just reversed.



Tie one last knot in the center if you want to connect the sides.

06 Vertical Double Half Hitch Knot (VDHHK)

The vertical double half hitch knot is used a lot of times to add a pop of color to macrame wall hangings. Here's how to tie a row of vertical double half hitch knots to the right.



Hold the short end of a piece of cord behind and to the left of the first two filler cords. The right side of this cord is much longer.



Bring the right end of the cord in front of and then around the filler cords.



Tighten up the cord.



Hold the right side of the cord with your finger and cross the right end of the cord in front of the filler cords. Wrap the end around and bring it through that loop you're holding.



Pull the end to tighten the knot. This is one vertical double half hitch knot.



Bring the cord behind the next set of filler cords.



Hold the cord and wrap it in front of the filler cords. Bring the end around and through the loop. Repeat.



Continue across the row.

Vertical Double Half Hitch Knot - Continued

Here's how to continue tying a row of vertical double half hitch knots to the left.



Cross the working cord behind the filler cord and hold the loop. Then bring the end around in front and through the loop.



Tighten up the knot.



Pull the working cord around to the left.



Cross the end of the working cord in front of the filler cords, holding the loop. Bring the ends through the loop.



Bring the working cord behind the next set of filler cords.



Hold the loop, cross the cord in front of the filler cords and pull through the loop. Repeat twice for each filler cord.



Two rows complete!

07 Vertical Lark's Head Knot (VLHK)

The vertical lark's head knot is a handy knot to know. The top row shows how to make a right facing vertical lark's head knot, and the bottom row shows how to make a left facing vertical lark's head knot.



Cross the right cord in front of the left cord in the shape of a backwards L.



Bring the end around and through the loop.



Bring that same cord behind the other cord from right to left. Wrap the end around and pull it through the loop.



Tighten up the knot.



Cross the left cord in front of the right cord in the shape of an L.



Bring the end around and through the loop.



Bring that same cord behind the other cord from left to right. Wrap the end around and pull it through the loop.



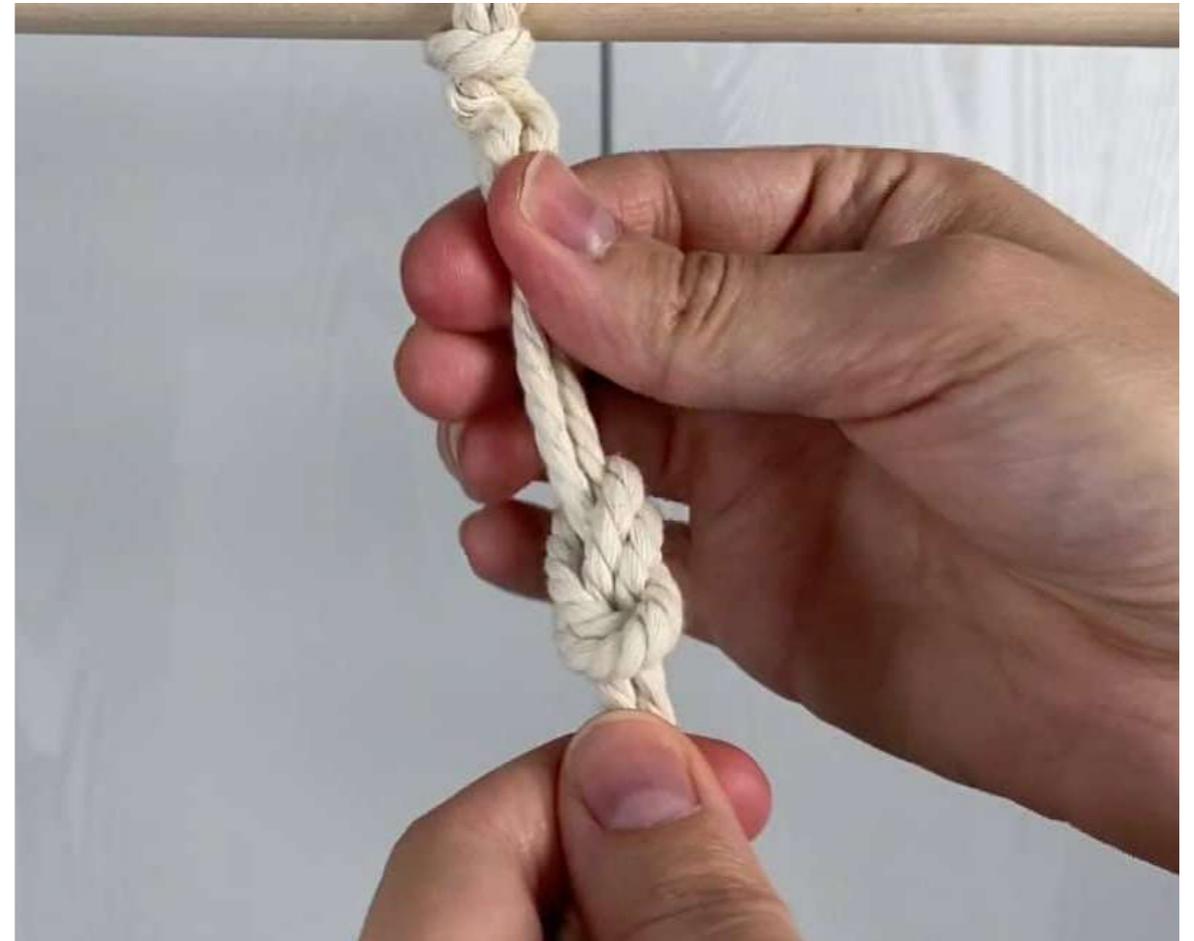
Tighten up the knot.

08 Overhand Knot

The overhand knot is one of the most basic knots there is. It's super useful for macrame and just about anything that involves a knot!



Wrap the ends of the cord up and across itself to make a circle. Bring the end behind and through the loop.



Pull the ends to tighten up the knot.

09 Wrapping Knot

The wrapping knot is commonly used to finish plant hangers or anything that needs to be gathered and secured. It's a very handy knot to know. I use it all the time!



Hold a piece of cord in front of the cords you want to wrap.



Hold it in a U shape, with the short side on the left.



Start wrapping with the long end, making sure the short left side is sticking out of the top.



Continue wrapping until it's the length you want. Make sure you don't go past the loop at the bottom.



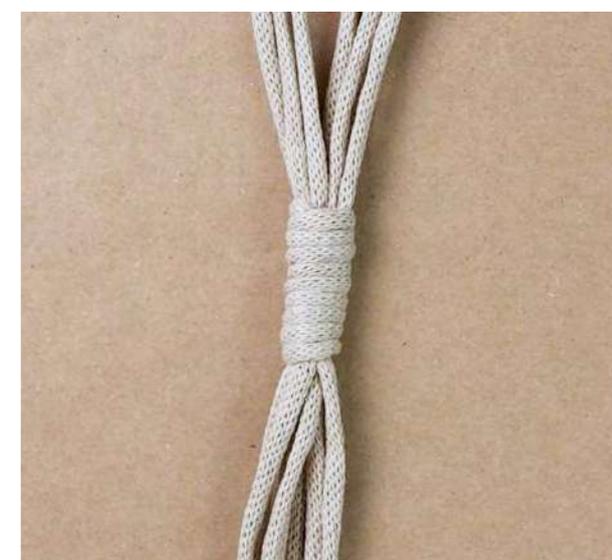
Bring the end you've been wrapping with through the loop.



Pull the short cord at the top to pull the loop halfway up the wrapped section.



The two ends will be sticking out of the top and bottom. Cut them close to the wraps.



Use the end of your scissors to poke the ends up under the wraps.

Section 02

Lark's Head Knot

Alternatives & Variations

10 Extended Lark's Head Knot

The extended lark's head knot is a good way to add some extra space between your cords.



After you attach the cord to your dowel with a lark's head knot, take the right cord and bring it behind and over the dowel.



Bring the end of the cord down through the loop and tighten.



Do the same thing on the left side.



11 Double Lark's Head Knot

If you want to attach a piece of cord to your dowel on both ends, leaving a loop of cord in the middle, this is how to do it. This is a great way to add extra fringe to your wall hangings, just attach each piece of fringe to the swag of cord using lark's head knots.



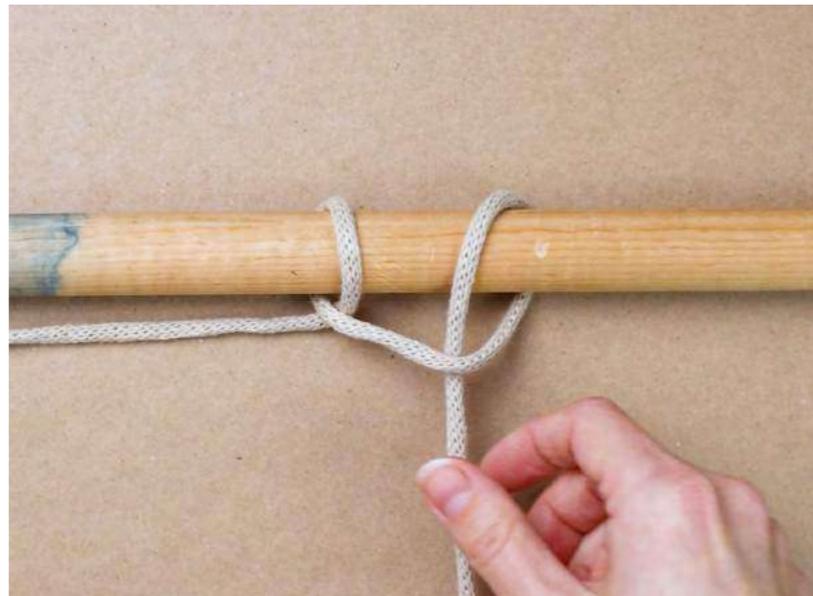
After attaching the cord to the dowel, take the right side and hold it in front of the dowel.



Bring the end around and through the loop.



Now, take the end and bring it behind the dowel.



Bring the end over and pull it through the loop and tighten it up.



12 Crossed Lark's Head (Version 1)

This is a fun way to jazz up your lark's head knot a little bit. It still functions the same way as a regular lark's head, but it adds a little more detail and texture.



Attach your cord with a lark's head knot, but pull out the loop a bit.



Twist the loop 180 degrees clockwise, so it twists.



Pull the loop up and over the dowel.



Pull the ends through the loop and tighten it up.



13 Crossed Lark's Head (Version 2)

This is another decorative lark's head knot that's a little more understated but still adds a bit of visual interest.



Attach your cord with a lark's head but leave some slack in your loop.



Grab the loop and twist it 180 degrees clockwise.

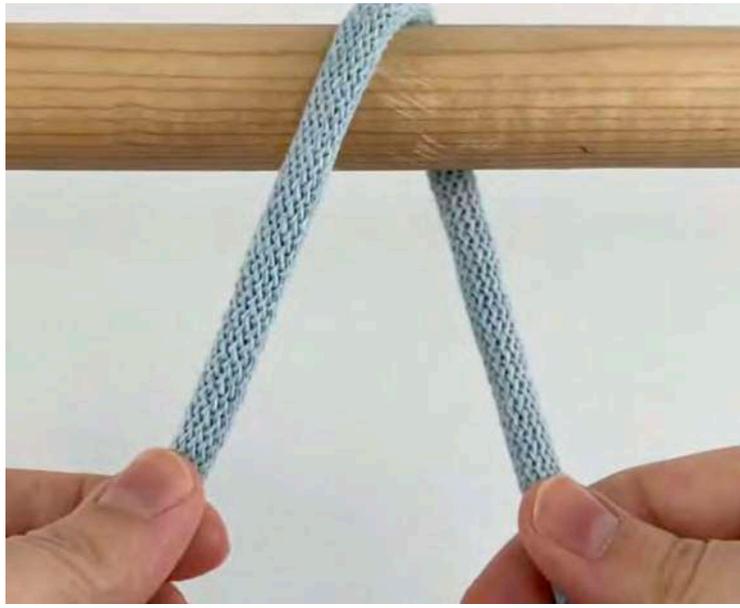


Pull the loop down and bring the ends of the cord through the loop. Tighten up the knot.

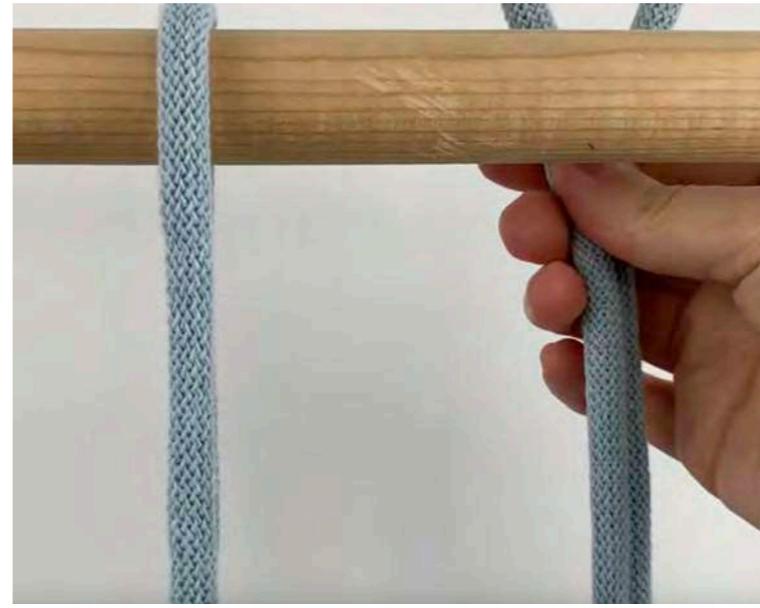


14 Reinforced Lark's Head Knot

Not only does this version of the lark's head knot look neat, it stays in place more securely than a regular lark's head knot! You can do it as shown below, or loop the ends over on the left if you want the bar to slant the other direction.



Fold your cord in half and loop it over the bar.



Bring the ends up on the right behind the dowel.



Bring the ends over the dowel and pull them through the loop that's formed. Tighten up the knot.



15 Cat's Paw Knot

This is another sturdy lark's head alternative that looks pretty neat. You can keep adding more loops to get a longer cat's paw.



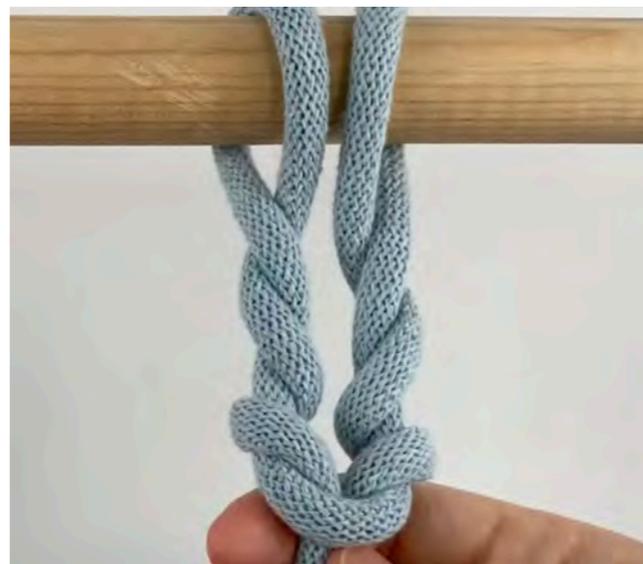
Start by attaching your cord with a lark's head knot, but keep it loose.



Bring the right cord up and through the center of the loop.



Repeat that on the left side.



Repeat that again on each side. Then slide the loops up while pulling on the ends to tighten.



16 Slingstone Hitch

The slingstone hitch is a simple but sturdy lark's head alternative.



Fold the cord in half and bring the loop over and behind the dowel.



Bring the right cord behind and then through the loop.



Do the same thing with the left cord. Tighten them up.



Section 03

Square Knot

Patterns & Variations

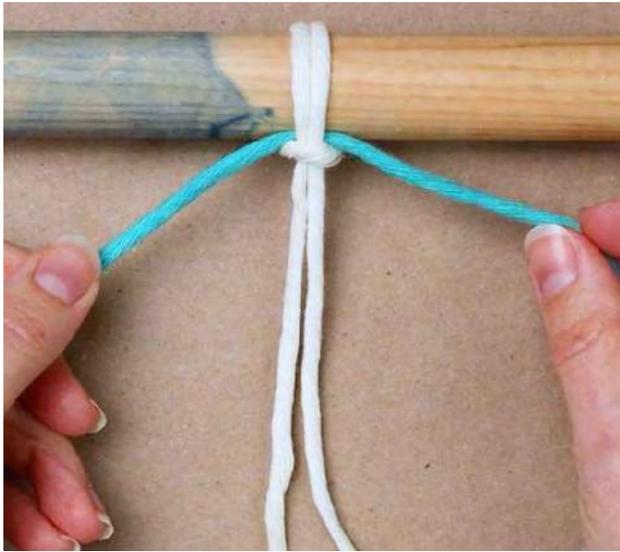
17 Square Knot Sennit

A square knot sennit is just several square knots tied in a row. It's sometimes called a Solomon bar or cobra knot.

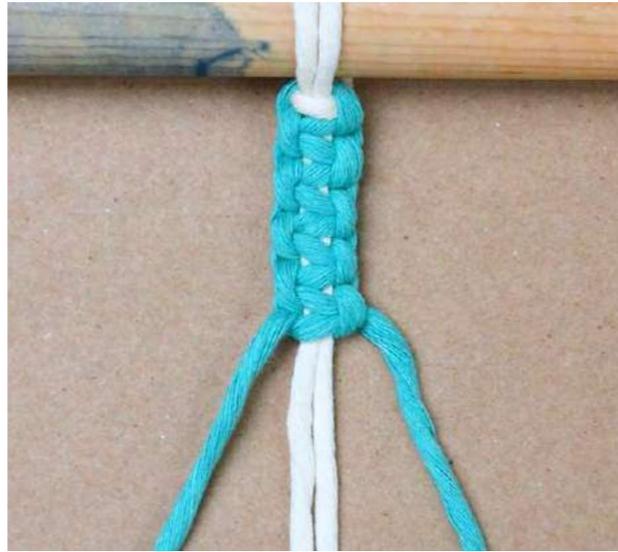


18 Square Knot Sennit - Multicolor

You can add different colors to your macrame with square knot sennits. It's a really fun way to add some cool designs to your wall hangings, plant hangers, and other macrame art!



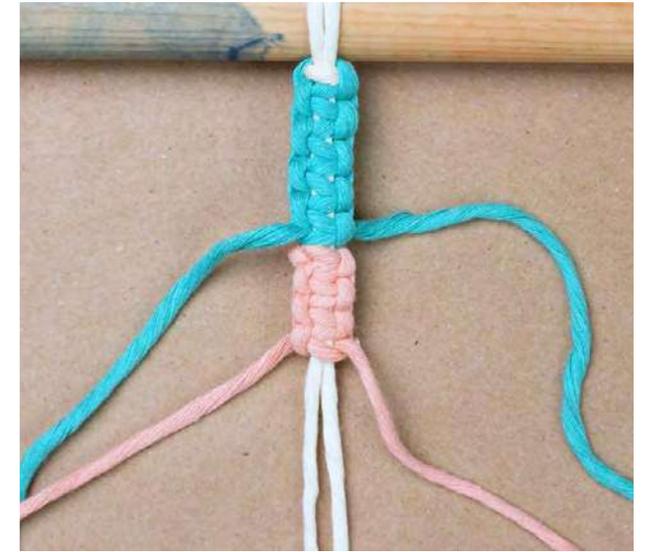
Attach the filler cord with a lark's head knot, and thread the first color through the knot.



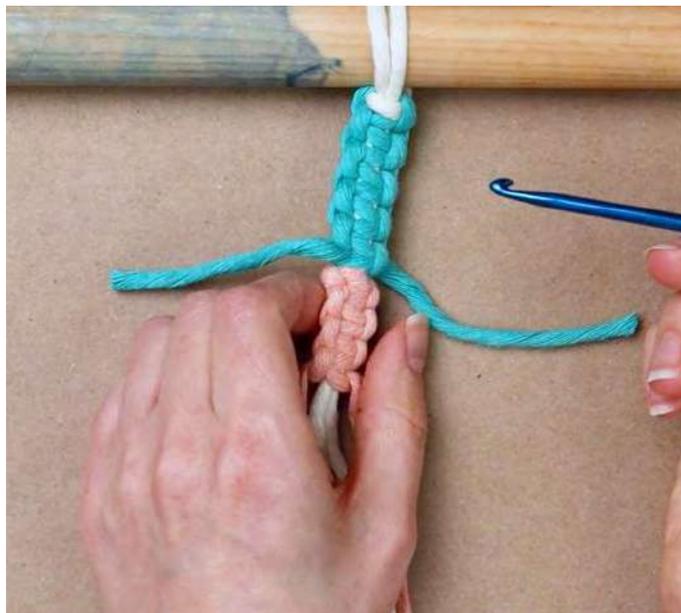
Use the colored cord as the working cords and tie a square knot sennit.



If you want to change colors, thread the new cord behind the filler cords and continue the sennit.



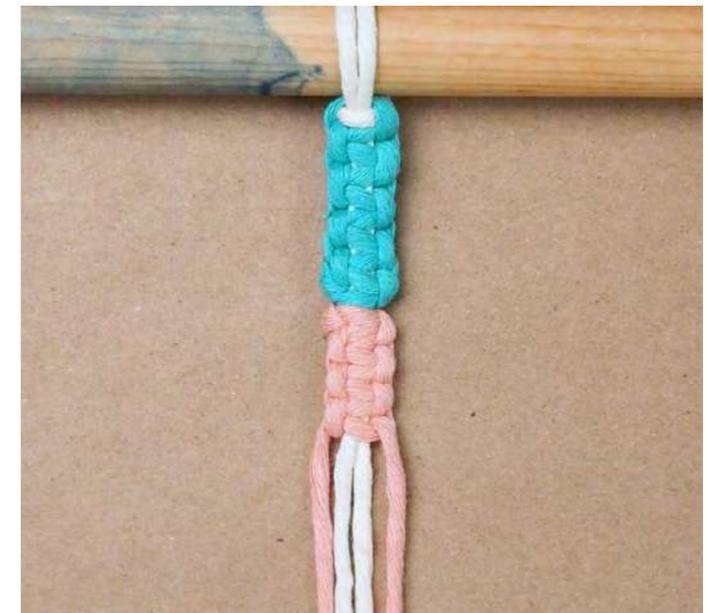
Once you're finished, it's time to hide the ends of the first color.



Cut the ends a bit shorter and grab a crochet hook.



Flip the sennit over and thread the ends up behind a few knots.



Repeat that with the other color, or just leave the ends hanging.

19 Alternating Square Knot Mesh

This is a very common macrame pattern that you'll use all the time. You can alter the look by changing the spacing between the knots, or by adding two or three stacked knots instead of just one. Here's the basic pattern.



Start with a row of square knots at the top.



Skip the first 2 cords, and tie a square knot with the next 2.



Repeat that across. The knots will be between the knots of the first row.



Repeat the first row, then repeat the second until it's your desired length.



You can decrease a knot on each end to get a triangle shape like this.

20 Half Knot Spiral

This is a common decorative knot pattern that's popular in a lot of macrame designs. The pictures on the left show a left twisting half knot spiral, and the pictures on the right show a right twisting spiral.



21 Berry Knot

Berry knots are a great way to add some texture to your macrame pieces.



Tie a square knot sennit of three knots, leaving a bit of space at the top.



Bring the two center cords up and through the space at the top of the first square knot. Pull the ends all the way through so it rolls up on itself.



Tie another square knot at the bottom to secure the berry knot.

This switch knot is one of my favorite knots. It's so simple, but it makes a beautiful lacy design.



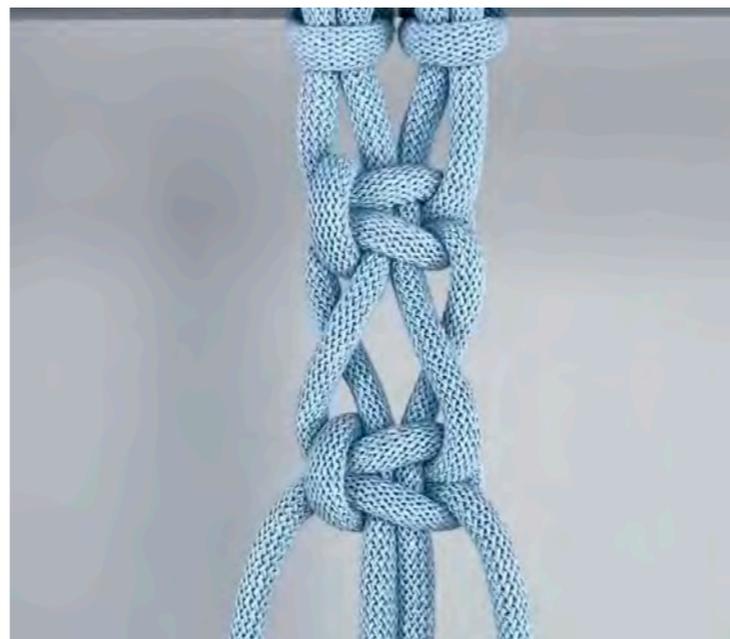
Start by tying a square knot.



Bring the center cords to the outside and the working cords to the inside.



Tie your next square knot with the cords switched. Repeat.



23 Square Knot Picot

This is a really fun knot pattern and super easy to do. If you want to make your knot spacing effortless, be sure to grab a ruler or a tape measure.



Tie a square knot.



Tie your next square knot about an inch away from the first.



Repeat 2X, doubling the amount of space between each knot each time.



Tie 3 more knots, reducing the space by half each time.



Slide the knots up the filler cord.



24 Circular Fishbone Pattern

This pattern is really striking and looks awesome on the arms of a plant hanger or in a wall hanging. You could also use this pattern for a macrame bracelet or belt!



Attach four cords to a dowel, and tie a square knot with the center cords.



Grab the next two cords on each side, bring them under the first working cords, and use them to tie a square knot.



Here's how it will look at this point.



Repeat that with the next set of cords.



Now tie another square knot with the same set of cords you just used, but leave about an inch of space. Then push the knot up to form picots.



Tie the next square knot with the same cords you used for the second square knot.

Circular Fishbone Patterns - Continued



Leave a bit of space again and push the knot up to form the loops on the sides.



Tie the next square knot with the working cords from the first square knot.



Leave a bit of space and push the knot up to form the loops. Repeat this pattern as many times as you want.



25 Fishbone Mesh

This square knot mesh pattern looks amazing in a wall hanging. It's a lot simpler to make than it looks. For this version you'll need the amount of cords attached to be a multiple of four.



Attach the cords to your dowel with lark's head knots.



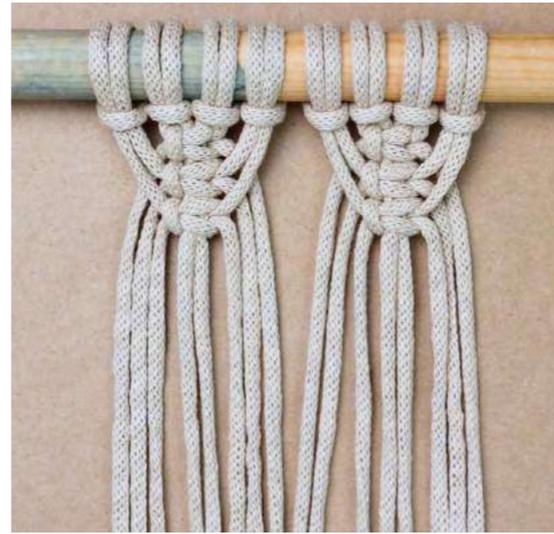
Skip the first two cords and tie a square knot with the next four.



Grab the next cord on the left and right and tie the next square knot under the first.



Repeat that with the next two cords.



Repeat the pattern across.



Grab the four cords in the center of two sections.

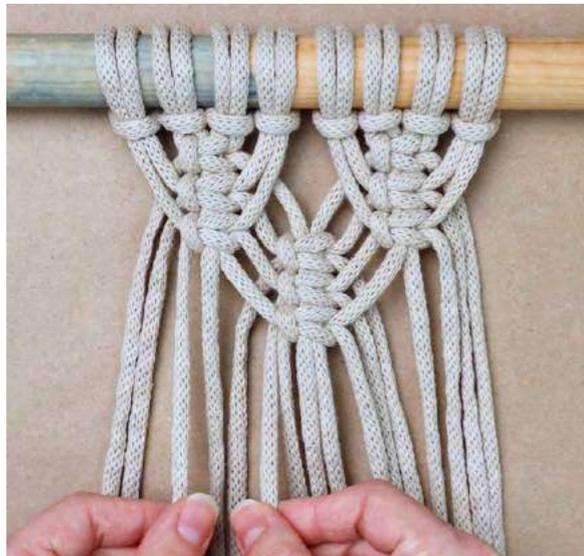
Fishbone Mesh - Continued



Tie a square knot and line up the top with the bottom of the previous row of knots.



Grab the next cord on the right and left to tie the next knot. Repeat.



Skip the first two cords, repeat the same pattern as the first section.



Here's how it will look at this point. Repeat on the right side.

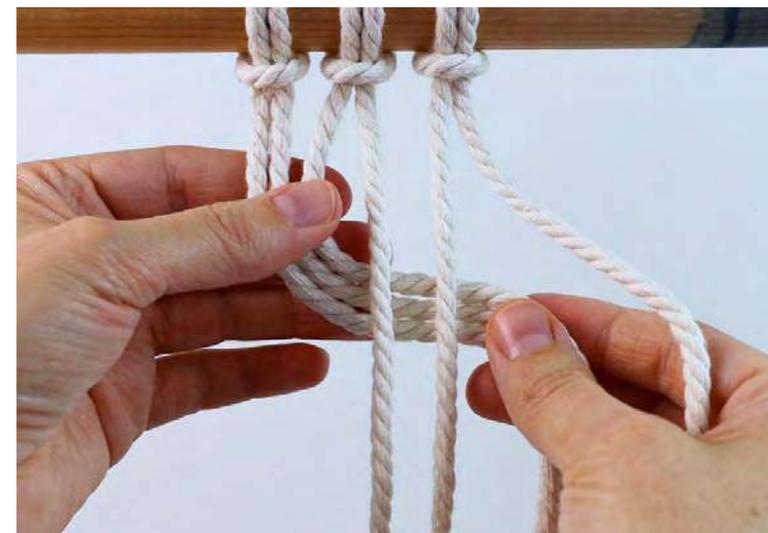


26 Wave Knot

This is a fun sennit pattern that looks really interesting. Add it to your wall hangings, plant hangers, and anywhere else you need a unique strap design.



Attach 3 cords to a dowel with lark's head knots. Hold the left three in your left hand the one cord on the right in your right hand. Leave the other two hanging.



Bring the left cords behind the two hanging cords. Be sure to keep them stacked neatly.



Bring the right cord behind the three cords on the right.



Loop the right cord in front of the hanging cords and up through the space to the right of the three left cords.

Wave Knot - Continued



Bring the three cords behind the hanging cords to the left, keeping them stacked.



Bring the single cord behind the three cords and through the loop on the right. Tighten up the knot.



Continue this pattern as long as you want.



This is a simple pattern, but it adds a lot of texture to your macrame. Try it with multiple colors!



Starting on the left, make the first half of a square knot.



Switch to the right four cords, and make the second half of the square knot.



Repeat that all the way down.



Here's how it looks with two colors.

Section 04

Vertical Lark's Head Knot Patterns & Variations

28 Alternating Vertical Lark's Head Knot (Basic)

You can make a sennit with the vertical lark's head knot. It looks pretty cool with two colors, which is what I used below.



Use the left most cord to tie a left facing VLHK around the two center cords (see page 12 for knot tutorial).



Here's how it will look at this point.



Use the right most cord to tie a right facing VLHK around the two center cords under the first knot. Repeat these steps back and forth.

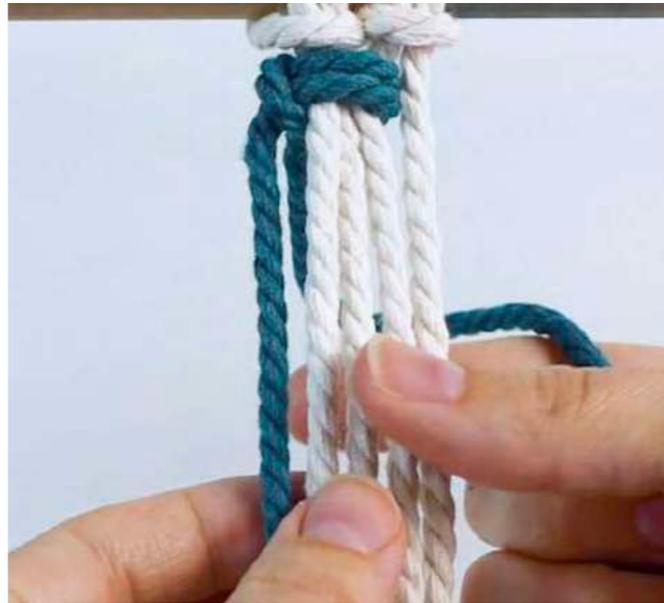


29 Alternating Vertical Lark's Head Knot (Variation 1)

This is an interesting looking version of the alternating vertical lark's head knot sennit. I've seen this knot pattern used in wall hangings and it looks really great with contrasting colors.



The colored piece of cord will be the working cords and the natural cords are the filler cords.



Use the left side of the working cords to tie a left facing VLHK around the three left filler cords.



Use the right side of the working cords to tie a right facing VLHK around the right three filler cords. Repeat those steps back and forth.



30 Picot Vertical Lark's Head Knot Pattern

This is a fun, decorative version of the vertical lark's head knot.



Start by using the left cord to tie a regular left facing VLHK around the two filler cords.



Then use the right cord to tie a right facing VLHK, leaving a couple inches of space between the knots.



Push the bottom knot up to meet the top knot. It'll make a picot loop. Repeat that for each knot going back and forth. Keep the spacing consistent so the loops are even.



31 Criss Cross Vertical Lark's Head Knot Pattern

This VLHK pattern reminds me of a corset lacing or something. It's a really pretty decorative knot pattern.



Start by attaching three cords to a dowel, and using the left center cord to tie a right facing VLHK around the two left cords, and the right center cord to tie a left facing VLHK around the two right cords.



Now you're going to cross the cords.



Use the right center cord to tie the next right facing VLHK on the left. Then use the left center cord to tie the next left facing VLHK on the right. Repeat.



32 Buttonhole Vertical Lark's Head Knot Pattern

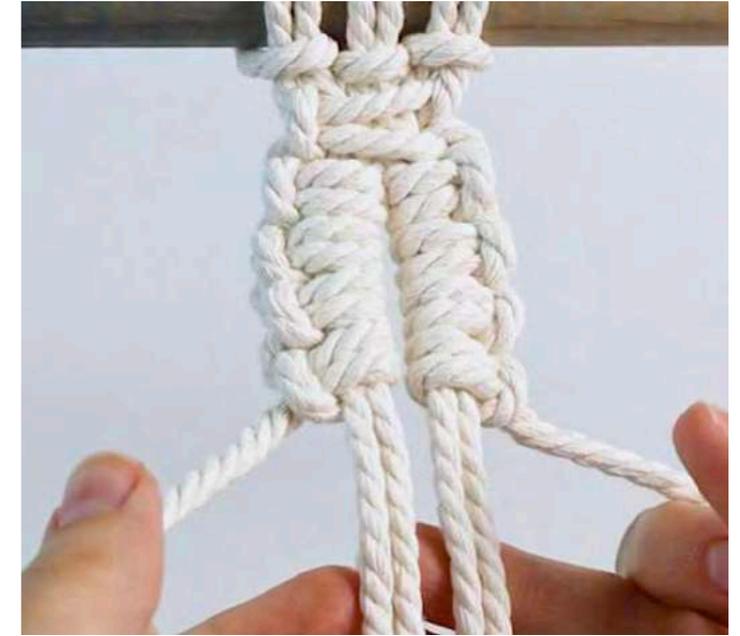
This VLHK pattern looks really striking in a wall hanging or a plant hanger. You can add more or less VLHK's to change the size of the buttonhole.



Attach three cords to your dowel. Then tie a square knot at the top using the left and right cord as working cords and the four center cords as filler cords.



Use the left cord to tie four VLHK around the two left cords.



Use the right cord to tie four VLHK around the two right cords.



Finish with one more square knot around the four center cords. Repeat as desired.

33 Diamond Vertical Lark's Head Knot Pattern

This diamond VLHK pattern is unique and pretty easy to make. I used this design for a free wall hanging plant hanger pattern and I really love the way it turned out! Start with 10 cords attached to a dowel with lark's head knots.



Cross the center left cord in front of the center right cord and tie half of a VLHK.



Here's how it will look.



Repeat that with the next cord to the left, tying the knot around the left center cord you used to tie the previous knot.



Tie half of a VLHK with the next cord to the left, but this time it'll go around the 9th and 10th cord from the left.



Continue this pattern with each cord going to the left, and add it to the bundle of filler cords.



Here's how it will look at this point.



Use the last working cord you used, and tie the second half of a VLHK around the bundle.



Here's how it will look.

Diamond Vertical Lark's Head Knot Pattern - Continued



Repeat that with each cord going back to the center, decreasing the amount of filler cords by one for each knot.



Now the left side of the diamond is done.



On the top right side, use the right center cord to tie half of a VLHK around the left center cord.



Continue the pattern like we did on the other side all the way to the right.



Now you'll tie the second half of the VLHK with each cord.



This is how it will look. Continue this back to the center, decreasing a filler cord each time.



At the bottom, tie a half hitch knot to attach the two sides.



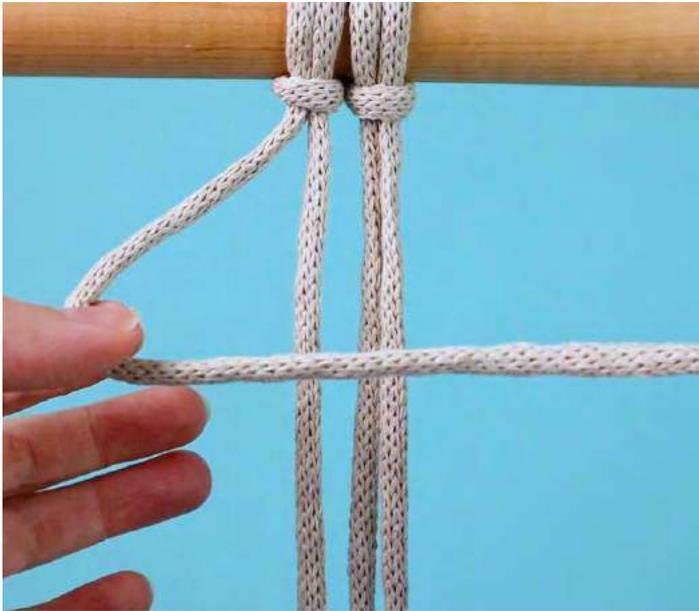
Repeat as desired.

Section 05

Half Hitch Knot Patterns & Variations

34 Half Hitch Spiral

The half hitch spiral is similar to the half knot spiral, but it's made with one cord as the working cord. This half hitch spiral is left facing, but you can make it spiral the other direction by tying right facing half hitch knots instead.



Cross the left most cord in front of the other cords in an L shape.



Bring the end around and through the loop. Tighten the knot.



Repeat that knot as many times as it takes to get the desired length.



35 Alternating Half Hitch Chain

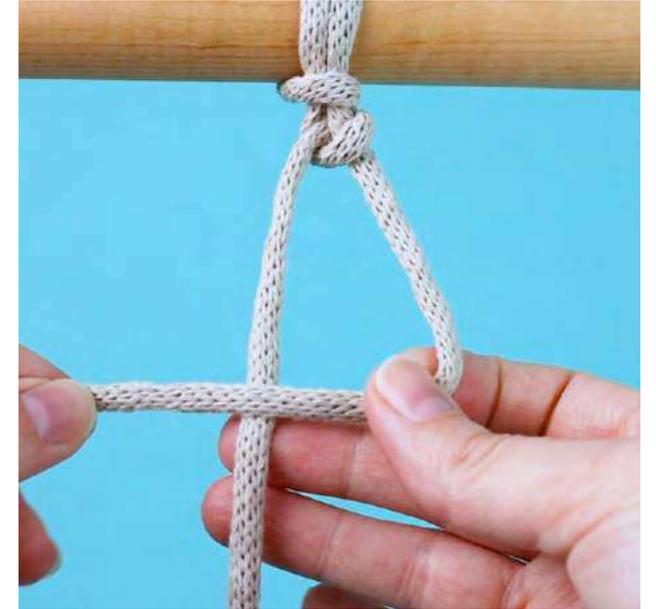
This alternating half hitch chain is very simple to make, but it adds some nice texture into your macrame art.



Cross the left cord in front of the right cord in an L shape.



Bring the end around and through the loop.



Cross the right cord in front of the left in a backward L shape.



Bring the end around and through the loop. Repeat.



36 Alternating Half Hitch Mesh

This pattern looks really nice in wall hangings, but it's delicate so make sure it's supported by other knots. I've seen this in macraweaves between rows of double half hitch knots and it looks almost like ocean waves.



For each pair of cords, use the left cord to make a half hitch knot around the right cord. Don't tighten the knot too much.



Repeat that across. Keep the knots even.



For the second row, skip the first cord and tie loose half hitch knots across. Also skip the last cord. Keep everything even.



Repeat row one for row three. Continue the pattern as long as you like.



Here's how it looks with the cords doubled up. Be careful to stack the cords neatly when you're knotting.

This is a fun alternating half hitch mesh pattern that you can add to your work. You can change up the design by adding more knots to your chain or changing the amount of space between the chains.



Tie a chain of four alternating half hitch knots in each cord pair going across.



Skip the first cord, and tie a chain of four alternating half hitch knots between each chain of the previous row. Skip the last cord. Repeat these two rows until it's as long as you want.



38 Reverse Double Half Hitch Knot

The back of the double half hitch knot looks different than the front, and adds nice texture to your work. You can also do this by just flipping your work around and tying double half hitch knots, but if you tie them like this on the front side, you can see what you're doing and make the knots neater.

I'm showing how to tie them from right to left, but you can also tie them from left to right, just do everything in reverse.



Hold the working cord in front of the filler cord.



Wrap the working cord around and over the filler cord.



Tighten up the knot.



Hold the working cord up behind the filler cord and hold the loop in place as shown.



Bring the end of the working cord around the filler cord and pull the end through the loop.



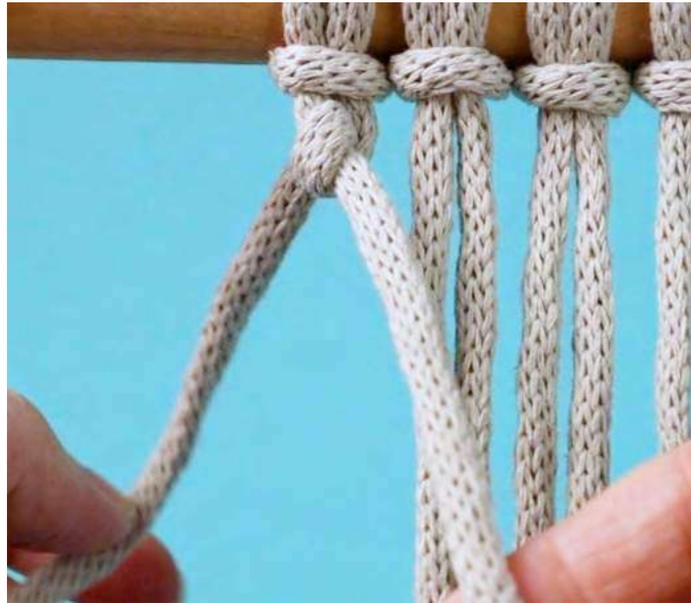
Pull the working cord to tighten.



Repeat to the end of the row.

39 Cobblestone Pattern (Untightened DHHK)

This pattern looks super chaotic at first glance, but it's actually really easy to do. It's a very relaxing macrame technique and the texture is so nice.



With the 1st and 2nd cords, tie the first half of a diagonal DHHK going down and to the right.



Tie the second half of the knot, but don't tighten it all the way. Leave a small gap.



Repeat that across with each pair of cords.



Use the second cord from the right as a filler cord, and tie a loosened DHHK going down and to the left.



The first half of the knot will be nestled up next to the bottom half of the previous row of knots.

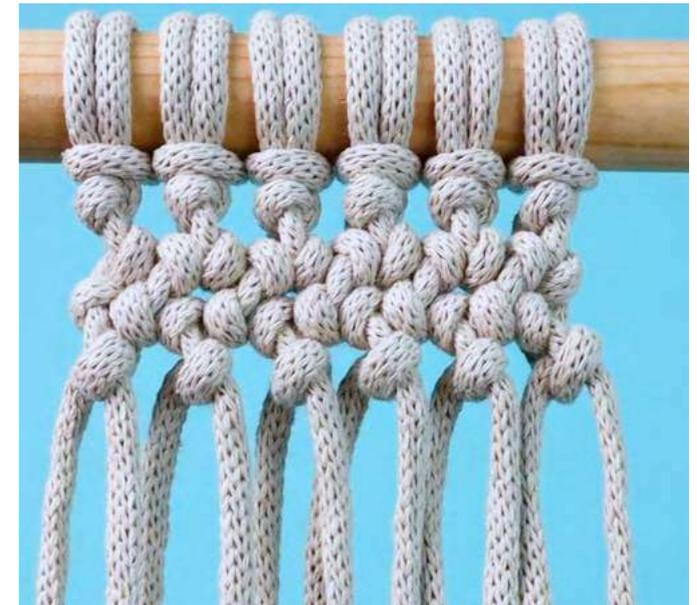
Cobblestone Pattern (Untightened DHHK) - Continued



Leave a gap between the first and second half of the knot like the previous row.



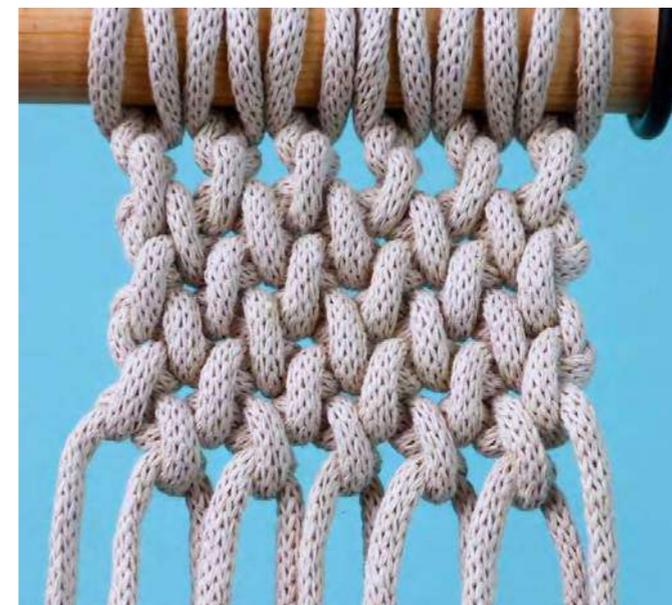
Here's how the two rows will look.



Repeat those two rows going back and forth until it's as long as you want.



Here's the front after six rows.



And here's how the back looks after six rows.

Section 06

Endless Falls Knot Patterns & Variations

40 Endless Falls Knot

The endless falls knot is an interesting knot to add to your macrame repertoire. The back of it looks almost like knit



Cross the two outer cords in front of the two inner cords.



Bring the ends of the cords up and through the loop on either side of the center.



Pull on the two crossed cords to tighten the knot and repeat.



Here's how the back of the endless falls knot looks.

41 Mystical Chain Knot

The mystical chain knot is a neat looking version of the endless falls knot. You can use this for bracelets, plant hanger arms, and lots of other things!



Cross the outer two cords behind the two center cords.



Wrap the center cords up behind and pull the ends through on either side of the center. Pull the outer cords to tighten the knot.



Cross the outer cords behind the center cords again.

Mystical Chain Knot - Continued



Bring the center cords up and this time pull the ends through the center. Pull the outer cords to tighten the knot.



Here's how it will look at this point. Repeat those two steps until it's the length you want.



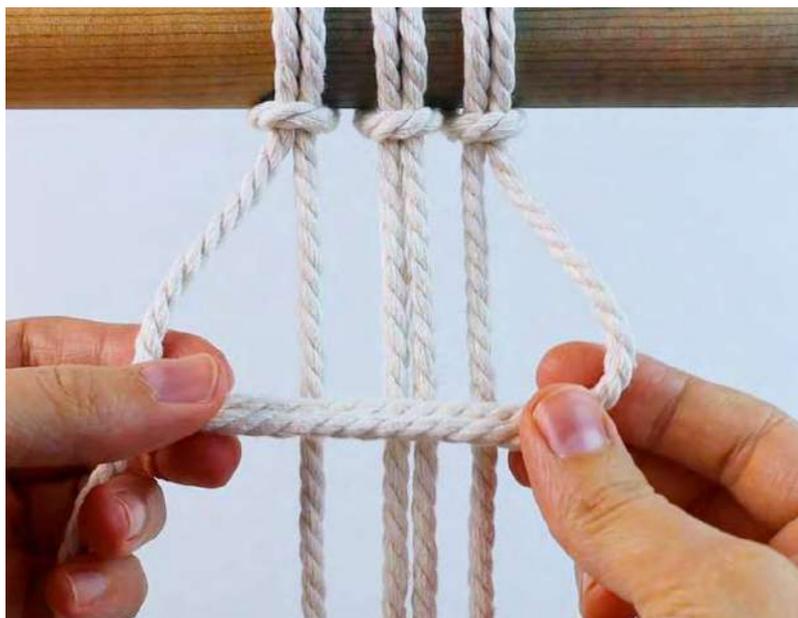
This is how the front will look.



And this is how the back will look.

42 6 Strand Endless Falls Knot

This version of the endless falls knot uses 3 ropes that are attached with lark's head knots. It makes a ladder design that looks like a row of tubes. You can add even more ropes if you want to make the tubes wider!



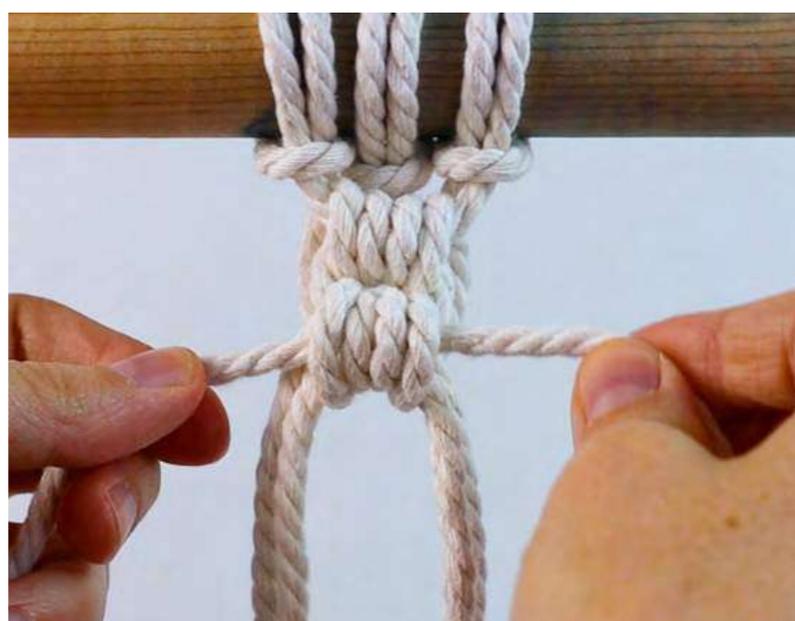
Cross the two outer cords in front of the center cords.



Bring the two right center cords up, around and through on the right, and the left two center cords up, around, and through on the left.



Pull the outer cords to tighten the knot. Repeat.



Pull the outer cords to tighten up the knot.



43 Small Circle Sennit

This knot pattern uses the endless falls knot paired with double half hitch knots to create a small circle. Repeat the knot pattern to make a sennit of circles!



Start by tying an endless falls knot at the top.



Tie a DHHK using the left outside cord as the filler cord and the left inside cord as the working cord.



Tie a DHHK using the right outside cord as the filler cord and the right inside cord as the working cord.



Tie another endless falls knot to complete the circle. Repeat as desired.



44 Reversed Endless Falls Knot

You can tie the endless falls knot in reverse, and the result is this cool knit looking knot pattern.



Cross the two outer cords behind the two inner cords.



Bring the center cords around, behind, and bring the ends through on either side of the center.



Pull the outer cords to tighten up the knot. Repeat.



45 Alternating Endless Falls Mesh

You can use the endless falls knot to create an alternating mesh pattern, similar to an alternating square knot mesh. Start with an even number of cords attached to your dowel with lark's head knots.



Tie an endless falls knot using the 4 cords on the left side.



Repeat across with each pair of cords.



For the second row, skip the first two cords and use the next four to tie an endless falls knot.



Repeat across between each pair of knots from the previous row.



Continue repeating row one and two until you get the amount of rows you want.



Section 07

Braids

This is the standard braid pattern most of us know. It's a classic!



Cross the left cord over the center cord.



Cross the right cord over the center cord.



Cross the left cord over the center cord.



Cross the right cord over the center cord.



Cross the left cord over the center cord.



Repeat until the braid is as long as you want.

47 | 4 Strand Braid

A four strand braid is surprisingly simple to make. I love using this for purse straps and bags.



Cross the left cord over the right cord for both pairs of cords.



Cross the center right cord over the center left cord.



Cross the left cord over the right cord for both pairs of cords again.



Cross the center right cord over the center left cord.



Repeat until the braid is as long as you want.

48 5 Strand Braid

A five strand braid is a bit wider and looks really nice.



Cross the right cord over the cord next to it.



Bring that same cord under the next cord to the left.



Take the left cord and cross it over the cord next to it to the right.



Bring that same cord under the first cord from the right side.



Take the cord that's now on the far right, and bring it over and under the two cords to the left.



Bring the far left cord over and under the next two cords to the right.



Repeat until the braid is as long as you want.

49 6 Strand Braid

The six strand braid is perfect for straps, belts, and more.



Cross the right cord over the left cord for all three pairs of cord.



Ignore the cord on the far left and right, and cross the left cord over the right for the two center pairs.



Cross the center right cord over the center left cord.



Bring the far right cord over and then under the next two cords to the left.



Bring the far left cord under, over and then under the next three cords to the right.



Pull all the cords to tighten up the braid.



Repeat until the braid is as long as you want.

50 Single Cord Braid

You can even make a braid with just one cord!



Make a counter clockwise loop with your cord.



Bring the end behind and bring it through the loop, pulling it over to the right.



Twist the loop a half turn from right to left.



Bring the cord behind and through the loop again, pulling it over to the left.



Twist the loop a half turn from left to right.

Single Cord Braid - Continued



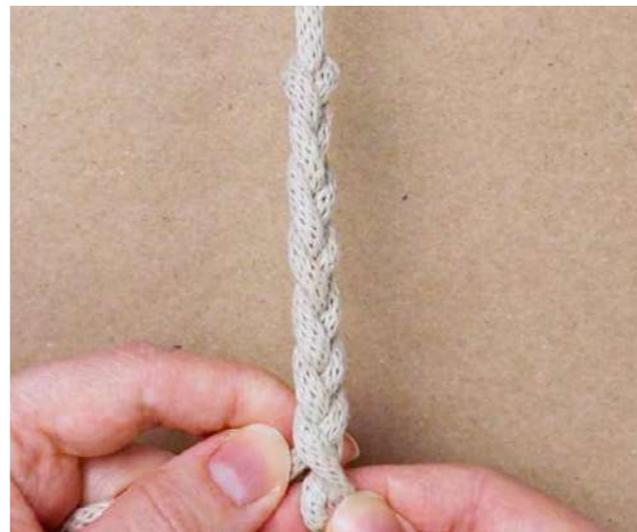
Bring the cord behind and through the loop, pulling it over to the right.



Twist the loop a half turn from right to left.



Bring the cord behind and through the loop, pulling it over to the left



Continue until the loop is tiny, pull the cord through the loop one last time.



Section 08

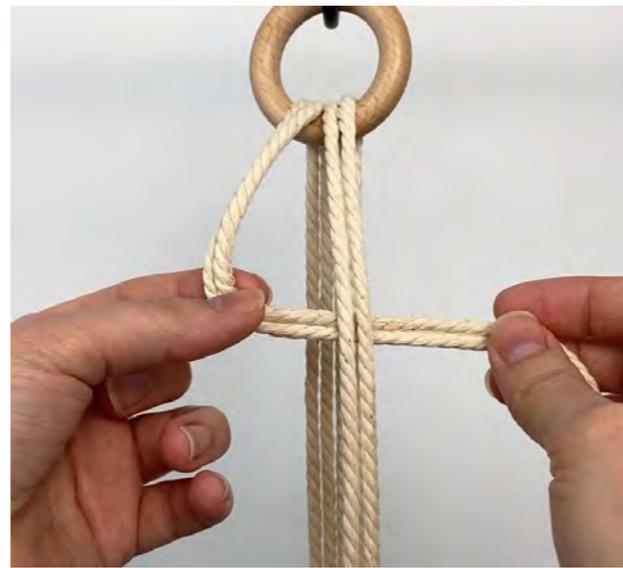
More Macrame Knots

51 Crown Knot

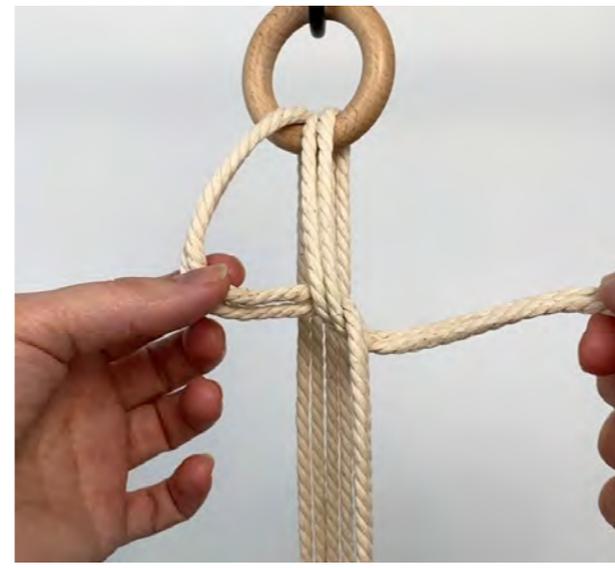
The Chinese crown knot is one of my favorite ways to start a plant hanger. It seems confusing, but once you get the pattern down it's actually super simple. In the example below, I started with four cords looped through a wooden ring, and I'm holding two cords together for each section.



Imagine the cords are numbered 1-4 starting on the front left and going around counter clockwise. Separate the two front cords and hold one in each hand.



Cross the cord 1 behind the cord 2 in a number 4 shape. Keep a hold of that loop on the left the whole time you're tying.



Grab the end of the cord 2, drop the end of the cord 1, and bring the bottom of cord 2 up and behind cord 1.



Hold cord 2 with your left hand, and grab cord 3 with your right hand. Cross cord 3 in front of cord 2 and loop it around, behind and up.

Crown Knot - continued



Here's how it will look at this point.



Repeat that process again, bringing cord 4 in front of cord 3, and looping it around, behind and up. It'll look like this.



Bring the end of cord 4 through the loop you were holding at the beginning and pull the ends of all the cords to tighten. That completes one crown knot.



Repeat until it's as long as you want.

52 Barrel Knot

This is a handy knot for finishing ends in a wall hanging, a belt, or anything where you don't want to brush out the fringe. It looks nice to make staggered barrel knots in the fringe of a wall hanging, for example.

You can make a longer barrel by wrapping around extra times.



Loop the end of the cord around counter clockwise.

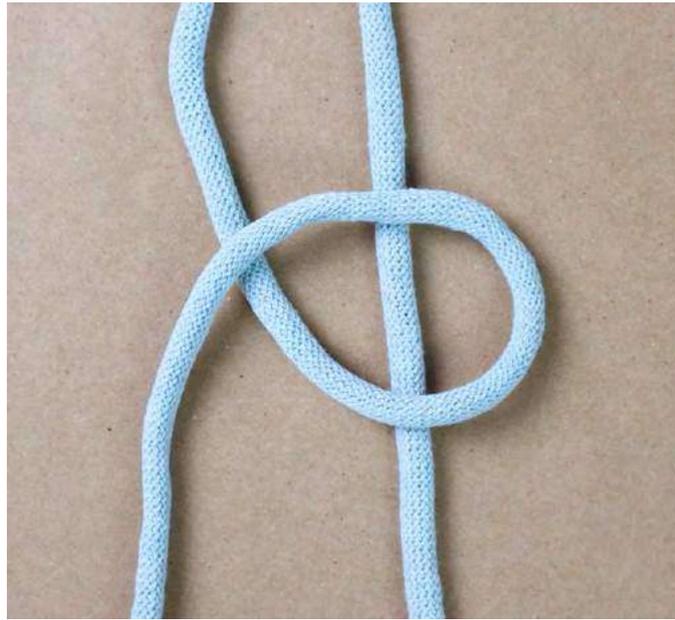


Wrap the end of the cord around the left side of the loop three times.

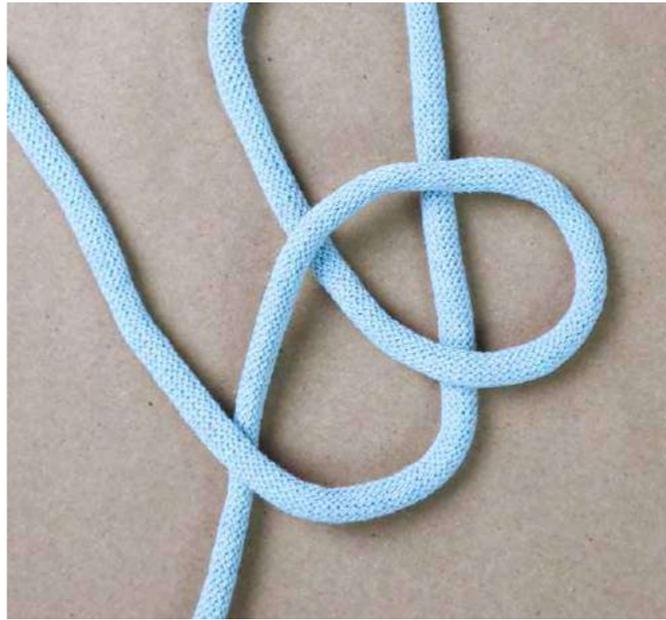


Pull both ends of the cord to tighten the knot.

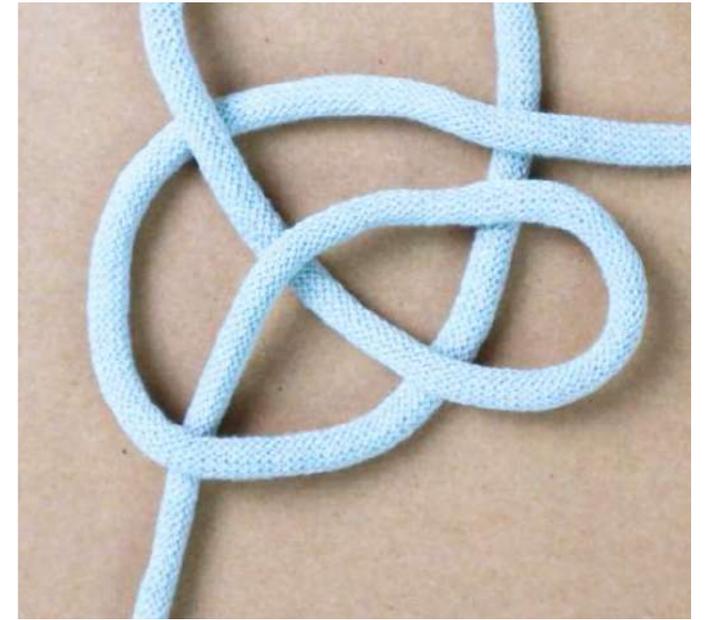
This knot looks really nice in a plant hanger or for a bracelet. It's easier to make than it looks!



Twist the left cord up a half turn to make a loop laying over the right cord.



Bring the right cord up and cross it over the left cord.



Bring the end of the right cord under the top of the left cord and over the top of the right cord.



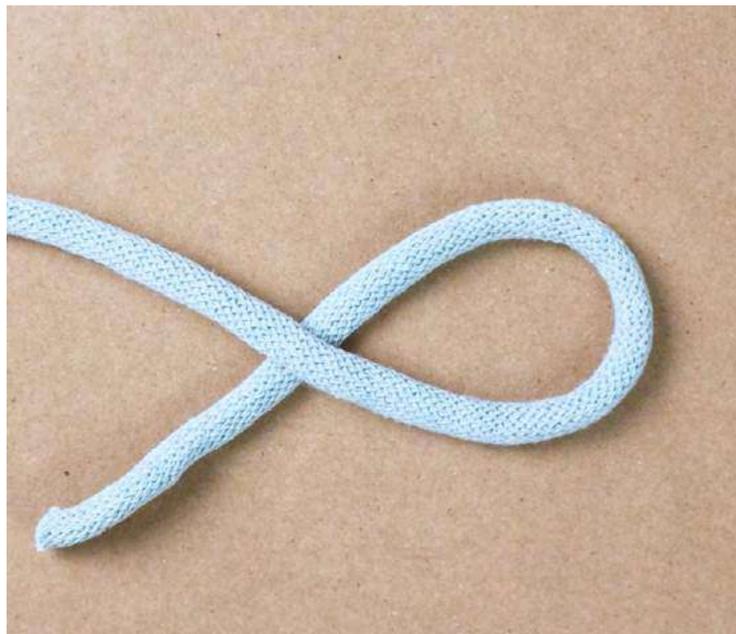
Bring the end of the right cord over the top of the loop and under the section of the right cord that is under the loop.



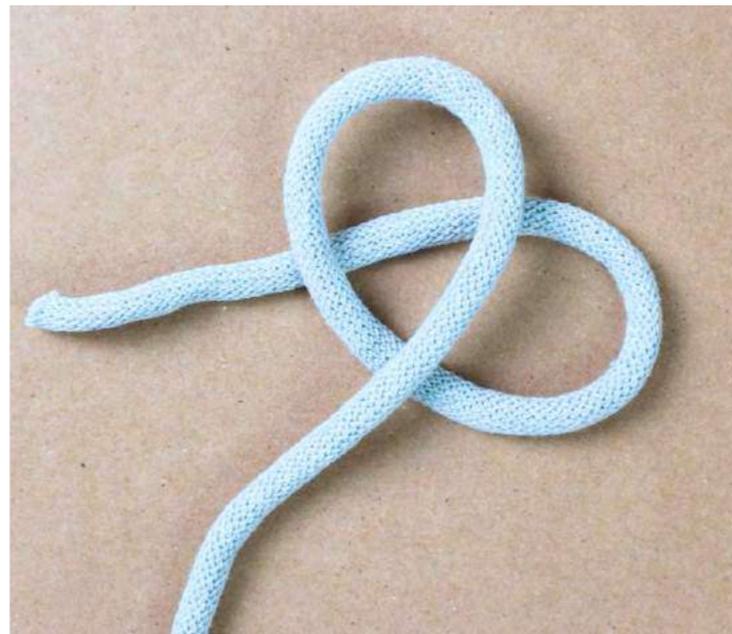
Pull the ends to tighten the knot.

54 Double Coin Knot

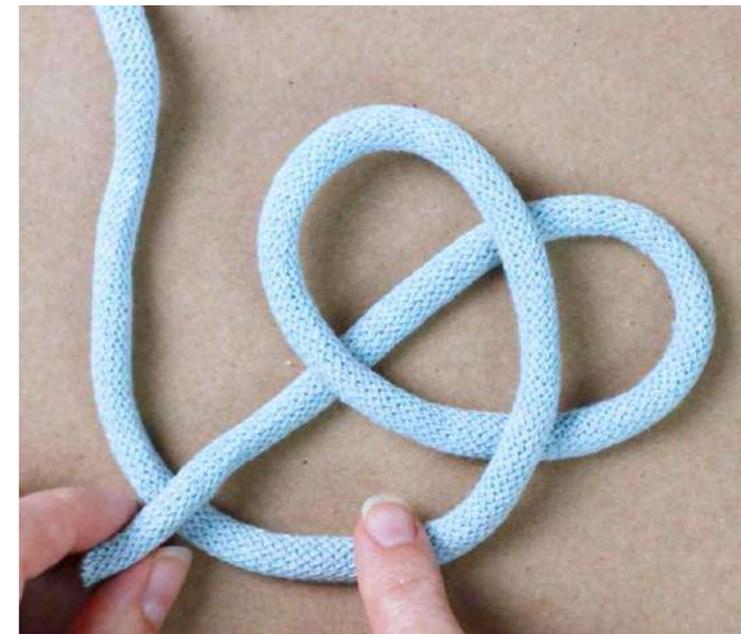
This is similar to the Josephine knot, but it's made with one cord instead of two.



Make a loop with the short end on the bottom and the long end on the top.



Wrap the long end around clockwise to make another loop at the top.



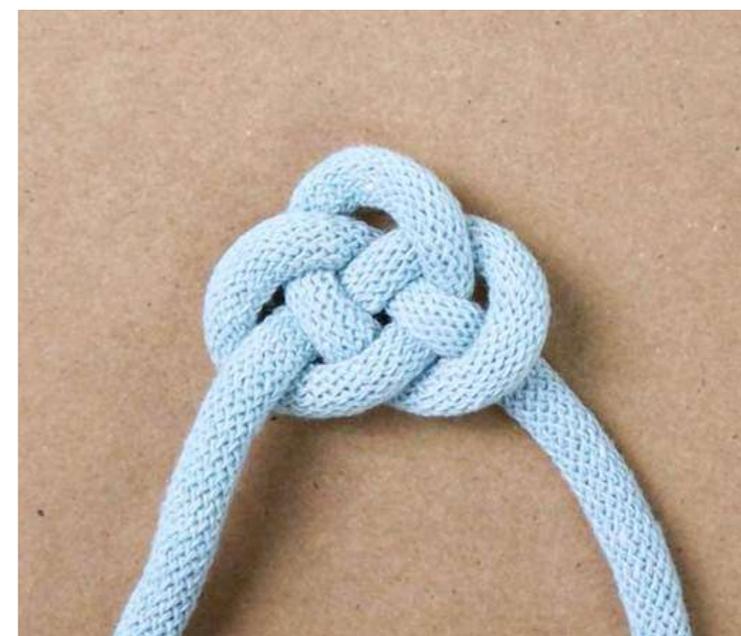
Bring the long end under the short end. Make sure to keep the loops in place.



Bring the long around and over, under, then over through the center loop.

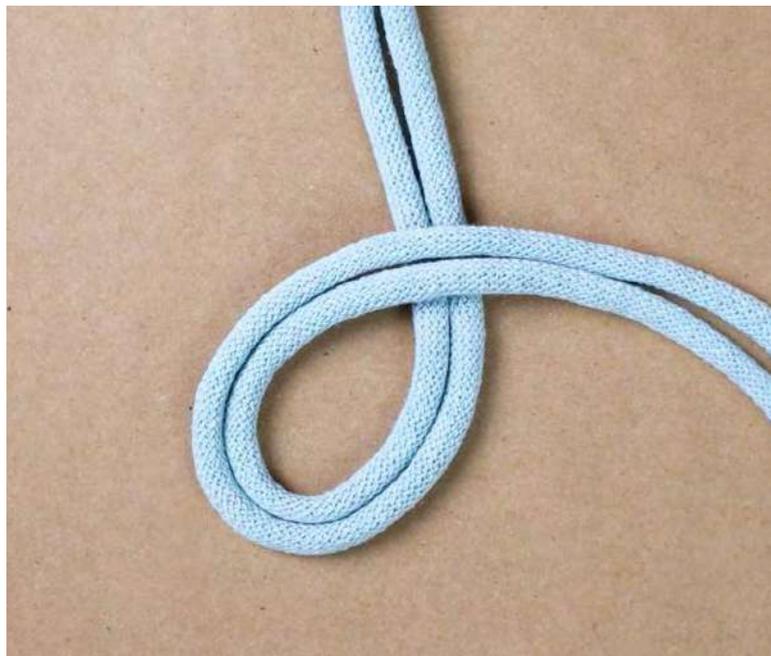


Now bring the end under the far right loop. Tighten the knot.



55 Figure Eight Knot

This knot is also useful for finishing ends when you don't want fringe, or for just adding a bit of visual interest to your piece. With one piece of cord it's pretty basic, but it looks striking when you make it with multiple cords. I've also seen this called the Sailor's knot.



Take the bottom of the cord and wrap it up and around clockwise to form a loop.



Bring the end of the cord around and behind the top of the cord.



Bring the end of the cord down through the bottom loop and pull the ends to secure.

56 Leaf Knot

This is a fun knot to make a leaf shape at the end of your cord.



Take the bottom of the cord and wrap it up and around clockwise to form a loop.



Bring the end through the loop from behind, over and around the left side of the loop.



Bring the end back through the loop and this time wrap it around and behind on the right side.



Repeat those steps until the leaf knot is the length that you want.

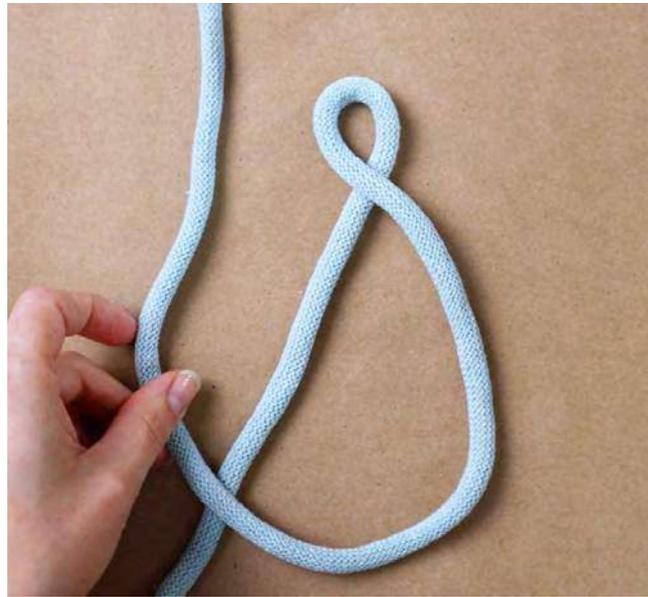


Pull the top of the cord to tighten up the knot.



57 Pipa Knot

The pipa knot is a really cool looking decorative knot. It looks really nice as an earring design or for a necklace!



Hold the end of your cord on the bottom left, make a small loop at the top, and then bring the long end down and around to form a large loop at the bottom. It'll look like a backward & symbol.



Bring the long end around the small loop from right to left, then wrap it down and around the large loop. You'll be making a figure eight.



Here's how it will look at this point.



Repeat that again, wrapping under the first wrap at the top, and inside the first wrap at the bottom.

Pipa Knot



Here's how it will look after the second wraps.



Continue wrapping until there's only a small loop left in the center.



After wrapping the top one last time, bring the end of the cord through the center hole.



58 Cross Knot

The cross knot is a fun alternative to the square knot. You can make a cross knot mesh like the one shown in the last photo.



Cross the left cord in front of the right cord in a 4 shape.



Cross that same cord behind the right cord, making a loop on the right.



Cross the same cord one more time to the right, going behind the right cord.



Bring the end of the right cord up and through the top loop from behind.



Now bring that same cord through the bottom left loop from front to back.



Here's how it will look. Pull the ends of the cord to tighten the knot.



A finished cross knot.



You can make an alternating cross knot mesh.

59 | Rose Knot

The rose knot is a simple decorative knot that looks really pretty in wall hangings where you want to add some extra texture.



Hold the end of the cord in your left hand and the middle of the cord with your right hand.



Twist the cord clockwise a bunch of times until you can't twist it anymore.



Wrap the twisted cord around itself clockwise, while holding the loop.



Bring the end of the cord down through the loop and pull to tighten.



60 Constrictor Knot

The constrictor knot is my favorite way to attach a hanging cord to a wall hanging. You'll need to make your hanging cord long enough to go across your dowel, plus add enough extra to wrap around the dowel twice on each side, plus some extra just in case.



Turn your wall hanging upside down and backwards, and grab the left side of your hanging cord.



Loop the hanging cord over the dowel. The short side is going down to the right.



Bring the short side up and across to the left, making an X.



Bring the cord behind the dowel, and around the long piece of cord from left to right.



Slide the short piece of cord up under the X, and pull both ends to tighten.



The first side is done, now let's move to the other side.

Constrictor Knot - Continued



Pull the cord over to the right side, and bring the short end over the dowel.



Wrap the end up and around, and cross over to make an X.



Bring the cord down behind the dowel, and bring it around the left of the hanging cord.



Thread the end up under the X. Now you can trim the ends and glue the excess cord to the back so it stays secure.



Here's an example of this type of hanging cord in action. It blends right in with the lark's head knots.

Links to Knot Videos

A picture is worth a thousand words, but sometimes a video is just easier. If you're struggling with any of these knots, I have videos of them on my YouTube channel that you can watch! Here's a list of all of them.

11 Basic Macrame Knots: <https://youtu.be/E6HNwszEN4s>

- Lark's head
- Cow hitch
- Square knot
- Berry knot
- Barrel knot
- Vertical lark's head knot
- Half knot spiral
- Half hitch spiral
- Vertical double half hitch
- Alternating square knots
- Overhand knot

3 Unique Mounting Knots: <https://youtu.be/53ZcVeNeld0>

- Reinforced Lark's Head
- Slingstone Hitch
- Cat's Paw

Wrapping Knot: <https://youtu.be/91-FzOGhAr4>

Double Half Hitch Knot: <https://youtu.be/4BAaIZzLGvE>

Diagonal Double Half Hitch Knot: https://youtu.be/C1N_n9scRcA

Reverse Double Half Hitch Knot: <https://youtu.be/wNQei5QjRBA>

Switch Square Knot: <https://youtu.be/D2Q28VEz5tA>

4 Square Knot Patterns: <https://youtu.be/M680kbGUJAK>

5 Half Hitch Knot Patterns: https://youtu.be/9r_PDfDmY2M

5 Vertical Lark's Head Knot Patterns: <https://youtu.be/PQVZqm8JVMc>

4 Endless Falls Knot Patterns: <https://youtu.be/sNKm0tplYOo>

Crown Knot: <https://youtu.be/vo-RzQg0uM4>

Cross Knot: https://youtu.be/IIUw-XEp_rU

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4 Intermediate Macrame Knots: <https://youtu.be/S5IfO8MUtMw>

- Josephine Knot
- Double Coin Knot (Single strand Josephine)
- Figure 8 Knot (Sailor's Knot)
- Pipa Knot

Constrictor Knot: <https://youtu.be/3dmDgRm4mMY>

Thank you!