

Knotting Project:

Pendant with Snake Knot Bail and Button Knot Closure

(Instructions for knots are shown on the following pages.)

Materials:



36" of 2mm satin or leather cord (leather is shown here. It is a little more difficult to knot than the satin).

Donut pendant or pendant with big enough hole for cord

1. Thread the cord through the opening in the pendant. Follow the instructions for the Snake Knot to work three rows. (In the pictures in the Snake Knot instructions, the pendant would be upside down and you would work the knot down from there).

2. At one end of the cord, tie a Button Knot. Measure the length of the necklace and move the knot, if necessary. Clip the end, singe in a flame if you are using nylon cord, and put a drop of Super Glue or GS Hypo Cement in the middle of the knot.

3. Fold over the end of the cord and tie an overhand knot, making sure it is even with the button knot. Clip the end and secure with a drop of glue.

Button Knot

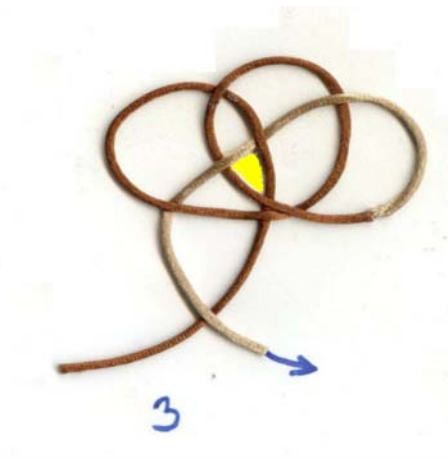
1. Make a counter-clockwise loop in the cord and hold the bottom of the loop with your left thumb and forefinger. The left end of the cord will be the fixed end and the end on the right (with the arrow) will be the moving end.



2. (The color change shows where the previous step stops and the next step starts). Make another counter-clockwise loop over the top of the first loop.



3. Take the end down through the loop on the right, up through the middle, and down through the left loop. Notice the little center area (highlighted). This will be important later. Take the end across the top of the fixed end.





4. Take the end down through the right loop, under 2 cords and up through the center area (highlighted in the previous picture).



5. Gently and slowly pull the ends of the cord apart. You should see the shape of the knot beginning to form.



6. Pull the knot until it begins to tighten. There will be 1 loop or 2 sticking out.

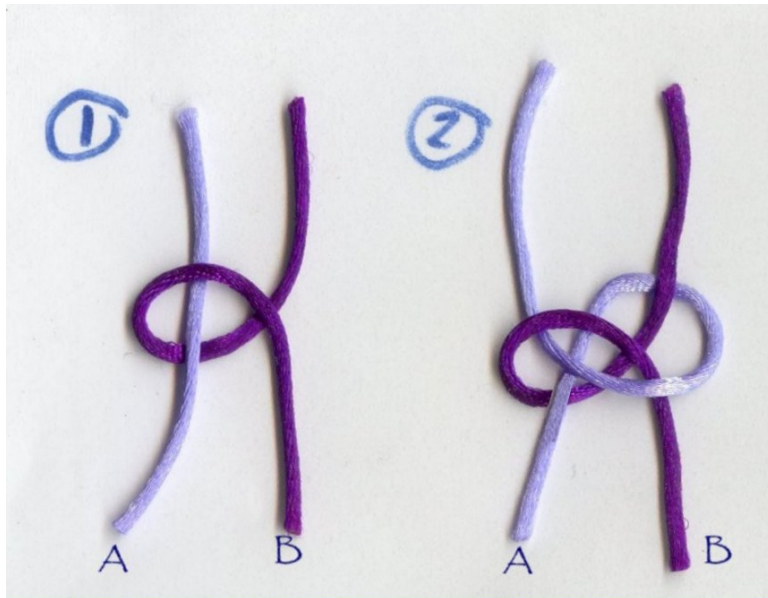
7. Turn the knot around and tighten the loops until the loops are snug and the knot is tight.



To move the knot, hold the cord that is on the side that you want to move the knot toward, and push the cord into the knot. Observe which loop is linked to the cord that you pushed. Pull that loop until the knot is in the position that you want it. Turn the knot and tighten all the loops until the knot is snug. Always keep turning in the same direction. You will tighten through 8 loops.

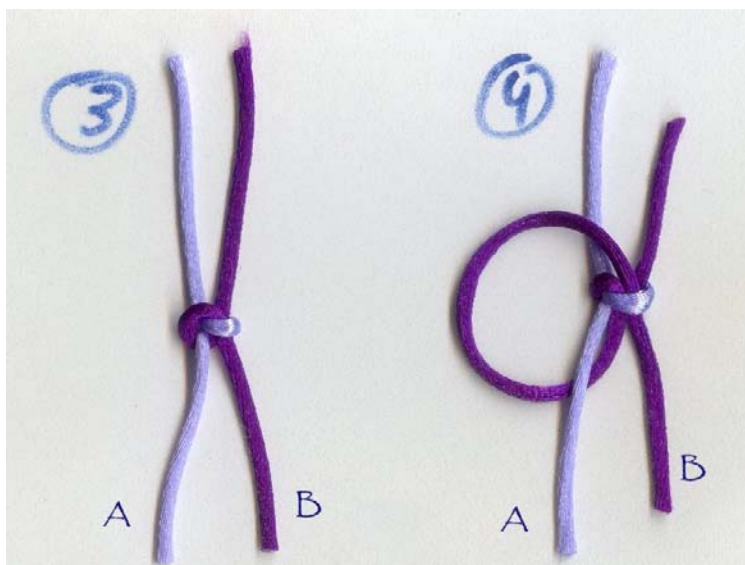
Snake Knot

This knot must be tied with two cords or two ends of one cord. In these diagrams, the fixed ends of the cords are at the top.



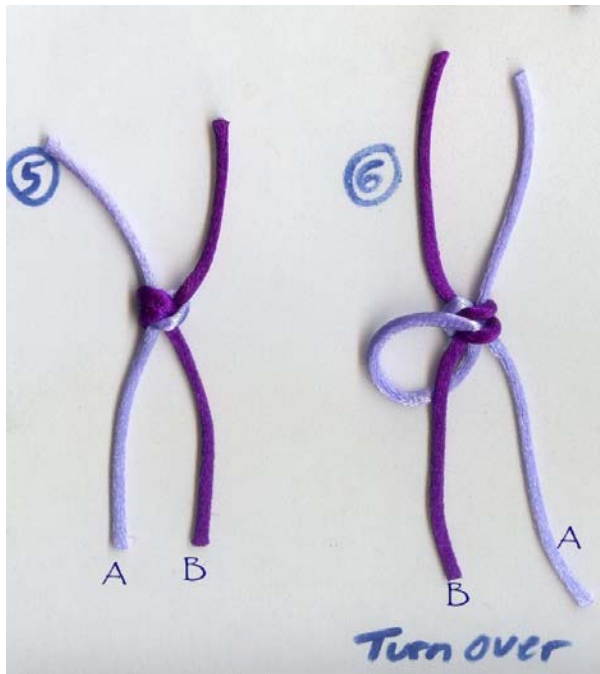
1. With cord **B**, make a loop around cord **A**, going under and then around over the top and down.

2. Loop cord **A** around cord **B**, and bring it down under itself, through the cord **B** loop.



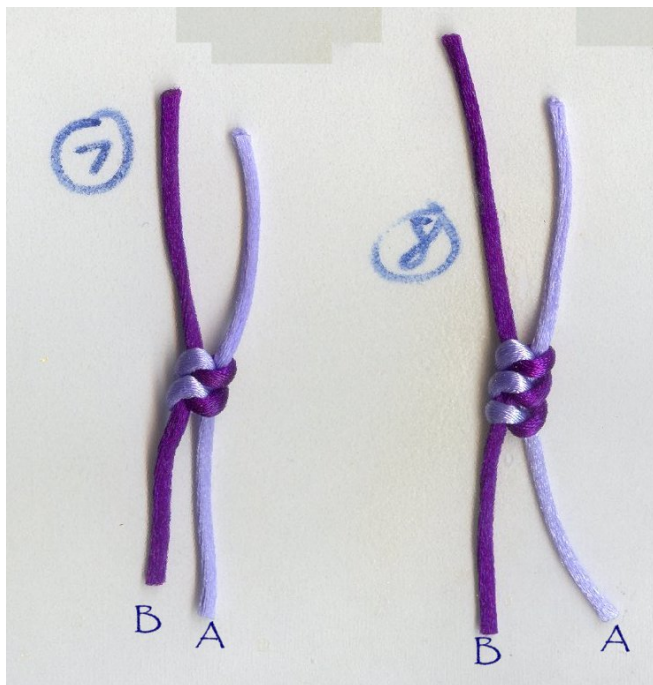
3. Tighten both loops.

4. Bring cord **B** under cord **A**, around the top of the knot, and through the cord **A** loop. You will have to loosen the cord **A** loop slightly.



5. Tighten the cord **B** loop. You will now have two loops from cord **B** going into the knot.

6. Turn your work over so that cord **A** is now on the right. Bring cord **A** under cord **B**, around and down through the second cord **B** loop.



7. Tighten the knot.

8. Continue turning your work over and bringing the cord on the right under the cord on the left, around and down through the bottom loop.

To finish, glue or singe the end, thread one of the cords onto a needle with a large eye and weave it into the center of the knots.