



Macramé
Bag

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V.1/BW/DS

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Easy



Recommended Yarn

SIZE

Width: approx. 24 cm

Length: approx. 48 cm (without handles and frings)

MATERIALS

Schachenmayr Ma-Ma-Makramé, 250 g ball

Approx. 250 g ≈ 190 m

Col. 00002 (natural) 1 ball

The amount of yarn needed can vary from person to person.

2 metal rings, diameter approx. 15 cm

BASIC TECHNIQUES MACRAMÉ

Basic terminology:

The cords used in macramé are divided into two categories:
Filler cord: The passive cord that holds the knots and is usually positioned in the middle.

Working cord: The active cord with which you tie the knots.
When using thin cords, the working cords can be made up of multiple cords.

To avoid terminological confusion, these instructions use the terms filler strand and working strand.

Larks head knot:

This knot is used to attach the working and filler strands to a piece of cord, a rod or a ring.

See step-by-step photo tutorial:

Larks head knot steps 1 to 3.

Square knot:

For a square knot, you need 2 working strands (= **A** and **D**) and 2 filler strands (= **B/C**).

The outer working strands **A** and **D** are always knotted around the inner filler strands **B/C**.

Square knot band

Work the two basic knots alternating between basic knot 1 (right to left) and basic knot 2 (left to right) to create a straight band.

Siehe dazu Fotolehrgang:

Square knot – Square knot band steps 1 to 7.

Staggered square knot

If the square knots in every R are tied in a staggered pattern, you create a net.

R 1: Starting with the first four cords, tie a square knot.

R 2: Leave the first two cords unknotted, then tie ★ the next 4 cords into a square knot, repeat from ★ and leave the last two cords unknotted.

Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows

Gathering knot:

A gathering knot fastens the filler strands and the working strands at the beginning and the end of the work.

Here, the filler strands and the working strands are attached to a ring.

See step-by-step photo tutorial:

Gathering knot steps 1 to 4.

INSTRUCTIONS

Preparation

First cut the cords:

2 cords, each 3,5 m long

60 cords, each 3 m long

15 cords, each 20 cm long

Handles

Secure the end of a 3.5 m long cord to a metal ring with a simple knot. Then wrap the yarn tightly around the ring until it is fully covered. Tie the beginning and the end of the cord together. Then cut both ends.

Do the same with the second handle.

Attaching to the handles

1st half of bag: Organise 30 three-metre long cords into pairs (= 15 strands) and tie each strand to one of the two handles with a larks head knot making sure they are very close together. Make sure that the knots are covered by the wrapping on the handles = 15 strands with 4 cords each.

2nd half of bag: Work the same way as the first half.

(Picture 1)



Tying the bag

1st half of bag: With the 15 strands of 4 cords, work 11 rows of staggered square knots making sure that the rows are very close together. Finish with a 1st row.

(Picture 1)

2nd half of bag: Work the same way as the first half.

Then join both halves as follows: first place both rings on top of each other wrong sides together. In the following 12 rows, tie square knots using 2 cords from one half of the bag with 2 cords from the other half of the bag on both sides = 30 square knots in total. Then work another 6 rows of staggered square knots making sure the rows are very close together = 18 rows. (Picture 2 and 3):

For the mid-section, work 8 rows of staggered square knots, but leave 3 cm between the last and the following rows.

(Picture 4)

Then work another 17 rows of staggered square knots making sure the rows are very close together again.

Finish with a 1st row.

(Picture 5)

Bottom edge

To close the bottom of the bag, place the work flat with the handles on top of each other. The 15 knots will be on top of each other at the bottom.

Smooth all cords down flat.

Start on the right side and take the 4 cords of the first knot on the front of the bag and the 4 cords of the first knot on the back of the bag.

Tie these 8 cords with a gathering knot using a 20 cm long piece of yarn.

Work a total of 15 gathering knots.

Cut all the cords to 15 cm long.

(Picture 6)

ABBREVIATIONS

R = row(s)



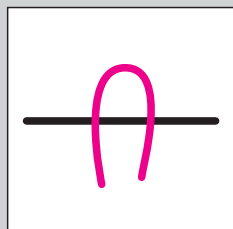


LARKS HEAD KNOT

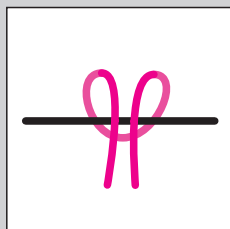
Step 1: Fold one strand (consisting of a filler strand and a working strand) in half and place the loop on top of a cord, a rod or a ring.

Step 2: Fold the loop down the back

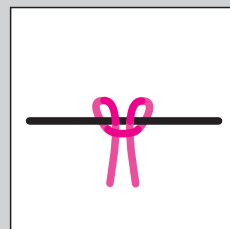
Step 3: Pull the ends of the strand through the loop and pull tightly.



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3

GATHERING KNOT

Step 1: The filler cords/strands should be arranged as parallel as possible in a bundle.

Step 2: Take a short cord (= wrapping cord) and create a loop approx. 5 cm long. Place the loop on top of the cord bundle.

Wrap the long end of the wrapping cord around the bundle of threads and the cord's own loop once and pull tightly.

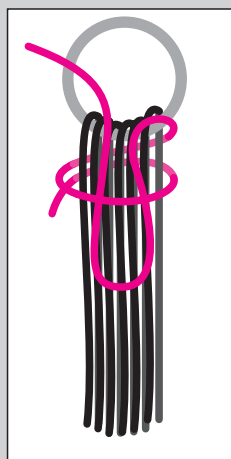
Step 3: Then continue to wrap the wrapping cord from top to bottom until the desired length of the gathering knot is achieved. Make sure that the wraps are close together.

To secure the wrapping cord, bring the end of it through its loop.

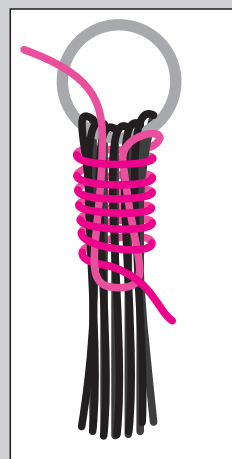
Step 4: Carefully tug on the beginning and the end of the wrapping cord until the loop disappears under the wraps. Cut the end of the wrapping cord.



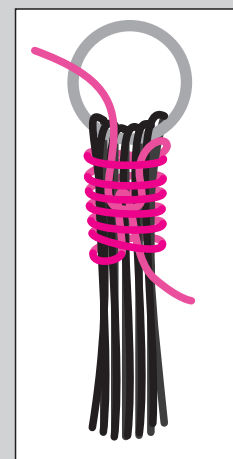
Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



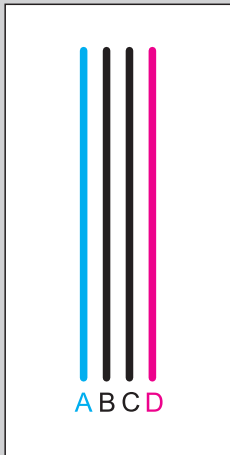
Step 4



How to



SQUARE KNOT – SQUARE KNOT BAND



Step 1

Step 1: The 4 filler and working strands are arranged parallel, the working strands **A** and **D** are on the outside and the filler strands **B/C** are in the middle.

Step 2: Place **D** from right to left over **B/C** and under **A**.

Step 3: Bring **A** from left to right under **B/C**.

Step 4: Pull **A** from the back to the front through the loop created by **D**.

Step 5: Carefully pull **A** and **D** tightly.

The first basic knot is finished = 1 half square knot.

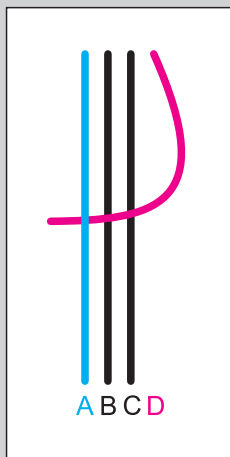
Step 6: Place **D** from left to right over **B/C** and under **A**.

Step 7: Bring **A** from right to left under **B/C**.

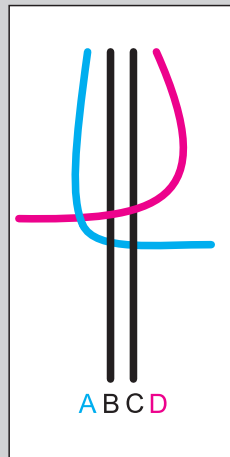
Pull **A** from the back to the front through the loop created by **D**.

Carefully pull **A** and **D** tightly.

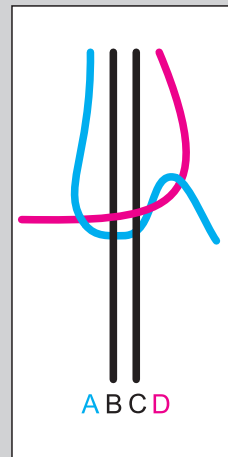
The second basic knot is finished = 1 square knot.



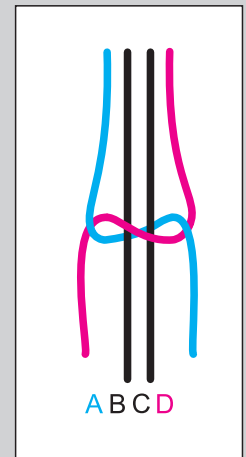
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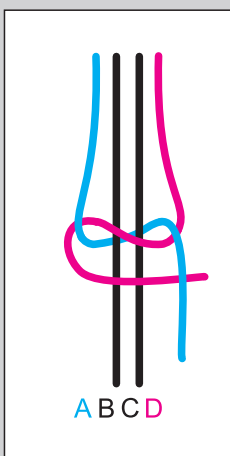
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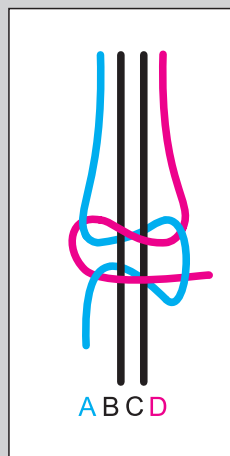
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Step 5



Step 6



Step 7