

Sand Pail Hanging Storage

Hang your outdoor toys and sports gear with this converted sand pail basket.
The perfect project for recycling sand buckets with broken handles.

Materials:

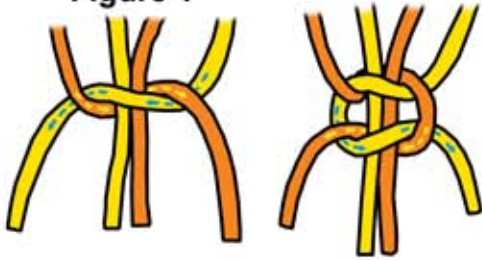
- One 1.5"-2" metal ring
- One large plastic sand pail (ours has an 8 inch opening and is about 9 inches tall)
- Eight 5 yard (15 foot) strands of 4mm Bonnie Braid (pick two contrasting colors)
- Two 5 foot strands of 4mm Bonnie Braid (any color)
- One 18 inch strand of 4mm Bonnie Braid (any color)
- Rubber Band (optional)

Instructions:

1. Center the two 5 foot strands of 4mm Bonnie Braid onto the metal ring. You may want to tie one Square Knot with all four ends, to prevent the strands from slipping (Figure 1).
2. Working with one of the strands, center one of the long strands of cord behind one of the hanging strands and tie one Half Knot (Figure 2).
3. Center a new strand (pick a contrasting color) behind the hanging strand, and form one Half Knot directly below the first knot (Figure 3).
4. Make another Half Knot using the first color and continue making Half Knots and alternating the matched colors until the strand is about 18-20 inches long (Figure 4).
5. Repeat steps 2 and 4 with the remaining strands until you have 4 twisty strands (be sure the strands are all the same length).
6. Cut the middle strand just below the last Half Knot (Figure 5) and then form a Square Knot with the 4 remaining ends on each strand (Figure 6).
7. Drop down about 4 inches and tie a row of Square Knots with four strands from 2 adjacent twist lengths (Figure 7). Set the pail into the middle and make adjustments to the knots if you need to. The Square Knots should sit just below the brim of the pail. (You may need to hang your project at this point.)
8. Drop down another 3-4 inches and form another row of Square Knots using 2 adjacent cord groups. Repeat this knotting procedure dropping down a few inches each time to form a net which can fit around the sand pail (Figure 8).
9. When you get to the bottom, gather all the remaining ends under the bucket (use a rubber band to hold everything together if you need,) and use the 18" strand of cord to tie a series of Half Knots (Figure 9). Keep tying until it becomes too difficult to form more knots. Cut or slip the rubber band off the end (if you used one).

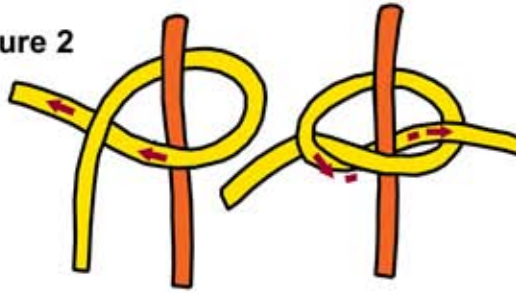


Figure 1



Square Knot

Figure 2



Half Knot

Figure 3

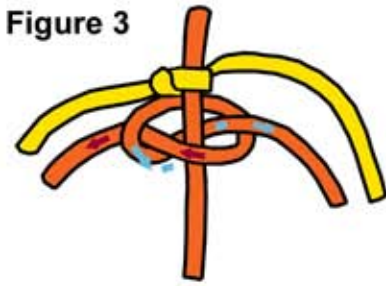


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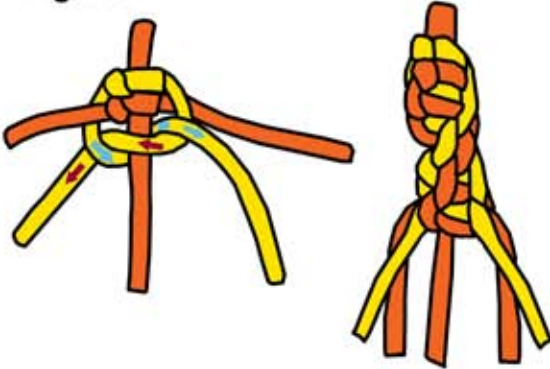


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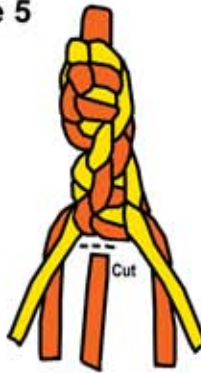


Figure 6



Figure 7

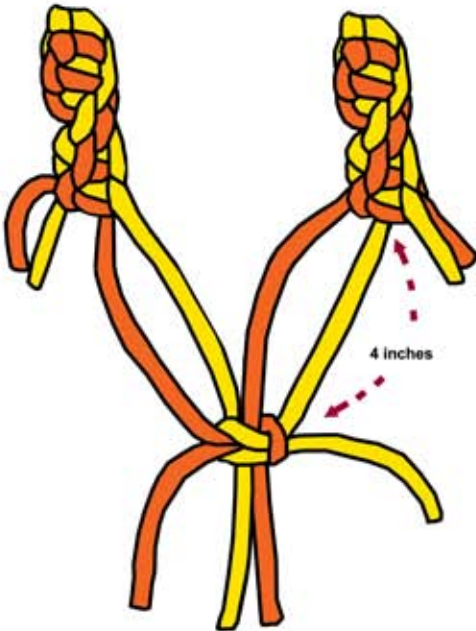


Figure 8



Figure 9

