

Macramé Hanging Planter

Supplies:

- 80 feet of cord (twine, paracord, clothesline or t-shirt yard are all great options for this project)
- 1 1/2" or 2" metal ring
- Ruler, tape, and a scissors

Step 1: Measure and Cut the Cord

Cut eight cords measuring 10 feet each. (Note: To make a larger planter, use longer cords, cut to 12-15 foot lengths. You may need to experiment and practice to get your planter design just right.)

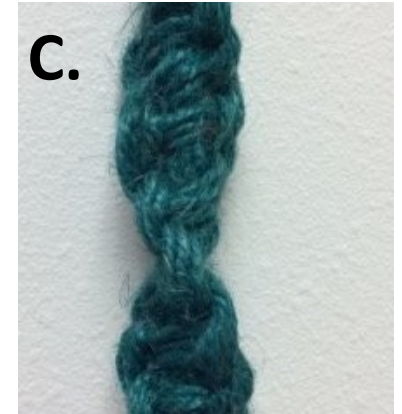
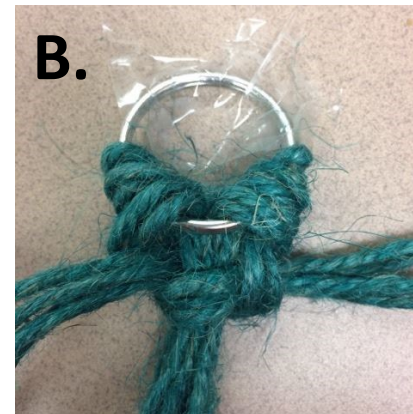
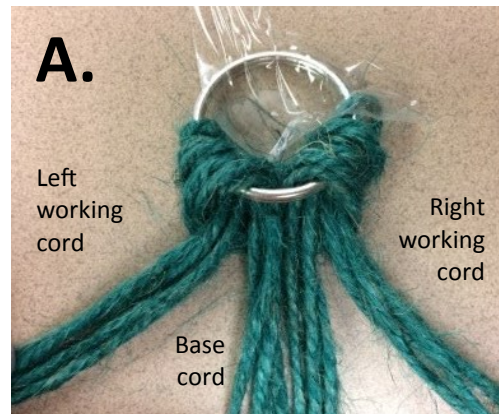
Step 2: Group Cords & Tie Larks Head Knot

Group the eight cords so the ends align. Hold the ends together, fold the bunch in half to form a collection of loops, and pass the loops through a metal ring. Pull the long ends through the loops and pull the ends tight to form a lark's head knot. Tape the metal ring onto a work surface to hold it as you work.



Step 3: Half-Knot Twist

Start by weaving a length of Half-Square Knots— Divide the 16 cords so that you have 4 cords grouped together as a left working-cord, 4 cords grouped as a right working-cord, and 8 cords in the middle as your base cord to tie onto **(A)**. Using the left and right working cords, follow the Basic Macramé Knots instruction sheet to tie a half-knot **(B)**. Continue for a total of 12 half-knots. This will measure approximately 6" **(C)**.

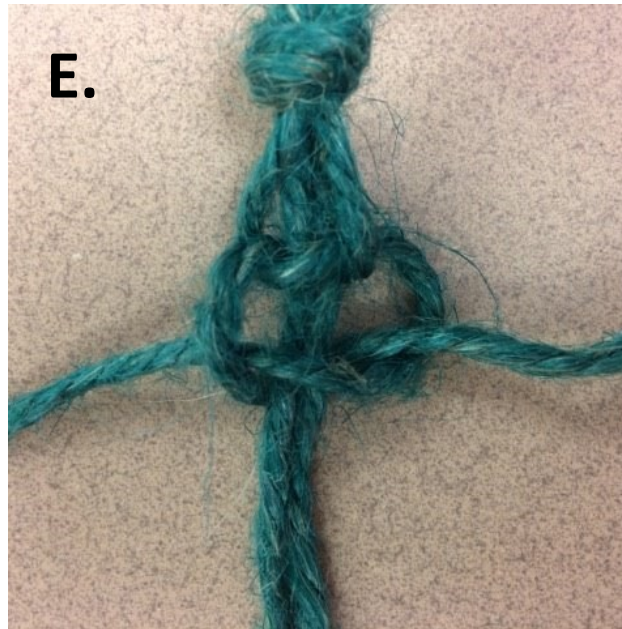
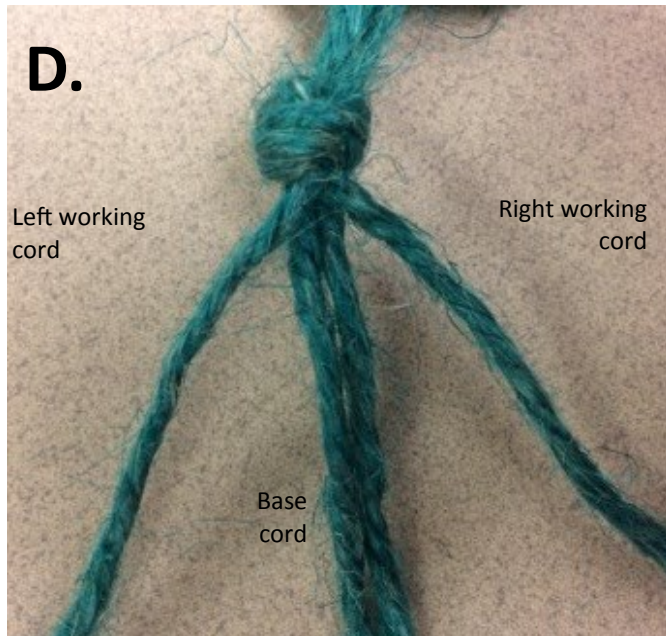


Step 4: Divide the Cord

Divide the 16 cords into four groups of four cords, making sure that each group contain two long pieces and two shorter pieces. The longer pieces will become your working cords in step 5. Wind up and separately secure the ends of three of the groups with tape. This will keep them out of the way as you work on knotting one group at a time.

Step 5: Square-Knot Sinnet

Taking the unsecured group of cord, measure 6' down from the last knot. Tie an overhand knot. (See Basic Macramé Knot instruction sheet.) Using the two longest pieces of cord as your left and right working-cords (**D**), weave a length of six Square Knots (**E**) following the Basic Macramé Knots instruction sheet to tie a square-knot. Repeat Step 5 for the three remaining groups of cord (**F**).



Step 6: Forming the Basket

Row One—Create four new cord groups—Lay two cord groups side-by-side. Join two cords from each group together to form a new group. Measure 4-6" down the group and tie group together with an Overhand Knot (see Basic Macramé Knots). Repeat with the remaining six pairs of cord. Make sure that the yarn does not cross over each other. They should be joined in a circle pater when all four knots are complete.

Row Two—Again divide the cords into four new groups. Measure 4' from last knot and tie another Overhand Knot. Repeat around the circle until you have a second row of knots that alternates the strings with the first row.

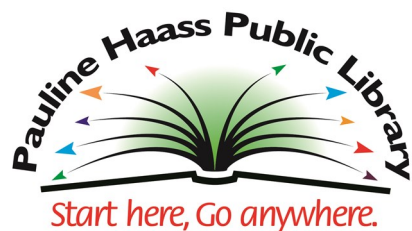
*to accommodate a larger pot, this would be the section that you would continue to add rows, spaced 4-6" apart, before continuing on to the final row (Row 3 in these instructions).

Row Three—Again divide the cords into four new groups. Measure 2" from the last knot and tie an Overhand Knot to join. Repeat with remaining groups.

Step 7: Completing the Hanging Planter

Holding all 16 cords together, measure 2" and bind together with one final Overhand Knot. Trim the lengths of cord at the bottom so that they are all the same length.

Open up the space near the top of the basket and place your planter inside.



Instructions adapted from:

- ♦ www.hgtv.com/design/make-and-celebrate/handmade/how-to-make-an-easy-macrame-plant-hanger
- ♦ <http://theslowpoke.com/macrame-plant-hanger/#more-3082>
- ♦ <https://crafts.tutsplus.com/tutorials/make-a-stunning-macrame-hanging-vase--craft-471>