

LEINIKKI MACRAME RUG

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Finished size 63 x 70cm + fringes

Yarn 1.6kg of Paulina Chunky Twine in Linen beige (73) (80% recycled cotton, 20% polyester, 1kg = 180-190m)

Other supplies a hollow curtain rod (aluminium)

Lark's head knot (pic 1): Fold a length in half. Take the fold around the rod from front to back, take the open ends through the loop, tighten the knot around the rod.

Double Half Hitch Knot = DHHK (pic 2): Work 2 half hitch knots around a horizontal filler cord from left to right: Keep the filler cord horizontally in front of the working cords with your right hand, *take the left working cord in your hand and take it from front to back around the filler cord, then take it back down to the front of the now formed loop, tighten the knot around the filler cord by pulling the working cord towards the lower left corner*, repeat *-* once more with the same working cord. Tighten the knots next to each other.

Square knot = SK: Use 4 cords to make the knot in 2 stages. **Stage 1 (pic 3):** Take the right edge cord over the 2 middle cords and under the left edge cord, then take the left edge cord under the middle cords and over the right edge cord, through the loop. Tighten by pulling the cords in the opposite directions.

Stage 2 (pic 4): Take the left edge cord over the middle cords and under the right edge cord, then take the right edge cord under the middle cords and over the left edge cord. Tighten. = 1 SK.

Instructions Cut 46 lengths of 5.7m and 4 lengths of 6m. Cut 2 filler cords of 1m. Mount the lengths onto the rod using lark's head knots, so that you mount 2 longer cords at each edge and the shorter cords in between those. Space evenly over the 63cm working space.

Row 1: Take a 1m filler cord and attach one end temporarily onto the rod, left of the working cords. Keep the filler cord horizontally on top the working cords, 4-5cm below the rod, and make 1 DHHK around the filler cord with each working cord.

Row 2: *Take 4 cords and make 1 SK*, repeat *-* till the end of row = 25 SKs.

Row 3: Skip 2 cords, *take the next 4 cords and make 1 SK*, repeat *-* 23 more times, skip 2 cords = 24 SKs.

Row 4: *Take 4 cords and make 3 SKs, skip 4 cords*, repeat *-* till the end of row and make 3 SKs with the last 4 cords. Make 1 SK with each group of skipped cords between the previous knots.

Row 5: Work as row 3.

Row 6: *Take 4 cords and make 3 SKs*, repeat *-* once more, *skip 4 cords, take the next 4 cords and make 3 SKs*, repeat *-* till the end of row and make 3 SKs with the last 4 cords. Now both edges have 2 strands of SKs next to each other. Make 1 SK with each group of skipped cords in between the previous knots.

Repeat rows 3-6 until there is 15-20cm left of the edge cords. Take the other filler cord and attach it onto the right edge of the rug. Work a row of DHHKs as on row 1.

Finishing Remove the rod. Push the DHHKs together so that the first and last row are as wide as the rest of the rug. Weave in the ends of the filler cords on the wrong side. Trim the fringe ends.

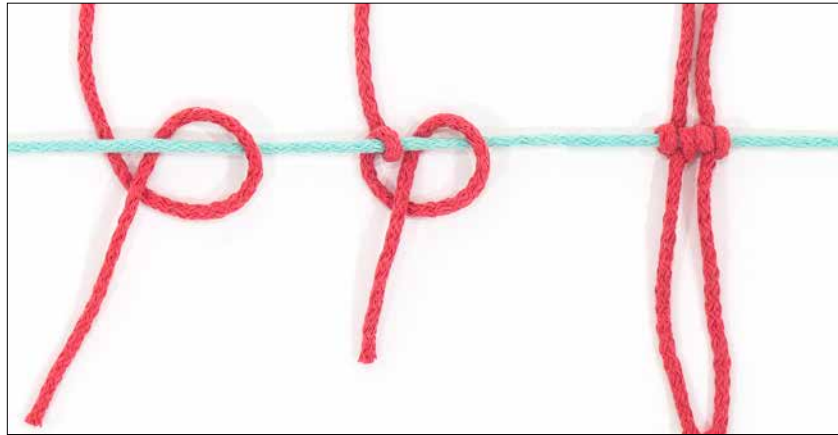


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Pic 1: lark's head knot



Pic 2: DHHK = double half hitch knot



Pic 3: SK = square knot, stage 1



Pic 4: SK = square knot, stage 2



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