

Pan Chang Knot



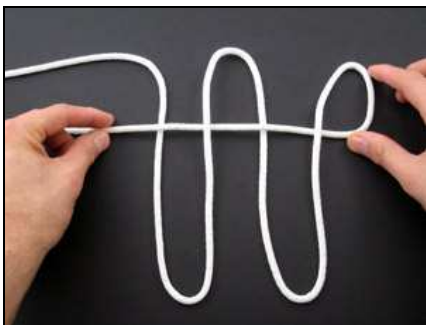
The Pan Chang Knot is a very satisfying knot to tie. Still you don't see many people tying it on account (at first glance) it looks wicked difficult. I'm not going to lie to you, the knot's a challenge. But my hope is that the following instructions will make it a whole lot easier to create.



1. Make a bight in the middle of the rope.



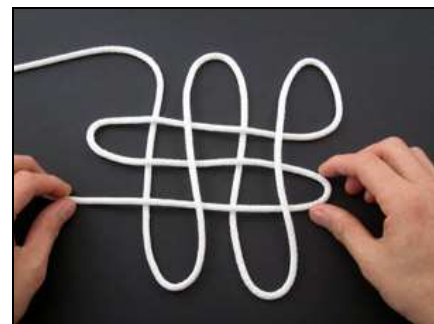
2. Drop two opposing bights beside the middle bight.



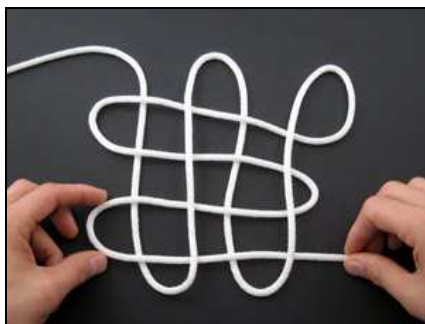
3. Hook the right running end down, then left under, over, under,...



4. ...and over the vertical ropes. Then slither the running end back...



5. ...and forth, following the same path as the line above,...



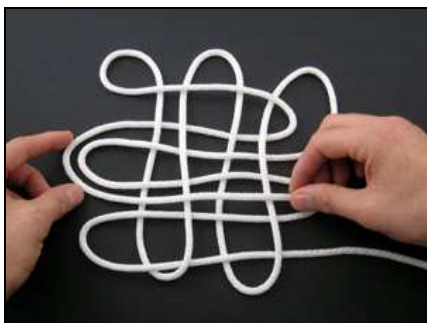
6. ...three times.



7. Now hook the left running end down, then right over all...



8. ...the vertical ropes. Hook the running end back under...



9. ...the vertical ropes, then curve it around the bight below...



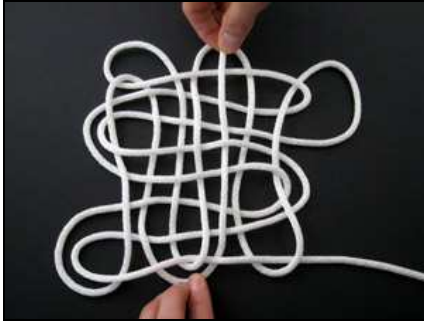
10. ...passing over and under the vertical ropes again.



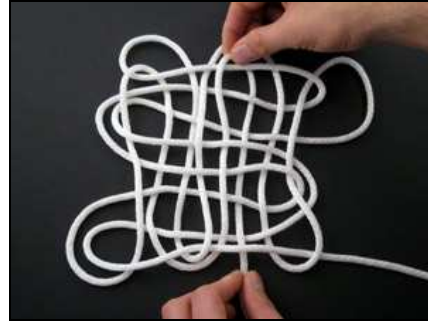
11. Hook the running end up under, over-over-over, under, and over-over-over the ropes above it.



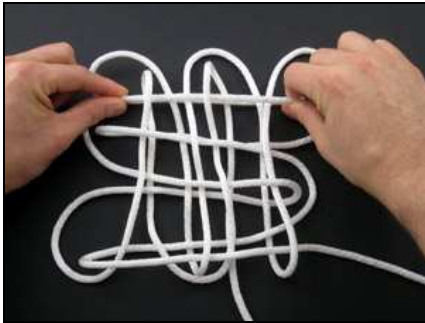
12. Hook the running end down under-under, over, under-under-under, over, and under the ropes below it.



13. Curve the running end around the bight to the right and repeat Step 11.



14. Curve the running end under the middle bight and repeat Step 12.



15. Rotate all the vertical and horizontal ropes 90 degrees, creating an upper and lower lattice of woven ropes.



16. Carefully adjust the knot, taking up slack in consideration of the fact that the Pan Chang Knot has an upper and lower section.



17. *Congratulations!* You've just finished tying, what is believed to be, one of the eight Buddhist Treasures.



18. **Special Note:** The Pan Chang Knot is effectively a compressed cylinder and is not meant to lay completely flat. Consider this fact when adjusting it.