

# Pet Leash



**Description:** This Pet Leash is easy to make, and is a suitable project for beginners. As you can see, this dog, **Clover**, is very pleased with the Macrame leash her best friend Tiph Worley made for her.

The handle is approximately 6 inches in size, and is made using the Buttonhole Clasp technique, which features Larks Head knots.

The length of the strap can be any size. This is one of my “flexible” Macrame patterns, where you get to choose which type of knot to use for the strap.

A [Pet Collar](#) is listed separately. You can make a matching set if you use the same type of decorative knot for both designs.

To determine the total amount of material you need to purchase, use the chart in Preparation. Add up the length for both cords.

## Supplies Needed:

- 4mm or 6mm cord material
- Project Board and pins
- Swivel Hook
- Glue

## Knots Used:

- [Square Knot](#)
- [Overhand Knot](#)
- [Buttonhole Clasp](#)

## Cutting Instructions

Choose the finished length you want the Pet Leash to be when it's finished (includes the handle)

Use the chart below to cut the two cords to the proper length.

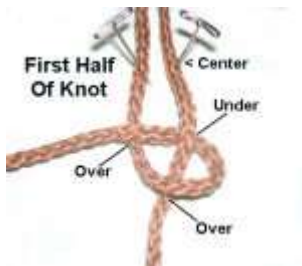
After cutting, prepare the ends with glue or tape. When using Paracord or nylon, melt the ends with a flame, and then apply tape.

<b>Length of Leash</b>	<b>Working Cord</b>	<b>Holding Cord</b>
30 inches	10 yards long	2.5 yards long
40 inches	13 yards long	3 yards long
50 inches	16 yards long	3.5 yards long
60 inches	20 yards long	4 yards long

## Buttonhole Clasp Handle

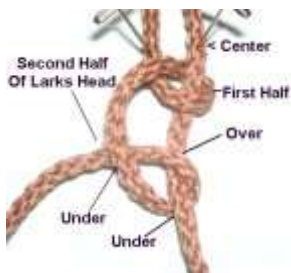
**Step 1:** Place the 2 cords in front of you, vertically, after locating and **matching** the centers. Secure them close to the center.

The working cord should be on the **left**. It will be used to tie the Larks Head knots onto the holding cord.



**Step 2:** Make the first half of a **Vertical Larks Head** knot by moving the **working** cord over and under the holding cord, to make a **counter-clockwise** loop.

As you pull it left, it passes **over** a portion of the **working** cord, to form the crossing point.



Tie the second half of the knot by passing the working cord **under** the holding cord, and then **over** it.

As you pull it left, it goes **under** a portion of the working cord to make the crossing point.

**Step 3:** Tie several more Vertical Larks Heads, working from the center towards one end. Stop when the **first half** of the handle measures **6 inches**.



**Step 4:** Turn the entire sennit around, and continue tying the knots on the other side of the center. The working cord will be on the right for the second half of the handle.

Stop when the handle for the Pet Leash is a **total** of 12 inches long.



**Step 5:** Fold the sennit by bringing the four cords together. Locate the **working cords** previously used.



Tie a **tight** [Square Knot](#) using the two working cords.



## The Strap

**Step 6:** You have 4 cords to work with, since you folded the two in half.

Choose the decorative knot you wish to use for the strap of the Pet Leash, by looking at the photos below.

You can also combine knots to form your own interesting designs. Beads can also be added as you progress.

**Make sure you have at least 6 inches of material to attach the hook at the end of the Pet Leash.**

Below are a few knots that are the most suitable for this project. Just click on the link or image below to go to the page indicated.



### [Vertical Larks Head](#)

This sennit matches the design of the handle, and is a great knot to use for the Pet Leash.



Alternating Half Hitch With Holding Cords

### Half Hitches with Holding Cords

Tie Alternating Half Hitches with the two working cords onto the other two, which are holding cords.



Square Knot Sennit

### Square Knot

Since you ended the handle with a Square knot, you can just continue on, and make the strap with the same knot.

## Other Decorative Knots

### Coyote Trail



Start at Step 1

### Jagged Ladder Bar



Start at Step 4

### River Bar



Start at Step 4

### Interlaced Plaits



Use Woven Plait

### Endless Falls

### Bush Bar

### Blaze Bar

### Mystical Chain



Start at Step 2



Start at Step 2



Start at Step 1



Start at Step 1



## Attaching the Hook



Pass two of the ends through the loop at the end of the hook.

The other two should pass **under** the loop.



Tie a tight **Overhand knot** with the four ends. As you tighten it, apply glue. Cut off the extra material when it's dry.

If you wish, you can direct the ends back towards the strap and slide them under the **back** of the knots to hold them in place.