

The Fisherman's Hitch

Two round turns and a brace of half-hitches — the go-to for making fast big hawsers.

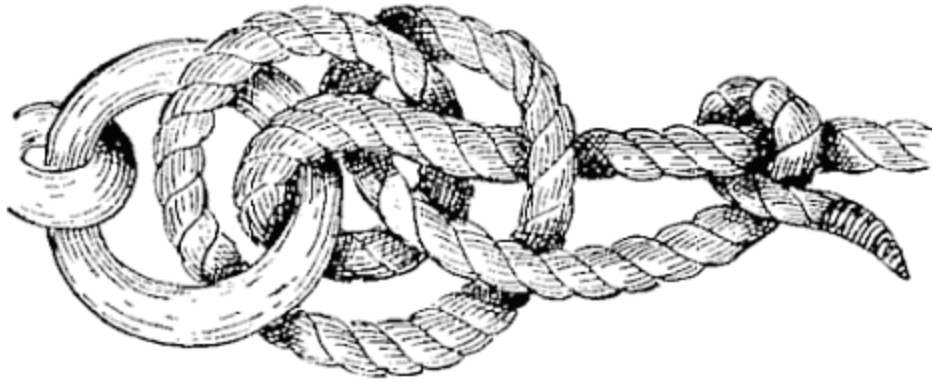


FIG. 53.—Fisherman's hitch.

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"Two round turns, a hitch under all of them, a hitch round the standing part — fast."

1

Take two round turns

With the end of the rope, take two full turns around the spar or through the ring.

2

Half-hitch under all the turns

Take a half-hitch around the standing part and pass it under all of those turns.

3

Half-hitch the standing part and seize

Take a second half-hitch around the standing part only, then, if desired, seize the end to the standing part.

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