

Loop Knot

A handful of quick fixed-loop tricks - handy in a pinch, though the bowline wins.



FIG. 62.—Loop knot.

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"Knot a bight and a loop appears - simple, but the bowline's still king."

1

Make a bight

Double the rope back on itself to form a bight where you want the loop.

2

Tie a knot in it

Work an overhand or figure-eight style knot using the doubled bight, just as the figures show.

3

Form the loop

The bight emerges as a fixed loop in the standing part of the rope.

4

Draw it taut

Tighten carefully. It serves in a pinch, though Verrill warns none of these is as safe or sure as the bowline.