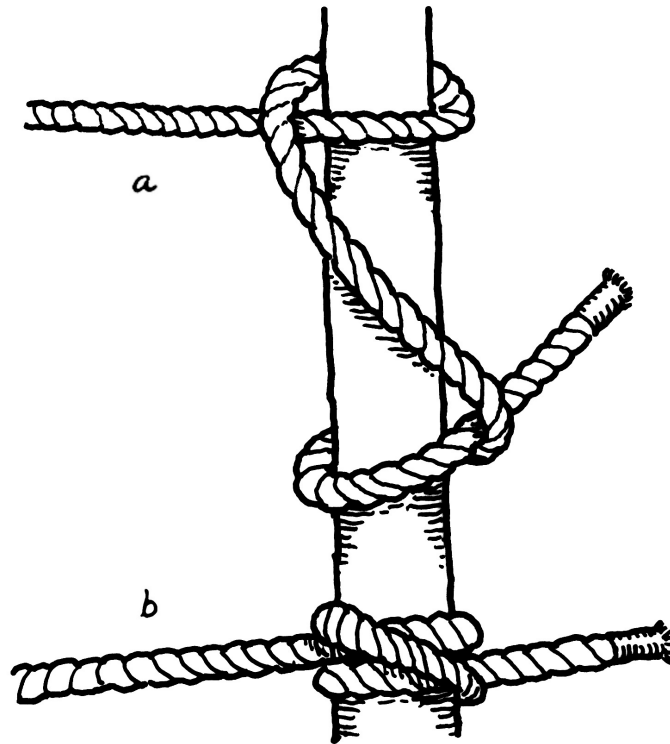


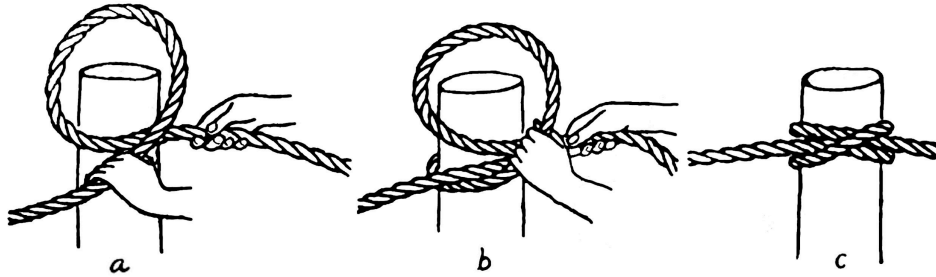
How To Tie a Clove Hitch



Use a clove hitch to tie a rope to a post or pole. A clove hitch is easy to tie, and easy to untie.

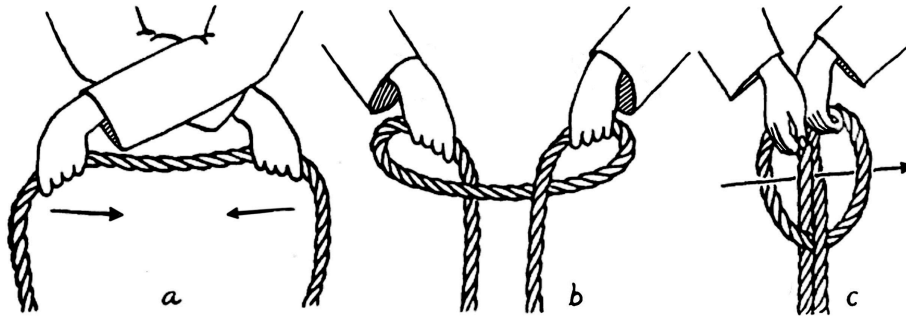
If you want an extra secure clove hitch, you can bring the free end of the rope around and tie it to where the other part of the rope comes into the hitch.

Two More Ways of Tying a Clove Hitch



Use this method when you want to tie a clove hitch in the middle of a rope.

Cross your arms, and grab the rope as shown (as shown at a in the drawing). Then uncross your arms, without twisting your hands (as shown at b). Overlap the two loops (as shown at c) to make the clove hitch, then slide it over the post or pole.



Use this method when something is pulling on the rope. For example, boaters could use this method to tie a boat to a dock.

With your left hand, hold the rope where it's being pulled, using your right hand to form a loop (as shown at a in the drawing). Then form another loop (as shown at b) to make the clove hitch (as shown at c).