

*Congratulations!*

on earning

Your

**BUSHMAN'S  
THONG**

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THIS LEAFLET WILL SHOW YOU  
HOW TO MAKE IT

## HOW TO CONSTRUCT THE BUSHMAN'S THONG

With these instructions you will find two leather thongs each about  $5\frac{1}{2}$  feet long. If you follow these instructions and diagrams carefully, your finished thong should have the appearance of the sketch on the envelope.

It might be a good idea to try the Turk's Head and the Boatswain's Plait with a piece of cord before embarking on the construction of the Thong.

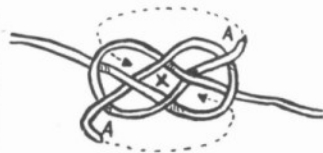
### ① HOW TO MAKE A TURK'S HEAD

FIRST MAKE A CARRICK BEND  
THUS:



(The ends at "A" should be about 4ins. long to enable the knot to be doubled.)

Next, follow the ends "A" round as indicated by the dotted lines. The letter "X" denotes the centre for second thong.



You now have a Turk's Head ready for doubling.

Double the knot by following round with ends "A" as shown by dotted lines.



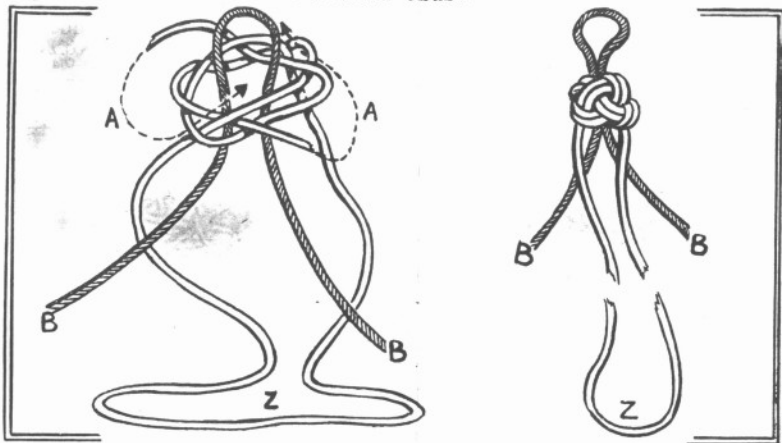
Cut any ends close leaving knot as below with a long loop.



Your Turk's Head is now complete.

## ② PREPARATION FOR THE PLAIT

Having made the Turk's Head in one thong, make a loop at the midway point of the second thong and push it up through the centre of the Turk's Head thus:



## ③ THE BOATSWAIN'S PLAIT

Using the working ends "B" with the long loop "Z" as the core, make a Boatswain's Plait of about 5 ins. in length.

This is really a series of Granny knots tied round a core. Your plait will form a natural spiral as you proceed.



Start the plait thus:

Pull tight and repeat.

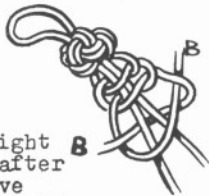
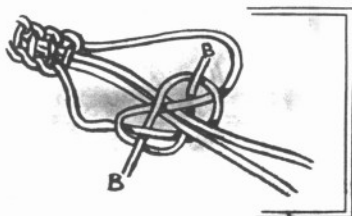
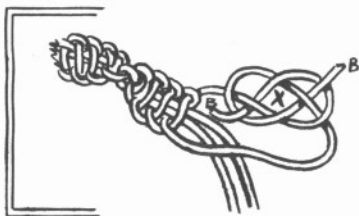


Diagram on right shows plait after two bends have been pulled tight and third being formed.

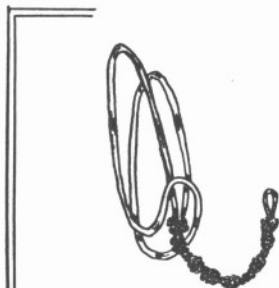
## ④ THE FINAL STAGE

After approximately 5 ins. of plaiting, finish off with a second Turk's Head in a similar manner as the first. As you will only have short ends to play with, you will not find the second Turk's Head quite so easy as the first.

Make your Carrick Bend and then thread the remainder of your loop through its centre at "X". Then finish off the Turk's Head (as insert) and cut off ends close.



## HOW TO WEAR YOUR THONG



*Wear your thong with pride... AND WEAR IT CORRECTLY!*