

How to Use a Lucet Right-Handed Instructions

A lucet is a simple tool used for centuries to make a square braid. The size of the thread will determine the size of the cord.

- 1** Pull about 6 inches of thread through the hole of the lucet, holding it firmly in place in the back with your left hand.
- 2** Using your right hand, wrap the thread around the prongs to create a figure eight, as shown in Diagram 1. After the figure eight is wrapped, the thread should extend to the right side of the lucet.
- 3** Drop the end of the thread you are holding with your right hand and pick up the loop that it is below it on the right prong. Pull the loop up and over the extended piece of thread, as shown in Diagram 2.
- 4** Give the thread extending to the right a tug at the back, and give the left hand thread a tug at the bottom.
- 5** Turn the lucet 180 degrees counter-clockwise. Your left thumb should now be holding the 6-inch thread that extends through the front of the hole, while the right hand is holding its end of the thread out to the right of the right prong. Diagram 3 shows the lucet after it is turned.
- 6** Repeat steps 3 through 5. A cord will begin to appear as you work the thread. It will extend through the hole and descend downward. Keep going until you reach the desired length.
- 7** To finish your cord, cut the right hand thread after you complete your final turn. Thread this end down through the loop on the right prong. Lift the loop off the prong and pull on the thread until it is tight. Repeat for the left prong.

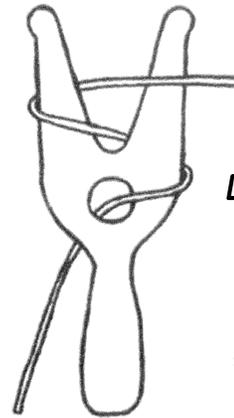


Diagram 1

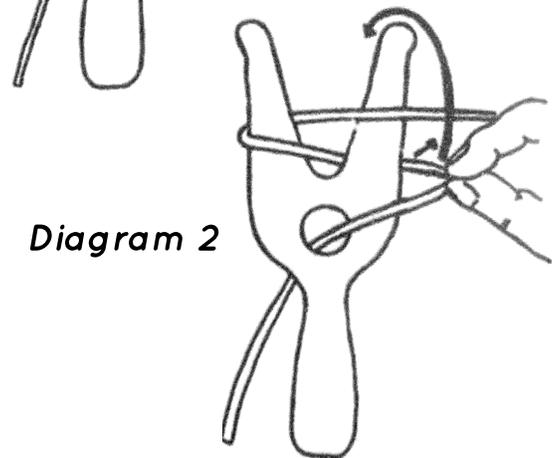


Diagram 2

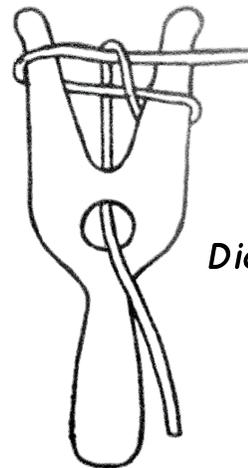


Diagram 3

How to Use a Lucet

Left-Handed Instructions

A lucet is a simple tool used for centuries to make a square braid. The size of the thread will determine the size of the cord.

- 1** Pull about 6 inches of thread through the hole of the lucet, holding it firmly in place in the back with your right hand.
- 2** Using your left hand, wrap the thread around the prongs to create a figure eight, as shown in Diagram 1. After the figure eight is wrapped, the thread should extend to the left side of the lucet.
- 3** Drop the end of the thread you are holding with your left hand and pick up the loop that it is below it on the left prong. Pull the loop up and over the extended piece of thread, as shown in Diagram 2.
- 4** Give the thread extending to the left a tug at the back, and give the right hand thread a tug at the bottom.
- 5** Turn the lucet 180 degrees clockwise. Your right thumb should now be holding the 6-inch thread that extends through the front of the hole, while the left hand is holding its end of the thread out to the left of the left prong. Diagram 3 shows the lucet after it is turned.
- 6** Repeat steps 3 through 5. A cord will begin to appear as you work the thread. It will extend through the hole and descend downward. Keep going until you reach the desired length.
- 7** To finish your cord, cut the left hand thread after you complete your final turn. Thread this end down through the loop on the left prong. Lift the loop off the prong and pull on the thread until it is tight. Repeat for the right prong.



Diagram 1

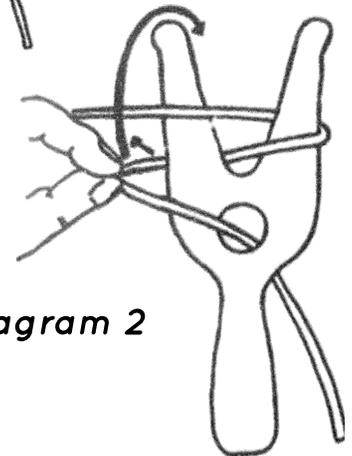


Diagram 2

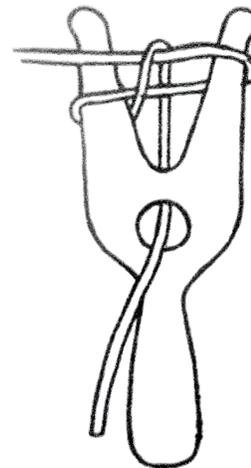


Diagram 3