TURK'S HEAD (left handed)

Probably the original neckerchief slide, the Turk's Head has a long history as a sailor's knot. They can be made from string, twine or leather lacing. It is less complicated than it looks, so be patient and follow the diagrams carefully.

1. Begin by holding your hand palm-up. Tie a loose clove hitch around two fingers, lead 'A' under 'B' as shown.

2. Now wrap 'A' around your fingers away from you and tuck it under.

3. The Turk's Head should look like this. Turn your hand palm-down to continue.

4. Now tuck 'A' over one and under one.

5. Here's how it should look. Turn your palm up for the last tuck.

6. Tuck 'A' under and along side 'B'. Begin doubling by leading 'A' along side of 'B' over and under until all turns are doubled.

7. Now lead 'B' around to make three layers. Trim the ends close on the inside of the finished Turk's Head. Snug up all your work and sew or glue the ends inside for a neat job.

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