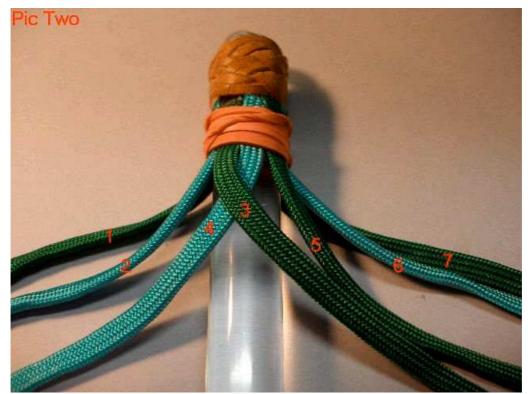
## Crocodile Ridge Round Braid Of One Ridge

The Crocodile Round Ridge Braid around an object is not as hard to tie as one might think. It does take a lot of patients though as it is not as easy to handle as a regular flat braid. It has a way of making you wish you had about 3 more fingers to help hold the strands straight.

I used a ½ round dowel for tying this knot and it was very slippery. Try to use a wooden dowel or something not so slick if you can. Seven strands are used and laid out around the dowel as shown and numbered for reference. (I used 550 Paracord with the inside strands removed)

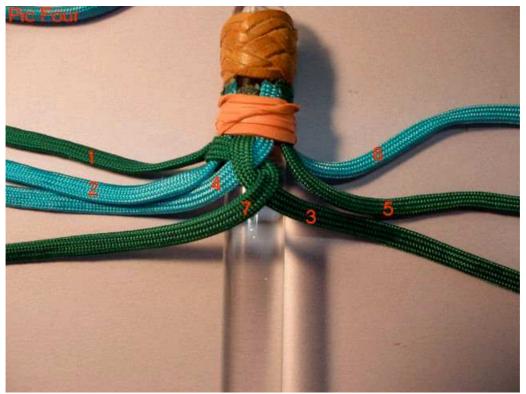




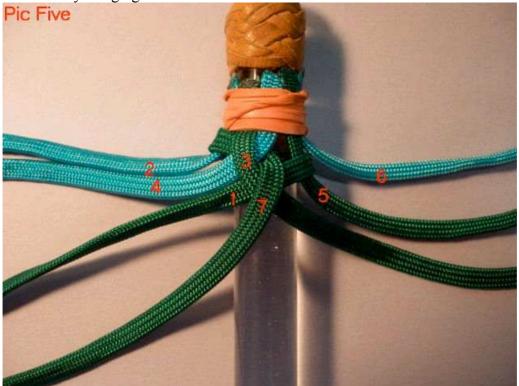
Start by crossing strand no.3 across strand no. 4



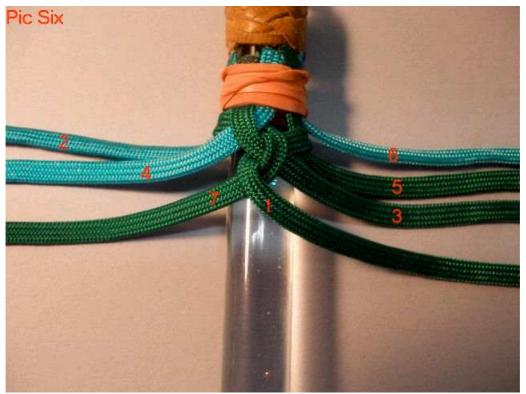
Next bring strand no.7 around behind to the left and under strand no.1, over strand no.2 and under strands no.3 and 4.



Continue by bringing strand no.7 back to the left with a ¼ turn and over strand no.3



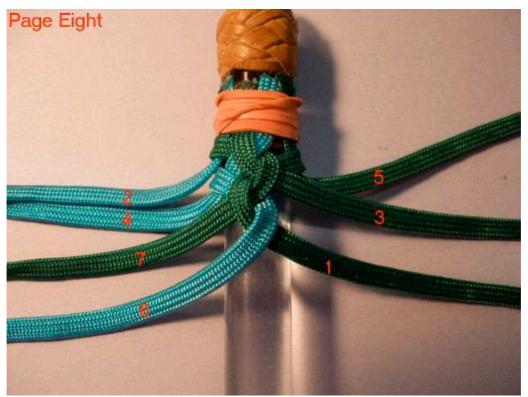
Next bring strand no.1 around behind to the right and under strand no.6 over strand no.5 and under strands no 3 and 7.



Continue by bringing strand no.1 back to the right with a ¼ turn and over strand no.7



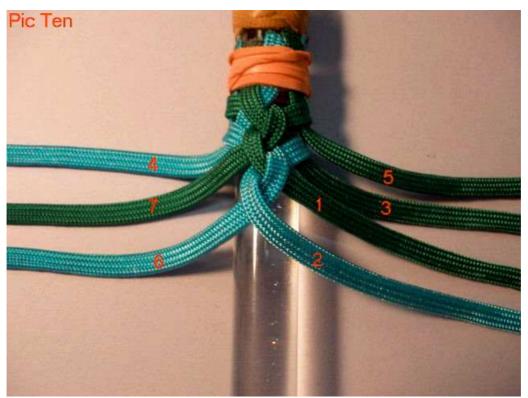
Next bring strand no.6 around behind to the left and under strand no.2, over strand no.4 and under strands no.6 and 1



Continue by bringing strand no.6 back to the left with a ¼ turn and over strand no.1.



Next bring strand no.2 around behind to the right and under strand no.5 over strand no.3 and under strands no.1 and 6.

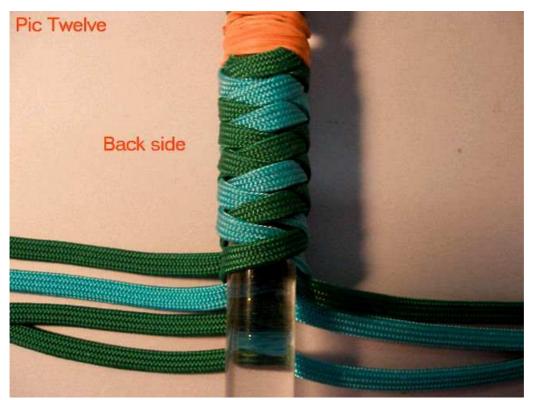


Continue by bringing strand no.2 back to the right with a ¼ turn and over strand no.6

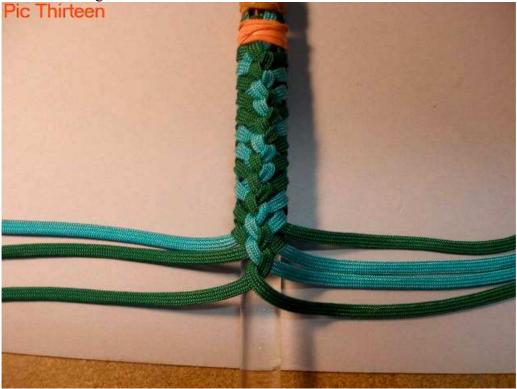


After a few rows the pattern starts to show a little better. The pattern is always formed by alternating from left to right repeating steps shown in pics 3 and 4 and pics 5 and 6.

Note: This is a simple pattern but care must be taken in dressing the braid as you go. This braid cannot to dressed after the next row is added, dressing as you go is a must.



Back side show in dressed position. You will always have to push the strands together to make it look right



The braid can be made with 2 colors or a single color. The choice is yours. You can cover the ends of the braid with cover knots of your choosing also. Keep proper tension and dress your braid as you go.



Back and sides dressed. Enjoy braiding this one, it's a beautiful braid.