

A 12-point Star Knot brooch or pendant

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Note that Don is another knotter who "reverses" his pattern making a "mirrored" image.

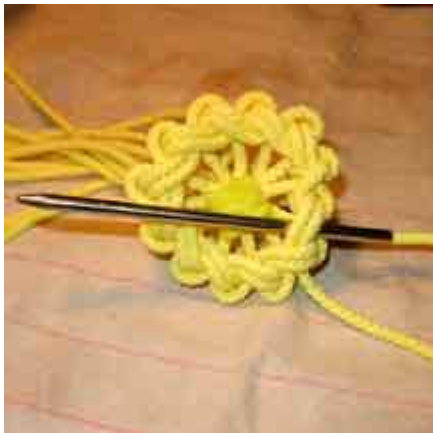
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I tied my 12 strings together and melted them together for the start of the 12 point star. I started forming the loops on the bottom side with the melted end inside of the star knot instead of normally starting with the joint of the 12 stands on the bottom of the star when completed. Be careful to adjust the loops around the center of the gathering joint evenly.



Top the loops with a simple crown knot: **NOTE** the direction of the crown in relation to the initial loops! If you go the wrong way, you've just mucked the whole thing up.



Star knot shown here with all but the last loop in place. Each strand goes CCW and under itself and down through next CCW ear loop, parallel to strand from center of ear loop. (Note that Don uses a "threading needle... these are obtainable from [MARTY COMBS' SITE](#) or you can "dope" the ends of your line with Cyanocrylate glue and clip them off at a 45 degree angle for the same effect.)



Last strand being completed as described.



Backside showing path of strand down through knot to front side, again parallel to the strand on the right side.



Carefully select each strand and pass it down through the ear loop on the **left** side of the ear that it comes from the back under. Once again parallel to the strand on the right side. You should now have 3 strands going through each ear loop. The 3 strand overlap will not be uniform if the wrong leads are not correctly used to go back down the ear loops. This can and will happen if you don't watch it carefully.



Last time through the knot from back to front. Parallel with the strand on right side



This completes the star knot. Now we are ready to start the crown sennit portion. Arrange strand in order around center of star and do 1 simple crown sennit.



Crown sennit formed in a CCW direction



First Crown completed



Now do a complex (over 2) crown sennit



Tighten the complex crown just outside of the lower sennit evenly spaced around it.



Complete second complex sennit just on the outside of 2nd sennit and tighten evenly.



Now I tuck all strands down through the ear loop to the right (CW) of the one the strand comes out of the sennit next to.



Pull all strands tight and cut flush with bottom of ear loop. Seal end with a drop of glue.

Here the choice is yours as to the fixture you put on the backside for a closure. You can use a pin bar or a jump ring and use it for a pendant necklace if desired



**Place a colored marble or gemstone of choice for decoration or leave empty.
Choices of color and cord is what ever you prefer.**



Completed Broach or Pendant





NOTE: To do the "mirrored" version of this piece, simply reverse the direction of the loops in step one and reverse the direction of all other instructions. It will feel quite awkward at first but rapidly becomes second nature.